

# Iver Community Childcare



**Newsletter for Parents, Carers and Staff**

**Summer Term 2**

## Dear Parents and carers

The end of the year is fast approaching and we have lots of bits and pieces to fit in before July. Every child will receive an end of year report and this is passed on to the next setting for those children who are leaving. We also have parents meetings to organise, stay and play mornings and the leavers ceremony and party. Please make a note of the dates in your diary.

Stay and Play morning **9am-10am** – all parents/carers are invited to attend with their child during their normal session on either **Monday the 24th of June or Thursday 27th June**.

Leavers ceremony and party will take place on the **18th July** with parents welcome to attend at **2.00** for the presentation of certificates (about 1/2 an hour). A list of party food required will go up the week before.

The last day of term for **funded** children is **Friday 19th July**, after which funding stops until the start of the new term in September. If you are on a term time only contract but will need childcare over the summer please send your bookings now to [admin@ivercommunity.org](mailto:admin@ivercommunity.org) as places fill up fast.

Parents meetings will take place in the 2nd week of July on **Tuesday the 9th July** for parents wishing to speak to **Janet and Lisa** and **Wednesday the 10th July** for parents wishing to speak to **Charmaine or Clare**. Please book an appointment between **5pm and 6:30pm**. **Baby room parents** – please arrange a suitable date and time with Sandra.

Reports will go out at the end of the first week in July.

We have a lot of very young children in this year's cohort so although we are having a sports day, we aren't inviting parents. Please understand this is for the benefit of the children and to make the event fun because we always have a few who find it difficult to join in if their parents are watching.

Finally photos for the tomato growing competition need to be uploaded to [www.flowerland.co.uk](http://www.flowerland.co.uk) by **Monday 8th July**. Please upload a photo if you can as there is £250 worth of garden centre vouchers to be won by your family and a further £250 of plants will be given to the nursery the winner attends. If one of the nursery children wins this will be amazing and we may even be able to purchase a fruit tree or two for the nursery garden.

Pumpkin plants donated by Flowerland Garden Centre will be coming home during the last week of term.

Our thanks go out to Flowerland who are donating a tomato plant and a pumpkin plant for every child and who also helped out with compost and pots for the other growing activities we have undertaken this term.

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#### **THINGS TO REMEMBER**

##### **Please do:**

Remember to pay your child's fees by the 10th of the month. We would appreciate your co-operation and if you have any difficulties with this arrangement please contact Jacquie in our admin team on 01753 654546.

Don't forget that you can pay your fees by bank transfer using the details below.

Sort Code: 09 01 51 Acct  
No: 59224187

Please use your child's full name as a reference—thank you!

Label everything! We have lots of children at the settings and we can't always remember which coat or water bottle your child brought in that morning, so please label everything but particularly coats, lunch boxes and water bottles.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

There are no funded sessions during the summer holidays 20th July to 8th Sept. All sessions attended during the holiday must be paid in full and booked in advance. Please note if you are moving settings in the first few weeks of the Autumn term any sessions attended at Tiny Toes must be paid in full as funding will be paid to the new setting.

#### **Hot weather and heat waves**

Please make sure children have sun cream applied to exposed skin before they arrive at the nursery. Please avoid off the shoulder or strappy sleeves as they don't give enough sun protection for a child's shoulders. We will top up sun screen during the day. A donation of £2 per child will allow us to stock up on communal bottles of sunscreen, alternatively please bring in labelled sun cream for your child. We have air conditioning in the nursery for the hottest days. But please bear in mind that we will still have chilly rainy days so keep water-proofs and wellies at the nursery too.

#### **Funding for the Autumn term**

If your child has their third birthday before the 31st August they will be eligible for the 15hrs free funding next term. In order to claim this we need you to complete a short form and bring in a passport/birth certificate for us to see.

If you are in work, you may also be able to claim an additional 15 hrs to bring the total free hours a week in term time up to 30. In order to claim this, apply online via the 'Childcare Choices' website and fill in a form with us for the extended hours. We have limited spaces for 30hrs funding.

We also have places for children using 2 year funding. Please apply for this online and bring in the letter confirming eligibility.

#### **Job opportunities at Tiny Toes**

We currently have a vacancy for a full time level 3 practitioner. Please enquire for further details.

#### **Fee increase for Autumn 2019**

**There will be a small fee increase from September 2019 to reflect rising costs. Details to follow.**

#### **Help to pay for consumables.**

Government funding for free funded hours does not cover the cost of consumables such as snacks and tissues etc. From September we will be asking parents to help with the cost of these by making a small half termly payment. This is likely to be £30/ half term for those using 15 hrs funding and £60 for those using 30 hr funding.— equivalent of 31p/hr.