



Tiggers News

We would like to welcome everyone back after the summer break.

We will be focusing this half term on 'My House'.

We are at the start of another fantastic year here at preschool. We are hoping the playground is in the throes of being developed (October), thank you to Kim (Georgie's mummy) for applying and pulling together all the grants needed to take on the project for the village hall committee for the benefit of preschool and the community.



Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday in October to Deian is 3! Hallie is 3!

School Leavers

Everyone at Preschool would like to wish all the children going into reception class, good luck, have a fantastic time in your new setting.

AGM – Wednesday 28th June

Thank you to those people who attended the AGM and pledged their support to the preschool committee.

Laura Casbolt (Sophia and Jackson's mummy) will be our chairperson, thank you Laura.

We also have some new people joining the committee, this will happen when all the relevant checks have been completed.

We would like to thank Shaun and Heather who are both stepping down from the committee for their dedication and work for the preschool over the years.

The committee is responsible for: managing the setting's finances; employing and managing the staff; making sure that the setting has, and works to, policies that help it to provide a high-quality service; and making sure that the setting works in partnership with the children's parents.

The committee is an essential and statutory part of running the pre-school, without a committee in place your child's pre-school would have to close its doors.

The committee consists of: Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, plus other supporting persons.

These four people are the bare bones of the committee, there are always extra people needed for fundraising, publicity, and general extra duties. The committee help us to maintain our pre-school and all it works for, to provide our children with a happy and safe place to begin their education in. If you are interested in joining the committee, please speak to a staff member, thank you.

ADHOC Sessions

We will always try and accommodate any sessions parents wish their child to attend, although this may not always be available due to various reasons. Could we please ask for at least 48 hours' notice if you wish your child to attend extra sessions, as we may need to adjust our staffing ratios. If your request is made out of preschool hours by email, we will get back to you at our earliest opportunity. We will always try and accommodate children in an emergency at short notice. Thank you.

Illness

Please remember it is 48 hrs from the last instance of diarrhoea or sickness before your child can return to preschool. For any illness requiring antibiotics our policy is 24 hrs from the first dose and your child is well enough to attend before your child returns to preschool. We ask you do not send your child to preschool if they are unwell, and please do tell us if they have been given any childhood paracetamol or similar when you drop off your child at preschool, thank you.

Drop Off

We do feel that when parents drop off their children in the mornings at the door the process has been less traumatic for the children, and they do settle better into the morning session. But we do miss the interaction with parents, please feel free to let the staff member on the door know that you would like to accompany your child into the setting to drop them off, it will be lovely to see you.

30 Hour Codes

For those parents claiming 30 hours funding, please remember to re-confirm your codes when asked to.

The cut off dates for claiming the 30 hours are:
August 31st to be eligible for Autumn Term
December 31st to be eligible for Spring Term
March 31st to be eligible for Summer Term.
Please remember to renew your codes!

Childcare Choices

Can you get help with your childcare costs?
<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/> Is a website set up by the government which brings all your options to one website.

Name Them, Name Them, Name Them!

What to bring and NOT bring with you.

Please name everything your child brings into preschool, bags, coats, lunch boxes etc, as you would be surprised how many children do have the same items.

Wipes, nappies, nappy sacks if needed, spare clothes are a must.

Appropriate Coats etc

Please dress your child for the weather, a water proof coat, hat, sun cream (named please).

Please no crocs or flipflops as these are a trip hazard in the playground!

Encourage your child's independence skills by providing them with clothes, shoes etc. for small hands/fingers, for example jogging bottoms/leggings when toilet training, Velcro/zips on fastenings. Children need time to practise their independence, please encourage this at home, Thank you.

Lunch

Please provide your child with a variety of healthy foods in their lunch box, drink, please peel oranges etc.

Please do not provide any sweets or nut products, in your child's lunch box, & do not forget an ice block! Thank you

Allergies – As we ask on our registration forms, please keep us up to date with any allergies or intolerances your child may have.

Learning at Home

'Hungry little Minds' is a website set up by the government to provide ideas on how parents can help in their child's learning at home. There are also recommendations of some free, fun, educational apps for you to engage in with your child.

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

Following on from this the BBC launched a website 'Tiny Happy People' to help you at home develop your child's communication skills, explore simple activities, play ideas, and find out about your child's amazing early development.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

Keep up to date:

Website

<http://www.turnditchanddistrictplaygroup.co.uk/>

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/turnditchpreschool/>

WhatsApp If you wish to join our parents WhatsApp group, please drop us an email and we will send you a direct link.

Term Dates 2023 – 2024

Autumn Term 1 2023 – September 5th – 27th
October (8 Weeks)

Autumn Term 2 2023 – November 7th – 22nd
December (7 weeks)

Spring Term 1 2024 – January 9th – February 16th
(6 weeks)

Spring Term 2 2024 – February 27th – 28th March
(5 weeks)

Summer Term 1 2024 – April 16th – 24th May (6 weeks)

Summer Term 2 2024 – June 4th – 23rd July (7 weeks)

Inset days

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

We have a further 3 Inset days to set.

Inset days are closed to all children.

Dates for your diary

Christmas party December 22nd, 11.45am – 1.45pm (times to be confirmed)

Half Term Overview				
Week	Letter	Theme	Role Play	Snacks
5 th September	s	My House	Home corner	Yogurts biscuits
12 th	a	Bathroom	Baby clinic	Crumpets raisins
19 th	t	kitchen	Café	Toast yogurts
26 th	i	Garden	Garden centre	Fruit biscuits
3 rd October	p	My bedroom	Tents, books, toys, games	Breadsticks and cheese raisins
10 th	n	Garage	Garage workshop	Bagels and cream cheese biscuits
17 th	ck	utility	Laundry	Pancakes cereal
14 th	e	Lounge/office	office	Yogurts Fresh fruit