



Lillian de Lissa Nursery School

Parent Newsletter - February 2024

A message from the Head Teacher

Mrs Sally Appadu – Head Teacher’s Welcome

This half term has really flown by! The new children have settled in well and our returners have been excellent role models to the new children. This week the children have been so busy learning about Chinese New Year, making pancakes and thinking about numbers. This month, you will see that its Mrs Shahida Suliman on the newsletter. She has worked at Lillian de Lissa Nursery School for 17 years and knows all our families really well. Please remember that we break up for half term today.

We are back at nursery on Monday 19th February 2024.



Poems

The children have been given the opportunity to write their own poems. These poems have been sent to “Young Writers”.

If we win then the poems will be published in a book. Let’s keep our fingers crossed for our children.

Safeguarding is everyone’s

If you are concerned about the welfare of a child, please speak to a member of staff. You can find our updated policies including our safeguarding and child protection policy on the Nursery school website

<https://lilliandelissa.sch.life/>

Keeping children safe is everyone’s responsibility



If you need help accessing foodbanks, support with finances, counselling, parent courses we can help. Early Help is made up of many agencies working together to support families.

We can make an **Early Help Referral** on your behalf. If you need a family support worker, contact the team at **Doddington Green Childrens centre on 0121 477 6440**

Meet our staff




Mrs Shahida Suliman

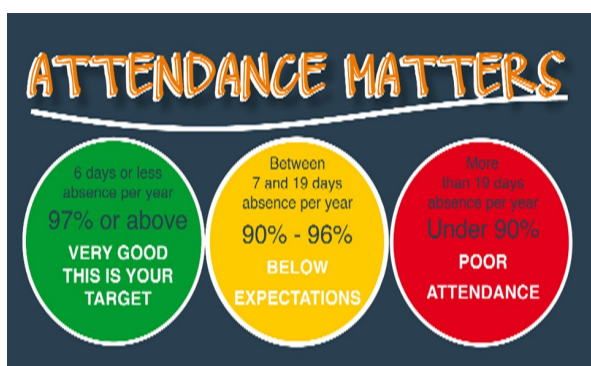
Mrs Suliman has worked at Lillian de Lissa for 17 years! Wow! She thoroughly enjoys working at Lillian de Lissa. The team are very supportive and she has got to know many families over the years. She has learnt a great deal over the time she has worked here and enjoys developing her knowledge. Mrs Suliman is always learning!

TWO-YEAR-OLD FUNDING for parents

The Department for Education has announced that applications are open for eligible working parents of two-year-olds to receive 15 hours funded childcare. NDNA has put together a quick step guide for parents, explaining exactly what you need to know.

- 1 MAKE SURE YOU ARE ELIGIBLE**
Check that you are eligible to receive the 15 hours funded childcare on the Government website: <https://www.gov.uk/check-eligible-free-childcare-if-youre-working>
- 2 HAVE THE RIGHT INFORMATION TO HAND**
You will need your National Insurance number, the date you started or are due to start work, details for any support or benefits you receive and the UK birth certificate number (if you have one) for your child.
- 3 APPLY ONLINE**
Complete the online application on the Government website: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-childcare-if-youre-working>
- 4 RECEIVE YOUR APPROVALS DECISION**
It can take up to seven days for you to receive your decision. Sometimes you may find out straight away.
- 5 DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE**
Applications are open from now until 31 March. If you miss the deadline, or don't receive your code by 31 March, you won't be able to start using the new entitlements from 1 April.

 ndna.org.uk/parents



Whilst we understand that children are unwell sometimes, it is also important for us to encourage good attendance at Nursery.

Research shows that children with high attendance in Nursery start primary school with better learning outcomes and high levels of school readiness.

If your child is ill or will be absent from Nursery, contact the us on 0121 675 3421

Nursery is open Monday to Friday 8:45am—3:00pm



Nursery fees

Additional hours

Half Day (8:45-11:30) - £18.00

Full Day (8:45-3:00) - £36.00

Wednesday am or pm session - £20.35 (including lunch)

Two and half days - £90.00

Two and half days with lunch - £97.05

Afterschool Provision

3:00-4:00 - £10.00

Please note parents who are late collecting their child will be charged a fee of £15 per 10mins until collected*

In accordance with the schools Debt policy, please ensure all payments for fees are made in advance.



SCHOOL FUND

We ask for a voluntary contribution of £2 per week for fulltime children or £1 per week for part time children. This is used to provide daily fruit or cooking ingredients, Christmas gifts, party supplies and school trips.

Important Dates

School breaks up for February half term on Friday 9th February 2024

February half term- Monday 12th February- Friday 16th February 2024

Return to school on Monday 19th February 2024

Storyteller in on Wednesday 28th February 2024

Literacy Week Monday 4th March 2024- Friday 8th March 2024

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March 2024

School breaks up for Easter holidays on Thursday 21st March 2024

School Inset training day- Friday 22nd March 2024

Easter Holidays- Monday 25th March 2024- Friday 5th April 2024

Return to school on Monday 8th April 2024

School closed for Election voting day on Thursday 2nd May 2024

Break up for May half term on Friday 24th May 2024

May half term- Monday 27th May 2024- Friday 31st May 2024

Return to school on Monday 3rd June 2024

Break up for the summer holidays on Friday 26th July 2024

Fill out a form at reception to see if you are eligible.

*Children attending the two year old provision are not entitled to free school meals under government guidelines.



Subject to eligibility and availability.

2, 3 and 4 year old funded places available here.

Have you accessed a funded places for your 2,3 or 4 year old? To find out if you are eligible, speak to a member of the admin team who can help you to apply.

Childcare Choices

Supporting families with childcare costs

childcarechoices.gov.uk



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