

Tiggers



NEWS

Welcome back

We will be focusing this half term on 'Favourite Stories. Please encourage your child to bring an item in for show & tell for either the TOPIC OR LETTER of the week (nothing of value & named please), or if you as a parent or carer wishes to talk to the children about a special celebration then please let us know you are always very welcome

Allergies

We are aware that some of the children that attend the pre-school suffer from allergies. We are asking parents not to provide your child with any nuts or chocolate products in your child's lunch box, thank you. Please provide your child with a variety of healthy foods in their lunch box, could we also ask No sweets! & don't forget an ice block! Thank you

Illness!


Please remember we have a strict policy of 48 hours from the last instance of any sickness and/or diarrhoea, this may be due to virus, cold, cough etc. the policy of 48 hours applies to all cases. Could you also make sure your contact details are up to date and the numbers are relevant. There has been occasions where we have tried to contact/left messages for parents because their child is unwell and no one has returned our call, leaving staff to care for them at pre-school. Our policy also includes that we DO NOT administer infant paracetamol or any other non-prescription medicine at pre-school, if you have administered any medicine before pre-school, please inform a staff member so this can be noted.

Our staff are also susceptible to illness and if we cannot meet staff/child ratios due to staff illness, we would have to close the pre-school. **Please remember if your child is unwell they should not be at pre-school.**

Staff Changes

We would like to welcome Sue Wright as the new Deputy Manager. Shelley will be working with us on Wednesday and Friday mornings, Marie will be doing an additional session on a Tuesday Morning.

Name Them, Name Them, Name Them!

Please name everything your child brings into playgroup, bags, coats,  lunch boxes etc, as you would be surprised how many children do have the same items. Please remember to send you child with a waterproof coat that has a hood and sensible footwear.

Keep up to date

Website
<http://www.turnditchanddistrictplaygroup.co.uk/>
Facebook
www.facebook.com/groups/turnditchanddistrictplaygroup/

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday in January
To, Holly is 4! Matilda is 3!
In February
To Charlotte is 4!



Parents Information

There is a lot of information on the table and notice board in the foyer, pre-school policies, staff/committee information, what we are planning for snack, activities for the children, ideas to support your child's learning at home, please take time to read. We also have the parent rota if anyone would like to volunteer their time? Thankyou

Fees

Please may we ask all fees are paid within the half-term they are issued.

If any issues arise please speak to a member of staff in confidence. We rely on our fees and funding to pay staff wages, insurance, rent etc.

Activities at Home

Ideal time of year to use up those empty boxes for junk modelling, get creative, cars, houses, ships etc. Singing songs/rhymes, especially counting, count and pair socks in the laundry. Play 'I Spy' using the letter sounds 'a' is for 'apple', 'angle', astronaut', etc.

Continue to help children to be independent, washing, drying hands, putting on coats, shoes etc.

Pre-school Tables and Chairs

We have previously asked for a donation of people who hire the hall for parties to use our tables and chairs.

Unfortunately, people have not had the courtesy to contact us and have used them regardless. This has resulted in three of our tables being damaged from people trying to force the legs down, instead of shutting them properly, snapping the leg. Again they have not having the courtesy to let us know of the damage, causing a health and safety issue for both staff and children at the setting, at a total cost of £360 to replace the tables. The tables will now be chained up and our store room locked. If you or anyone you know wishes to borrow our tables/chairs, they will now have to contact us directly so we know who they are and can be held responsible if any damage is caused.

Half Term Overview

Week	03/01	10/01	17/01	24/01	31/01	07/02
Letter	u	l	f	b	j	z
Theme	Stickman	The Lazy Ladybird	Gruffalo	Bear Hunt	Monkey Puzzle	Squash and a Squeeze

Term dates

Spring Term 1

Tuesday 3rd January – Friday 10th February

Spring Term 2

Tuesday 21st February – Friday 7th April

Summer term 1

Tuesday 25th April – Friday 26th June

Summer Term 2

Tuesday 6th June – Friday 21st July

Inset Days

Friday 26th May

Friday 7th July

One inset day yet to be confirmed