

Tiny Tots

Day Nursery &
Out of School Club
Est. 1972



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Spring Newsletter 2017

Hello everyone and welcome to our Spring 2017 newsletter!!!

Firstly we would like to take this opportunity in welcoming any new Families who have recently joined us at Tiny Tots.

Policies and procedures

We annually review all our nursery policies and procedures and have recently updated several. With each newsletter now we will attach a selected few for all parents/carers to keep. We would appreciate if you took the time to read through each one. Thank you

Changes to Fees

We have made a decision for all children starting part time education from this September, a reduced rate of fees will be charged to keep inline with the schools. The reduced fees will only apply during term time. Further information will be sent out nearer the time.

Staff news

Welcome to Chelsea our latest recruit. Chelsea might be familiar to some of you from when she was on a work placement with us last year. Chelsea is NVQ level 3 childcare qualified and will be working alongside Gemma in preschool.



Blue Group

Our 'Early Year's Entitlement' (Blue group) run by Sirena and Vickie will start after **Easter**.

If you would like further information regarding Blue Group please don't hesitate to ask Sirena, Vickie or Tina, who will be more than happy to help.

Funded sessions are 9:15- 11:15 Monday to Friday term time only

Sainsbury Vouchers



Sainsbury's have once again launched their Active Kids vouchers scheme for 2017 which runs through until 2nd May. We have been collecting the vouchers for many years now and can exchange them for sports and cooking equipment for the children. We will be grateful for any voucher donations please. The collecting box is situated in the conservatory.

Easter Half term



Plenty of Easter fun filled activities taking place over the Holidays for the out of school club children. A trip to The Adventure Trail in St George took place on the first week along with an Easter egg hunt and a Bake off competition. Plenty more to look forward to!



Dates for diary

May 1st (Mon): Tiny Tots closed for May Day Bank Holiday

May 2nd (Tue) Schools reopen- summer term (before and after school care)

May 29th (Mon): Tiny Tots closed for Bank Holiday

May 30th (Tue) – June 2nd (Fri): Schools closed for half term- Out of school open (holiday club 7.00am-6.00pm)

June 5th (Mon): Schools reopen (before and after school care)



E-Safety

The internet is a great place to explore, learn and have lots of fun, however, it can be dangerous if it is not used responsibly. With the ever growing popularity of social networking, sites like Facebook, Twitter and You Tube people often know more about your family than you may think. As a parent you do your best to keep your children protected in the real world but you also need to keep them safe in the virtual world.

Information and advice for parents and carers

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person it is important to ensure that they enjoy the internet safely.

The **NDNA** have set up an online E-safety briefing, this briefing is aimed at supporting individuals when accessing the internet and acts as an introduction to e-safety, best practices and how to keep safe online.

To access this free briefing through the NDNA website:

1. Log in or [create a Development Zone account](#)
2. Press the start course button
3. Enter the code **FREE** when asked for an enrolment key
4. Read through the materials and begin the briefing.



Charity events



Red nose day was on Friday 24th March 2017, the children and staff had great fun and took part in lots of exciting activities for red nose day. In total we managed to raise £ 55.00 Thank you for all your support.



Healthy body happy me

The NDNA Healthy body, Happy me campaign which ran from 27th-31st March 2017 went really well. The children took part in lots of fun and healthy activities throughout the week.

Healthy body, happy me is a national campaign which promotes the importance of healthy lifestyles for young children and aims to give children the energy for play, learning and fun. Thousands of nurseries and children take part in the campaign every year and we will continue to support the campaign for many years to come.



More Photos of the week's event can be viewed on our closed face book page and will also be on our website!

Reminders

Please can you continue to help us in the following ways:

- Please could you supply enough wet wipes and nappies for your child's day at nursery.
- Any spare clothes that have been borrowed, please could you return them as our supplies are running low. Also, if you have any spare clothes you no longer need at home and would like to donate them, we would be very grateful!
- Please could you provide appropriate nappy cream daily (labelled with your child's name on)
- On the days your child does attend, please can you ensure their 'Daily Diary' folder comes to nursery with them.
- Now that the weather has turned cold, please can you continue to bring in big coats, scarves, gloves and hats for your child as we still like to go outside when we can
- Similarly, if possible, please can you continue to provide wellies for outside play, in case it is wet or muddy outside
- Please would you be able to label all coats/ shoes to avoid any confusion at home time!

Please Could we also remind all parents who work shifts that when requesting days needed for your children to let us know in advance, preferably no later than the Thursday before.

Finally

Please may we also respectfully remind all parents of the importance of paying your childcare fees promptly each week. We have a large staff wage bill to pay each week and funds need to be cleared in our bank to enable us to pay our hardworking staff.

Thank you once again for all your support



Kind regards

Tina and team



Our Next Newsletter- Summer 2017!