













Tickton Pre-school and Play Pals,

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## **TICKTON PRE-SCHOOL & PLAY PALS - NEWSLETTER OCT 2018**

Welcome to all our new families and children, and welcome back to our old hands x.

Please could parents let staff know what pre-school sessions you would like for JAN 2019 (some families will be entitled to 30 Hour funding / 15 Hours funding and / or two-year funding. Please talk to your key worker about this at any time. Please register for your 30-hour funding and tax-free childcare on the following website - www.childcarechoices.gov.uk



3x DAYS	10 hour days (7:30am - 5:30pm)	30Hours per week
4x DAYS	7.5 hour days (8:30am - 4pm)	30Hours per week
4x DAYS	7.5 hour days (8am - 3:30pm)	30Hours per week
4x DAYS	7.5 hour days (9:30am - 5pm)	30Hours per week
5X DAYS	6 hour days (9:15am - 3:15am)	30Hours per week

We are offering parents new blocks of care to choose from with their 30H (if you would like to change to any of the options offered please speak to your key worker.

All parents should have received a paper copy of Tickton Pre-school term dates, these can also be found online at: <a href="https://www.ticktonpreschool.co.uk">www.ticktonpreschool.co.uk</a>

**Parents Coffee Morning.** 

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> OCT 9:15 – 10:30am

All parents, families and friends welcome.

Please find attached parent information regarding how to support and encourage writing/mark-making and next steps. We hope you find this information useful.

We are kindly asking for donations of vegetable plants, seeds and/or sensory plants such as lavender, herbs etc. for our outdoor classroom/garden area. It will soon be ready to plant for spring/summer. If any parents would like to get involved in this, we welcome your help and input.

Our planning framework has been added to our website www.ticktonpreschool.co.uk.

Children's core books/songs and rhymes have been re-planned, if you would like a copy of this please ask your key worker at any time. Parents are welcome to stay at pre-school and read with their children at any time.

Please can parents make sure that children have changing bags with spare clothes, wipes and nappies in as required. At Tickton pre-school we do a large amount of water play, sand, mud play and gardening. We do provide all-in-one suits, but it is best for children to be dressed in old clothes that can be easily washed and don't cause upset if dirty.

Just a reminder that you are free to take your child's profile home at any time. You will also be receiving a summative assessment (a summary of your child's development in December) – if you have any questions regarding this record your key person is happy to discuss at any point (face to face or via the telephone if this is more convenient).

<u>Save the date</u> – the children's <u>Christmas singing performances</u> will take place on MON 17<sup>th</sup> DEC and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> DEC (9:15am - 10:15am). Tickets and further information to follow after October half term.

We are asking kindly for parents to save junk modelling for pre-school (egg boxes/ kitchen roll tubes, small boxes, buttons, bottle tops, clean cartons).

We are current having a lot of food waste at lunch times, just a gentle reminder that children's tummies are small and to please monitor portion sizes in pack up lunches. We do provide health snacks during the day for children as recommended by 'Eat Better, Start Better' (www.eatbetterstartbetter.co.uk).

We aim to support your child and you as a family as much as possible, if you wish to discuss any issues please feel free to talk to us or call us at any time.