#### WELCOME

Welcome to our first newsletter of the year at Amblecote T4T's. We hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year and are ready for a new and exciting year ahead.

Welcome to all our new children and their parents/carers.

Please look out for notices on the T4T'S noticeboard.

We have a fun filled year ahead of us with lots of exciting activities and play-based learning to take part in, please go to www.amblecote.dudley.sch.uk to see weekly overviews, policies, Newsletters and letters. T4T'S comes under the tab "Information"

T4T'S telephone number is 01384 818372

# THANK-YOU

T4T'S staff would like to thank you for your time and support in the opening of this new provision, home visits and play and stays were very successful and we are now into our first week at T4T'S.

We are all so excited to get going now and I am sure you will all agree we need to thank Mrs. Perigo, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Mason and the care committee for their hard work and determination in setting up this fantastic opportunity for the small children and families of Amblecote.

#### STAFF

Eve Bradley-Full time member of staff and Red Groups Key Person Chantelle Allen- Full time member of staff and Blue Groups Key Person Sophie Dunn- fulltime member of staff.

During each session your child will go into their Family group. They will sit for a short time with their Key Person and peers to talk about the day, read a story and take part in a small rhythm and rhyme activity.

Eve Bradley has responsibility for Safeguarding and Child Protection and Special Educational Needs within the setting.

Sophie Dunn is responsible for Health and Safety

Chantelle Allen is Equal Opportunities, Cultural and Diversity coordinator.

### PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Children will be taking part in a variety of physical activities during each daily session and will also be given opportunities to use bikes and scooters. They will also have opportunities to go on the field, therefore could we please ask that you bring in a pair of wellies with their name on for outdoor play.





### PARENT NOTICE BOARD

We hope you find the parents Notice Board informative. There will be a weekly activity sheet displayed on the board and an overview of activities on the whiteboard outside the mobile. Any special events, home links and visitors etc. will be displayed here also. We also write a daily evaluation of the session for parents to see on the whiteboard situated outside the T4T'S mobile.

If parents/carers have any suggestions about what they would like to see on the Notice Board or any questions please see Eve.

### TOPIC

Our planning of activities come from the children's current interests, we will also base activities this month around Settling In, Me and My Family and Nursery Rhymes.



### RHYME AND STORYOF THE WEEK

Every week we will be looking at a different story and rhyme. This will be displayed on the welcome board weekly.

## T4T'S FUND

We ask for a weekly contribution of £1.00, this will provide cooking ingredients, resources and equipment for enhanced activities the children access. Contributions of fruit and vegetables are also accepted.

### WOW CARDS

To promote our home-school links we have introduced our WOW CARDS. If your child has progressed and made you go WOW! E.g. counting, able to put on their coat etc. we would love to hear about it. WOW cards will be available for you to write on and bring back to us where they will be displayed and then put into your child's learning journeys. We will also use the cards during the session so they can

share the wow moments we see, with you.

### SUITABLE CLOTHING

May we remind parents/carers that children access a wide variety of activities during the session and need to be dressed in suitable clothes, shoes and to bring a coat as the children are accessing the outdoor area.

We would like to remind you to ensure your children clothes, coats, bags, hats, scarves and gloves are clearly labeled.

## Wanted items

We are a new provision, so as you can all understand we are low on a few things. Things we need that you could bring in if they are no longer wanted are;

- Spare clothes (girls and boys size 2-3 years)
- Outdoor toys
- Indoor toys
- Old pots, pans, spoons etc.

### **REMINDERS**

- **WOW** cards are available from the basket by the welcome board inside the T4T'S mobile door for you to write on and bring back to us where they will be displayed and then put into your child's Learning Journeys.
- A weekly activity sheet is displayed on the welcome board that will inform you of the
  proposed activities for the week; this will include any special events, home links,
  visitors and the rhyme and sound of the week. Letters you may have missed will be
  located here also.
- We ask for a weekly contribution of £1.00, this will provide cooking ingredients, snacks and resources and equipment for enhanced activities the children access. Alternatively we accept fruit and vegetables to serve at snack time.
- Children will need to bring a water bottle with their name on for a drink throughout the session, water and milk is available snack time.

### DIARY DATES

- Wed  $6^{th}$  Jan-Parent and Toddler starts in mobile @ 1.20 this is £2 a session and runs weekly.
- Parents Meetings- Blue group- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February

  Red group- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February
- -Fri 12th Feb- Break up for Half Term
- -Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb-T4T'S re-opens
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb rattle and rhyme session with the librarian.

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