

Tiny Tots
 Day Nursery &
 Out of School Club
 Est. 1972

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Spring Newsletter 2016

Firstly a big warm welcome to you all and to any new Families who have recently joined us at Tiny Tots.

Staff news

After 27 dedicated years at Tiny Tots our caretaker Graham has retire due to ill health .He has been a key member of our team loved by all of the staff and children and we wish him and his family all the best for the future.



Following Graham's retirement Anton Sampson has taken over the caretaker/maintenance role. Anton is a local and County Councillor and has a keen interest in the town. He has been associated with Tiny Tots for many years. He is coming up with fresh ideas for our outside areas and I am sure you will have noticed already his impact on Tiny Tots.



Welcome to Kate Manifold who recently joined us, Kate is NVQ level 3 childcare qualified and will be working in the Preschool area up until September when she will be returning to University to complete her degree in Childcare Studies.



Suncream



Please could you ensure that you have returned your completed suncream consent forms, along with the £5.00 fee if you require to use our suncream for the duration of the summer. We need these forms as a matter of urgency due to the current change in weather. Thank you

Dates for your diary

May 2nd (Mon): Tiny Tots closed for May Day Bank Holiday

May 3rd (Tue) Schools reopen- summer term (before and after school care)

May 30th (Mon): Tiny Tots closed for Bank Holiday

May 31st (Tue) – June 3rd (Fri): Schools closed for half term- Out of school open (holiday club 7.00am-6.00pm)

June 6th (Mon): Schools reopen (before and after school care)

Prince William honour for Tina

A NURSERY owner has been presented with her MBE insignia by the Duke of Cambridge.

Earlier this year, Tina Jones, aged 60, was appointed MBE for services to Childcare and Early Learning in Denbighshire after running Preststyn's Tiny Tots nursery for more than 40 years.

She recently travelled to Buckingham Palace with her two daughters, Kirsty and Kira, to pick up the award from Prince William.

Mrs Jones, a former Preststyn High School pupil and who has served on Preststyn Town Council since 2012, said: "It was a wonderful day enjoyed by all."

"Prince William was lovely, very charming. I was very nervous but he made everyone feel relaxed. We chatted for what seemed quite a while about childcare and living in Anglesey, I used to live not far from where they lived."

"After the investiture we had a tour of the Houses of Parliament and in the evening we were guests of James Davies, MP for the Vale of Clwyd, for dinner."

Mrs Jones, owner and manager of the nursery based on Mellden Road which opened in October 1972, says "thousands" of children have passed through the nursery over the years and said grandchildren of previous attendees are now being looked after.

Her daughter Kirsty, aged 26, works full time at the nursery while daughter Kira, 23, a mobile beauty therapist, also lends a hand at the family-run business.

Mrs Jones has been a National Day Nurseries Association (NDNA) Trustee for more than 20 years and is a quality assessor for the NDNA's accreditation scheme, E-3C.



Left: Tina Jones with her daughters Kirsty and Kira



Below: Tina Jones being presented with her MBE insignia by Prince William, the Duke of Cambridge

Parent questionnaire

Thank you to all who took time to respond, extremely disappointing that only 13 completed questionnaires were returned. All of your views and opinions are important to help us meet your needs as the customer, your child's needs and also strive for continual improvement.

The questionnaires we received back were entered into a draw to win a £25 Marks and Spencer. Congratulations to Benjamin Broadrick for winning!!!



The Welsh Government has developed a website to help parents build a positive, healthy relationship with their children.

The tricky moments and common behaviours covering issues such as potty and toilet training up to bed wetting; coping with a crying baby / toddler; mealtimes, shopping, bath and bed times along with tantrums and keeping your child safe from abuse. This bilingual site has a range of ideas to help parents to make decisions about what can work best for their child and family.

<http://giveitime.gov.wales>

What we have been up to

Healthy Body, Happy Me!



The NDNA Healthy body, Happy me campaign which ran from 18th- 22nd April went really well. The Toddler and Preschool children took part in lots of fun and healthy activities throughout the week. We made use of the great weather for most of the activities carried out! A huge thank you to Olivia's Nainie and mummy for coming to read us a story as part of our reflection Friday.

Eat Well, Feel Fantastic



Magic Movers



Reflection Friday



Caring for our bodies



The Great Outdoors



Out of School news

The Easter holidays were action packed!!! We managed to fit in two trips over the two weeks. On week one, we took a trip to Bodafon Farm where the children experienced den building and roasting marshmallows! We also used some of the time on the day for a trip up the Great Orme. On week two we went to Bodelwyddan Castle, we had such a great time not only on the adventure playground but also inside the Castle itself in the children's Victorian playroom. Definitely trips we will be repeating in the future!!!!

Bodelwyddan Castle

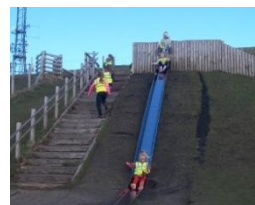


May Half term is only next week, so please could you ensure you return your child's holiday form ASAP. Thank you

Bodafon Farm



The Great Orme



May half term schedule
is ready to view!!

Prestatyn Walking Festival 2016



Blue Group and Babies



Finally

Once again please can we take this opportunity of thanking all of you who have co-operated with us by paying outstanding fees on time and, it is imperative that fees are received in sufficient time to be able to pay our staff wages. Nobody likes asking for money and we are sure nobody likes being asked for money so your co-operation avoids embarrassment and/or offence. Thank you

Thank you once again for all your support

Kind regards

Tina and team

Our next newsletter-
Summer 2016!