



TOTS AND SCHOLARS NURSERY AND PRE-SCHOOL

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Dear TAS parents and carers,

We are ready for another fanTAStic month of learning, exploring and discovering! Both staff and children have been settling well with the new transition from TAS Elstree over to TAS Sullivan Way. The children have been enjoying exploring the new setting and are making wonderful relationships with their new peers. We have now introduced new names for our rooms at Sullivan Way. 2+ is now 'Bumblebee Room' and 3+ will remain as 'Butterfly Room'. We are looking forward to lots of fun filled activities with our TAS Family! Thank you to all the children and parents for their partnership, warm, welcomes and support during this transition.

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

Children's Art Week



At the end of June we started to explore Children's Art Week (commencing 29th June) and are continuing this through until the **6th July**. Art can be therapeutic and a way to express ones self and we feel that it is important to allow the children to be able to take full advantage of this. From different types of art for example sculptures, paintings, photography architecture, contemporary and many more. We are so excited to dive into this fun filled week of such a wide range of art and allowing the children to showcase their artistic skills in ways that they desire!

Independence Day



The children will have the opportunity to have an 'Independence Day' party at the settings. Children will be free to dress up in their favourite party outfits and come together to celebrate this historical day for the USA. We will discuss what independence means for all of us as individuals, create and design our own fireworks displays.

TAS Sports Day



Get your water bottles and sports gear ready as we are preparing for our annual TAS Sports Day! We will be encouraging the children to take part in the activities such as obstacle courses. Please see times, dates and locations for the following settings:

19th July:

- TAS Elstree & Sullivan Way - Butterfly & Bumblebee Room @ **9:30am** (park behind Sullivan Way)
- TAS Elstree Caterpillar Room @ **4pm** (park behind Sullivan Way)

20th July:

- Shenley Butterfly Room @ **9:30am** (Shenley carpark)
- Shenley Caterpillar Room @ **4pm** (Shenley carpark)

Graduation



We are delighted to be hosting Graduation for the children (TAS Sullivan Way) that are getting ready to spread their butterfly wings and fly off to their new adventure to Reception school. We know that this is a special time for both children and parents as your little one takes the next steps in this wonderful adventure of their childhood. We will be holding this on **Friday 21st July @ 10:30am**. *PLEASE NOTE*: The children that have transitioned from TAS Elstree to Sullivan Way will be celebrating their graduation, as previously arranged on **Thursday 10th August**. Shenley graduation will be held on **Friday 11th August** (times to be confirmed closer to the date).

NEWSLETTER

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Dates for your calendar

- **3rd-6th July** - Children's Art Week
- **4th July** - Independence Day
- **19th July** - TAS Sports Day - Elstree & Sullivan Way
- **20th July** - TAS Sports Day - Shenley
- **21st July** - TAS Sullivan Way - Graduation- (Existing Fairytales Children)
- **10th August** - Graduation - TAS Sullivan Way
- **11th August** - Graduation - Shenley
- **25th September** - Inset Day - Nurseries Closed

Safeguarding at TAS

One of the ways in which we make sure your child is safe is by implementing our responsibility to take all necessary steps to ensure the safety and welfare of all the children in our care in line with the procedures laid out by our local Safeguarding Partnership ("LSP").

TAS Designated Safeguarding Lead is Vanda and secondary is Demi.

During the day you can reach them on the nursery landline and out of hours in case of an emergency you can reach Vanda on 07983154372 and Demi on 07501218646.

In an emergency, contact the Police Child Abuse Investigation Team or dial 999.

Police Child Abuse Investigation Team
020 8733 5070.

Reminders for parents

- **Please ensure you are sending sufficient nappies and wipes for your child.**
- Can we kindly remind you that if a child gets sick during nursery hours please make arrangements to collect them as soon as possible.
- Please make sure your child has **spare labelled clothes** at all times.
- **Labelling** - All children's spare clothing and school uniform **MUST** be labelled, to avoid confusion in the cloakroom.
- **Please like and follow our new Facebook Page!** You can find us by searching **@totsandscholarsnursery**.
- **Show and Tell Days! Every Wednesday** your child can bring a toy from home. Please ensure toys are labelled as children will be encouraged to take turns and share them.

PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS POLICY

At Tots and Scholars Nursery we believe that children benefit most from early year's education and care when parents and settings work together in partnership. Our aim is to support parents as their children's first and most important educators by involving them in their children's education and in the full life of our setting.

We also aim to support parents in their own continuing education and personal development. In order to fulfil these aims, we:

- Are committed to on-going dialogue with parents to improve our knowledge of the children's needs and to support their families;
- Inform all parents about how the setting is run and its policies through access to written information and through regular informal communication. We check to ensure parents understand the information that is given to them.
- Encourage and support parents to play an active part in their child's learning and development at the nursery.
- Inform all parents on a regular basis about their children's progress;
- Involve parents in the shared record keeping about their children - either formally or informally - and ensure parents have access to their children's written developmental records;
- Provide opportunities for parents to contribute their own skills, knowledge and interests to the activities of the setting;
- Inform parents about relevant conferences, workshops and training;
- Provide information about opportunities to be involved in the setting in ways that are accessible to parents with basic skills needs, or those for whom English is an additional language;
- Hold meetings in venues that are accessible and appropriate for all;
- Welcome the contributions of parents, in whatever form these may take;
- Inform all parents of the systems for registering queries, complaints or suggestions and check to ensure these are understood. All parents have access to our written complaints procedure;
- Provide opportunities for parents to learn about the curriculum offered in the setting and about young children's learning, in the setting and at home. In compliance with National Standard 12, the following documentation is in place:
- Admissions policy; complaints procedure; record of complaints; and activities provided for children.

PROCEDURES

POLICIES

ACTIVITIES FOR HOME

Create a masterpiece! - Natural World

As we will be exploring all things artistic for Children's Art Week, we would like the children to create a piece of art work and incorporate natural resources into this. Your little ones could create their own self-portrait, a mosaic, a pretty picture of a place they love, using resources from the natural world. Things such as leaves, sticks, grass, flower petals, stems, stones etc can be used in such vast ways to create extraordinary unique pieces of art. Let your imagination run wild and be free to let your creativity spill out onto the paper!



Thank you and have a wonderful month ahead!