



March 2016 Newsletter

Recent news at Kiddywinks

Thank you for your patience while the outdoor area has been out of use. The decking is being removed as was causing a safety hazard for the children. This should be completed in time for Easter!

A reminder about the recommend a friend offer of £50 Love2Shop vouchers. Please tell your friends about Kiddywinks! One of our parents has recommended us so will be receiving their vouchers very soon!

Safety Notices

Parents may have read in the recent press about the safety around grapes. We are checking any packed lunches for grapes and making sure that they are cut properly. They need to be cut length ways to avoid choking.

We have also been informed by Calderdale Council about dead batteries in toys especially the small round ones. Please remove batteries from toys if batteries are dead as these can still cause harm to a child if swallowed.

Reminder of closing time

As we have low numbers at the moment, and we very rarely have parents that need us to be open until 6.00pm, we have decided to temporarily close at 5.30pm. However if any parent needs the nursery to be open for work reasons, please speak to Joanne on these occasions and we will stay open until 6.00pm.

Parent Meetings

At Kiddywinks we will continue to aim to get parents involved with their child's progress. Once again, we would like to introduce the parents meeting option. If you do not have time when collecting your child to speak to the Key Person then please arrange another time which can be done via Skype also if that is easier.

Please speak to Jo for further information.

Diary Dates

- 22nd February 2016 – Start of Term for EEF
- 23rd March 2016 – Last day of term for EEF
- 18th March 2016 – Sports Relief! (Charity day)
- 24th March 2016 – Nursery Closed for Staff Training Day
- 11th April 2016 – Start of Term for EEF
- 2nd May 2016 – Closed for May Bank Holiday
- 27th May 2016 – Last day of term for EEF
- 6th June 2016 – Start of term for EEF
- 17th/18th June – Den Day! (Charity day)
- 26th July 2016 – Last day of EEF

18th March 2016 is Sports Relief day which is in partnership with Comic Relief.

17th/18th June 2016 – is Den Day where you get everyone in your nursery to build a den for Save the Children

Attendance EEF Children

Parents may not be aware but the Early Education Funding that you receive is monitored very closely by the council. There needs to be reasonable attendance to retain the funding.

If you feel you cannot commit to the 15 hours, please speak to Jo and this can be reduced as necessary or start/finish times adjusted.

Please remember to let nursery know by 10am if your child is not going to be attending nursery, this helps us organise lunch and also stops disappointments from other children who may be waiting to go for a walk or trip outside.

Please work with us and be on time. Thank you

Staff Changes

We had to let our apprentice go at the end of February but we are in the process of looking for a replacement.

Thank you for your patience during this time.