



Tynecastle Nursery School

where learning through play is valued, success is recognised
and a positive attitude to learning is nurtured

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New nursery— thank you all very much for your excellent support and positive feedback at the start of our journey to settle in to our new nursery. We are all delighted with the new environment and we are looking forward to developing and growing learning opportunities for every child as we move forward. It will, of course, take a little time for us to work on practical issues that may arise. Please let us know immediately if you notice anything at all that may need to be resolved.

Please help us by ensuring that the front door closes behind you as you enter or leave the building. As always, it is really important that the safety of the children is top of our list of priorities. The door release button at the front door should be used by adults only. Please don't allow your child to learn how to use this important button. We need to be sure that children cannot exit without an adult.

Home times —we are very keen to develop a sense of community for parents, carers, grandparents and visitors as well. There is now enough space for you to wait inside the building and have a chance to meet others while you are waiting.

In the morning please collect from 11.20am. All children should be away by 11.40am.
In the afternoon please collect from 4.10am. All children should be away by 4.30pm.

The staff will open the play room door for collection when the story or songs are finished for the day. If you need to collect early for any reason please let a member of staff know.

Communication—there is a delay with our ICT connections so please accept our apologies if some of our communications take a little longer than usual. Please continue to contact us by telephone on 0131 337 5461. Calls are being temporarily diverted to a mobile phone number.

Hallowe'en - we will celebrate Hallowe'en in nursery by focusing on pumpkins and non-scary activities. It is very important for every child that nursery remains a warm, friendly, safe place to be. Please do not bring any masks, dressing up costumes or painted faces in to nursery.

Primary 1 Open Day, Wednesday 31 October—all primary schools within City of Edinburgh Council will be holding an Open Day on Wednesday 31 October so that you can visit your local school/schools. This will be of particular interest to families with a child who is due to start primary school in August 2019. (Children born between 1 March 2014 and 28 February 2015.) We have some information about local schools for your interest. Please see the poster in the nursery corridor or the attachment with this Headline.

For your interest, primary school registration will take place from 5 to 9 November 2018. You will receive information from City of Edinburgh Council regarding your named catchment school for registration and details of the information that you will be required to take along with you. Each school has dates and times when you can attend. Please see Mrs Brown if you have any questions.

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Helping in the garden, Thursday 1 November— we are looking for help from a group of parents, carers or family members to join us to plant spring bulbs with children. This will take place at the start of the morning and afternoon sessions.

Helping in the garden, Tuesday 6 November—we are looking for help from a group of parents, carers or family members to join us to replant shrubs and flowers with the children.

There will be other opportunities to help in the garden in the coming weeks.

Remember – your thoughts, ideas and feelings are very important to us. Is there anything else we have missed? Please help us by passing on your comments about any aspect of nursery life. We are here for you. Let us know immediately if we can help you or your child in any way.

Dates to remember

November

Tues 20 Individual Photographs

December

Fri 21—last day at nursery

January

Mon 7—staff return

Tues 8—children return