

Tiddly Winks Newsletter

June 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the June Newsletter, and as always, a warm greetings to the new families who have joined us recently. We have had another busy month at the nursery, starting with celebrating King Charles' Coronation! We also enjoyed a visit from 'Slow Farah' the tortoise and joining in lots of fun activities in aid of 'Dinosaur day!' Later in June, we will be celebrating Healthy Eating Week, making lots of healthy treats and learning all about which foods are good for our body and give us lots of energy.

To find out more, please read on...

All the best,
Louise & Georgia

Kings Coronation

The children had a wonderful time celebrating King Charles' coronation. We created some fantastic 'invitations to play' in keeping with the theme and we hosted a tea party for in our garden. The children enjoyed eating finger sandwiches and a tasty fruit salad.

Afterwards, we played party games and danced to music with our friends. We hope you all liked the commemorative medal gifted to your child to remember this historic event.

5***** EHO visit

We are so proud of have achieved another 5 ***** rating in our surprise Environmental Health Officer visit. The officer inspected our kitchen and commented on how well organised and clean it was, as well as praising the procedures in place to ensure the food prepared and cooked on site is both safe and nutritious!

This wouldn't be possible without our wonderful chef, Ali. We are so grateful for everything you do!

3-year-old funding

We have been advised that the parameters in which we can claim the 15 and 30 hours funding will be changing. We are currently liaising with Surrey County Council's funding team and other local nurseries to establish exactly what these changes will mean for us and we will update all of you currently claiming and due to claim in September 2023 shortly.

Preschool graduation party

Our school leavers should all have received their invitations to our annual Preschool graduation party which we are excited to host on Friday 14th July from 3-5pm.

If you have not done so already, please remember to RSVP to the office!

Father's Day breakfast to go

Dear Dads!

Please pop by the office to collect 'breakfast to go' bag on Friday 16th June 2023 in celebration of Father's Day and all the wonderful things you do!

Dates for the diary

W/C 12th-16th June - Health Eating Week

Friday 16th June - Father's Day breakfast 'to go'

Wednesday 21st June - International yoga day

Wednesday 21st June - World music day

28th June-2nd July - Eid al-hada

Wednesday 28th June - Mud pie day

Parent messages

Availability - We are humbled to be at almost full capacity until September 2024. With this in mind, if you are expecting any new arrivals that you would like to join the nursery before then, or you plan to increase your child's sessions with us, please let us know so you can join the waiting list asap.

DSL - Your nursery Designated Safeguarding Lead's are Louise and Georgia. We would like to share with you our confidential email address to forward any safeguarding concerns you may have - dsl@tiddly-winks-nursery.co.uk



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Staff updates

We hope you will join us in wishing the best of luck to **Katie F** who has accepted a nanny position closer to her home in Coulsdon. Katie joined us two years ago making Tiddly Winks was her first childcare and education role. Judging by how many children's hearts she has stolen over the years, it's safe to say she has truly found her calling and she is going to be so missed by all of us! Katie's last day is Friday 16th June.

Please also join us in saying goodbye to the lovely **Danielle** who will be leaving us in June. Danielle is leaving childcare and hopes to spend more time with her two daughters. Since joining us last year, Danielle has been a breath of fresh air and we are going to miss her smiley face and bubbly personality around the nursery. Danielle's last day is Friday 23rd June.

We are very excited to be welcoming back **Sarah** after her maternity leave. Sarah has had an amazing first year with her son Cody, who will also be joining Tiddly Winks and we cannot wait to have her back with us! Sarah will be based in the Juniper room.

We are also very, very pleased to share with you that **Jade H** and **Chelsea** will be re-joining Tiddly Winks! They are both long-standing Tiddly Winks staff members who left us for another local nursery closer to both of their homes to ease the commute with small children of their own but have reached the conclusion that Tiddly Winks is their home and we are, of course, welcoming them back with open arms! Jade H will be re-joining us in June and Chelsea will be back in September.

Dish of the month - Red lentil bake

Ingredients

- 200g red lentils
- 1 red pepper
- 100g reduced fat Cheddar cheese
- Small bunch parsley
- 1 egg
- 2 x 15ml spoon (2 tablespoons) low fat plain yogurt
- Black pepper



Method

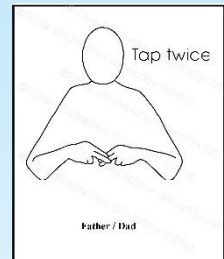
1. Preheat/reheat the oven to 180°C, gas mark 4.
2. Boil the lentils until cooked, about 15 minutes.
3. Drain the lentils.
4. Prepare the ingredients:
 - deseed and finely chop the pepper;
 - grate the cheese;
 - chop the parsley;
 - crack the egg into a bowl and beat.
5. Mix all the ingredients together and pour into a non-stick baking dish.
6. Bake for 40-45 minutes, until golden.

Policy of the month

Our policy folder is available in the front entrance for all parents and visitors to look through.

In addition, this month, we will be refreshing ourselves with our '**Transitions**' policy which is attached to this newsletter.

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