



# Lillian de Lissa Nursery School

## Parent Newsletter - March 2024

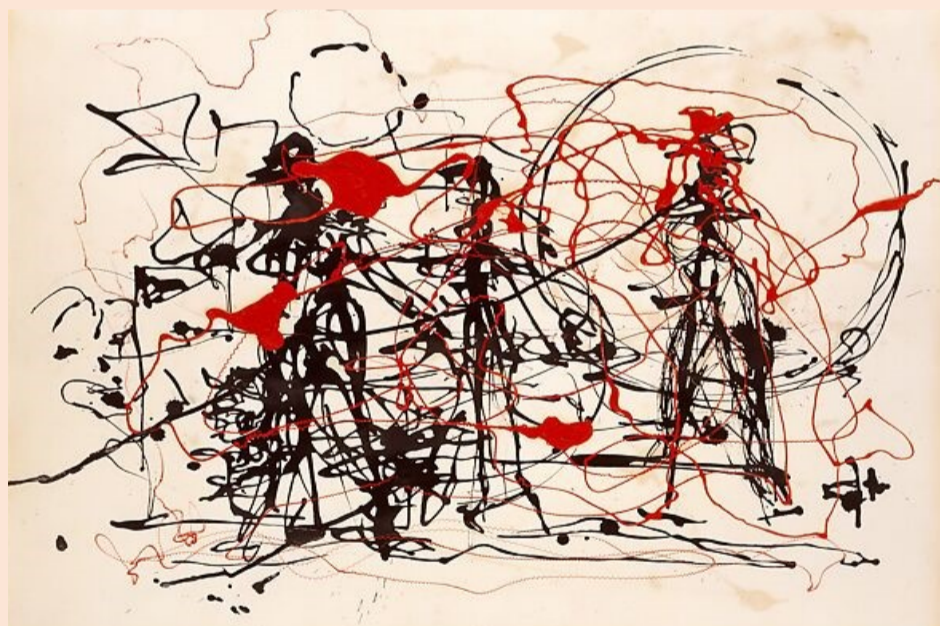
### A message from the Head Teacher



This half term continues to fly by before our eyes! It has been Literacy Week this week and the children have thoroughly enjoyed making books, dressing up and discussing our favourite book characters. This month, you will see that its Miss Lesley Swain on the newsletter. She has worked at Lillian de Lissa Nursery School for over 20 years and knows all our families really well. Please remember that we break up for the Easter Holidays early as we have an Inset teacher training day on Friday 22nd March. We return back to school on Monday 8th April 2024

The children have been introduced to artwork by Jackson Pollock over the past few weeks. Next week, the children will be creating their own artwork using his techniques.

There will be an opportunity for parents to purchase the artwork on a T-shirt for the cost of £4.00. If you would like to purchase this, please make your payment at the front office.



### SCHOOL WHEELBARROW COMPETITION – “Around the World in 30 Barrows”

The Nursery have received their free wheelbarrow and children will begin planting their flowers and plants in preparation for the Gardeners World Live.



If you have any ideas for what we can plant, please share this with your child and Nursery.

### 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/>



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.

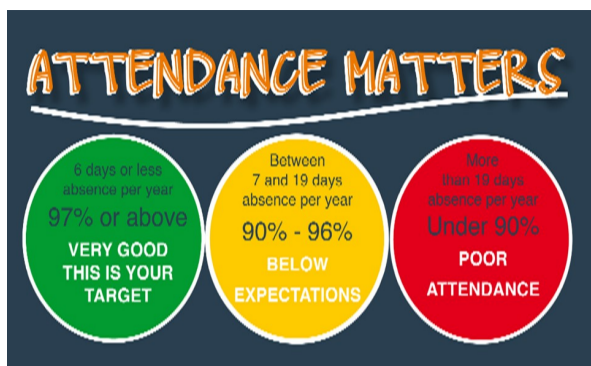
We can make an **Early Help Referral** on your behalf. If you need a family support worker, contact the team at **Doddington Green Childrens centre on 0121 477 6440**

### Miss Lesley Swain

Miss Lesley Swain has worked at Lillian de Lissa, for over 20 years, as a play worker and lunchtime



supervisor. She has supported children with their outdoor learning experiences. During her time at the Nursery, Lesley has develop good relationships with the families within the community.



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



**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.

**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.**

**Important Dates**

Easter raffle prizes will be announced- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

School breaks up for Easter holidays on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March

School Inset training day- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Easter Holidays- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April

School closed for Election voting day on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Storyteller Parent Workshop- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Storyteller Parent Workshop- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Break up for May half term on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

May half term- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

Return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Storyteller visits the children- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Break up for the summer holidays on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July



Childcare  
**Choices**

Supporting families  
with childcare costs



Subject to eligibility and availability.

childcarechoices.gov.uk

HM Government

**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.**

**50 things to do before you're five**

Ages 0-4

A menu of fun, affordable ideas for play and learning with your 0-4 year old. Get daily inspiration from these simple and engaging activities that preschoolers love!

Download the Before You're Five mobile app using the following links:

GET IT ON Google Play

Download on the App Store

50 Things To Do seeks to help every child reach important health, learning, and wellbeing milestones, by providing 50 low or no cost. ideas for play, to the people who care for them.

Download the app and start exploring free and fun activities with your child.

**Free School Meals**

Are you entitled?

**Food Allergy Warning**

Please be aware, we care for children with severe allergies and ask that you do not enter our Nursery with drinks or food from outside the setting.

**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.