## Newsletter



Hello, and welcome to our beginning of the year newsletter! As we enter our 52<sup>nd</sup> year of Tiny Tots Day Nursery we have so much to look forward to. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome the many new families that have joined us and send our thanks to the families that continue to support us.

## **Staff News**

We would like to welcome Anais to our team, she has recently joined our Toddler team.

Some of you may already know, Big Ben will be finishing with us in the coming weeks, as he is going to be working on Kira and Ben's holiday business full time. We would like to thank Ben for all his efforts within the out of school, he will be missed! Kira is now going to be running the out of school and 'Kira's Explorers', which we know she will do a fantastic job of alongside Ange. Kira has worked in the out of school for several years, and is Playworker and forest school qualified.

Several staff recently attended a Makaton and communication course. Makaton is based on British Sign Language and is the UK's leading programme for helping children and adults with learning or communication difficulties. Makaton is a language programme that combines signs, symbols, and speech to give different options for children and adults to communicate. It is an extremely flexible tool and can be personalised to individual needs and used at a level that is suitable for them.





Tina and Kirsty recently attended a Designated Safeguarding Lead course, over a two-day period. The aim of the course is to ensure that everyone at Tiny Tots is confident in following best safeguarding and child protection practices. Tina and Vickie are the Designated leads for the nursery and out of school, if you feel you need to raise a safeguarding concern of any nature, we are always here if you need to speak to one of



us.

We recently replaced one of our cars with a new people carrier!



Preschool are busy creating Welsh floor books, celebrating all the wonderful places we have visited in Wales! A message has been sent on blossom, but if you would like to send some pictures over of your child visiting anywhere in Wales, we would love to add it to our books.



We have a wonderful bear known as Tiny Ted at nursery, he goes home with the older children in Preschool at the weekend. We love sharing what adventures Tiny Ted has been up to during together time, the following week. As Tiny Ted is so popular at nursery, we have introduced Ticw to the younger Preschool children and Seren to Toddlers and Tweenies. These bears will also be sent home for the weekend, and we cannot wait to see what they get up to!







Seren

## Dates for your diary-



- Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> February is school half term (Some parents and carers have been contacted via Blossom regarding funding). Funded sessions will recommence week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> February.
- St David's Day- 1st March (Friday). If your child wishes too, they can attend nursery in something the colour red, green, yellow or white, or anything Wales themed.
- World Book Day- 7<sup>th</sup> March (Thursday). We will have themed activities throughout the
  day and welcome your child to come dressed up as something from their favourite story,
  all children regardless of if they are attending this day, will be issued with a book token
  to use at participating stores.

(Please do not feel pressured to buy specific clothing for the events).



