



# Little Einstein Nurseries Perth



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## Stay and Play

A HUGE Thank you to all the parents who came along to the nursery stay and play. The staff really appreciate you being so involved and in particular the lovely feedback and suggestions that were offered. We want this to be your centre, so the more involved and the more you tell us what you want, the more we will aim to meet the requests.

Each room had a mixture of activities to take part in, ranging from water, sand, art & crafts, singing, stories as well as some particularly messy experiences. Well done to the mums and dads that rolled up their sleeves and dive right in.

## Change in the weather.....

We would like to remind parents that despite the weather

## Parking

Could we kindly ask parents to be mindful when entering and leaving the car park. Please ensure that you travel at a safe speed and in particular during the darker periods of the day.

We would also ask that music be kept to a minimum as the louder sounds have been upsetting not only neighbours but the younger children leaving the centre.

In addition, please could parents refrain from parking in the area around the nursery garden gate. This area is in use throughout the day and is the only exit for the nursery in the event of a fire evacuation which could take place at any time.

Your support with this matter is greatly appreciated.



we do aim to get the children outdoors as much as possible. Please could we ask that all children are brought to nursery with appropriate clothing to support outdoor play? We aim to allow the children access to outdoors a minimum of twice per day. Please ensure that items are clearly named. Could we also ask for appropriate footwear to be kept at the nursery wherever possible? Slippers or indoors shoes are encouraged. The nursery has a limited supply and would ask that in extremes of temperatures, parents aim to supply hats, gloves and scarves.

Please remember we welcome feedback and suggestions from parents and service users regarding what we offer. If you would like to make a comment, or suggestion please feel free to contact us on; Tel: 01738 626 700

E-mail: [perth@littleinsteinsnurseries.co.uk](mailto:perth@littleinsteinsnurseries.co.uk)

Or in person to a staff member or management. Our office door is always open.

## HOLIDAYS

If you are planning to take holidays throughout the year, we would kindly request you inform the nursery at your earliest convenience. This allows us time to plan and arrange time for staff to spend with their families.

We would ask that all details are passed to the nursery in writing, an e-mail is also welcome. You can contact us at [perth@littleinsteinsnurseries.co.uk](mailto:perth@littleinsteinsnurseries.co.uk)

If you have any queries, please let us know.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**FEBRUARY** – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – ZOO LAB will be attending to help the children celebrate Chinese New Year. Children that do not attend on this day are welcome to come along, we would ask that you notify the office.

**MARCH** – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> – BRAIN TUMOUR CHARITY. We will be holding our annual fundraiser for our nominated charity on the 24<sup>th</sup>. It is 'wear a hat' day. Children will be encouraged to wear any hat they like and pay a £1 donation. We will hold a bake sale on the day.

**APRIL** W/C 18.04 STAY AND PLAY. During this week you are encouraged to come along and join us for a stay and play session. This involves coming along and taking part in planned activities in your child's playroom. Times available are 10-11.30, 2.30-4. If you are interested, please speak to a member of staff from your child's playroom.

**MAY** – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – PARENTS EVENING. You will be offered the opportunity to come along to the nursery and discuss your child's progress in the centre.

**JUNE** – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – PRESCHOOL GRADUATION. Parents and family members are welcome to come along and join us in celebrating the successes of our school leavers.

**JULY** – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> - SPORTS DAY (2-5yr age group). We will hold our annual sports day for the 2-5 age group. Parents & family members welcome to come along.

## Staff changes

This month we say a fond farewell to two of our members of staff.

Rachel Begbie – has decided that it is time for a change. She will leave us on 23.02.16 to take up an EYP position with a nursery closer to home. Similarly, Joanne Drummond will leave us on 24.02.16 to take up a position with a nursery closer to home.

On a positive note, David Melville will complete his qualification with the nursery and join us as an Early Years Practitioner. We wish David well with future challenges. We have a new member of staff joining the team. Hannah Duncan will join the centre as a Modern Apprentice. Once her PVG has returned we will introduce you.



The nursery will be celebrating Chinese New Year with a number of activities. These will include arts & crafts, tasting sessions as well as musical activities. Please speak to your child's playroom for details. On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> we will have a visit from zoo lab. Children that are not in attendance are welcome to come along. Please let us know.

# Policy & Procedures

This month we are continuing to highlight our Infection Control policy & Medication policy in order to better assist parents. A copy is attached to this newsletter for details. We would draw parent's attention specifically to the section detailing 'Unwell children'.

We would ask all parents, if your child is unwell please consider the following points before bringing them to nursery;

- Are they well enough to cope with the day?
- Are you or someone suitable available within a 1hr period, should your child need to come home?
- Have they had a bout of sickness or diarrhoea?

**IF SO THEY MUST NOT ATTEND NURSERY FOR 48HRS FROM THE LAST BOUT**

- If they require medication, it must be supplied following our medication policy (attached to this newsletter)
- **Medication must be supplied in the original container, with box and instruction leaflet** and be signed in prior to each occasion of use.

The nursery will in each case make the decision regarding when to send a child home due to being unwell. When there are cases which will result in exclusion from nursery from known illness, parents will be contacted in the first instance for exclusion. If you would like to ask questions or make suggestion, please feel free to contact us.