

July 2025

Rebecca Cheetham Nursery and Children's Centre NEWSLETTER



Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to our final newsletter of the academic year! What a busy and productive year we have had. We have seen much growth in our nursery, your children have been making some excellent progress and development during their time with us and a wonderful Ofsted Inspection outcome really topped off a wonderful year.

BASIC FIRST AID FOR PARENTS and TRANSITION PARENT FORUM

We ran both of these sessions in the last couple of weeks and as much as we were super enthusiastic, we didn't have a very good turn out for them both. In any case, we can lead you to our Transition section on our website which has lots of information for you and a video we created to help parents with transitions.

<https://www.rebeccacheetham.newham.sch.uk/page/?title=Transitions&pid=56>

LEAVER'S CEREMONIES

We are offering Leaver's Ceremonies for all three classrooms. These events are open only for the parents/carers of children who are leaving us for Primary School in September. You are welcome to bring who you like but we ask that a limit of two people per family is allowed only. As always, you are welcome to take photos and videos for your memories but they are not to be posted on social media, especially images of children that are not yours that you do not have permission to post about.

The children and staff teams have been working very hard to bring this together for you and I'm sure many a tear will be shed as we say goodbye to our wonderful leaver's cohort of 24/25.

DONALDSON ROOM - TUESDAY 8th JULY 10:30am—11:30am & 2:00pm—3:00pm

JEFFERS ROOM - WEDNESDAY 9th JULY 10:30am—11:30am & 2:00pm—3:00pm

COOKE ROOM - THURSDAY 10th JULY 10:30am—11:30am ONLY

SPORTS DAY

We had a wonderful, albeit slightly hot, day for our Sports Day and we were so thrilled with such a fabulous turn out of parents to cheer on our children and to participate in some hotly contested parent/carer races at the end. It is really important for us to promote the physical development of our students and we are really proud of all the opportunities we can give your children to be active; alongside the sports day we have been able to offer your children bike lessons, gymnastics lessons and a huge amount of free space for children to be able to run, kick, throw or catch a ball or even dance. As always, thank you so much for joining us for these events; the children love having you here to support them!

Nursery Opening Times

Extended day
8:00am to 5:00pm
Or
8:00am to 6:00pm

30 Hours
8:45am to 2:45pm

Morning place
8:45am to 11:45pm

Afternoon place
12:45pm to 3:45pm

Charges apply for
late collections.

Attendance and Punctuality

We take attendance and punctuality very seriously and it is proven that constant absence can be a major disruption to your child's development.

Research has shown that attending early years education and care can help to improve children's outcomes and narrow the gap associated with socio-economic disadvantage. <http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/impact-nursery-attendance-childrens-outcomes>

If your child will not be attending nursery, it is essential you contact us



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FIESTA FUN DAY—THANK YOU!

We are so pleased to have been able to offer our families and the community another amazing Fiesta Fun Day. We were blessed with some wonderful weather which is always the biggest worry when you run events of this size! The Rebecca Cheetham team and host of volunteers and staff from London Borough of Newham, including the Family Hubs were all in full force, helping ensure the event was a fantastic success. We hope you took away some wonderful memories from the day; we always look back fondly on our carnival days and although exhausted, we are so happy to have given our community a wonderful and culturally enriching day.

GRADUATION PHOTOS

Every year we take photos of our leaving children in the traditional graduation gown and hat (well, most of the children, if they are keen to do it) as a fun way to say goodbye to their nursery years as they embark on their new adventures in primary school. If we organized a professional outside photographer to take the shots, the photo packs could cost in excess of £40/£50 and we think that's too much to ask of our parents. Our photos are taken by Chris, our site supervisor, who is also a professional photographer so the quality is excellent, however the price we charge is super low. **You can order one photograph for £5 (of your choosing) or £10 for all the photos taken.** We think this represents excellent value. We don't print any of the images out and we will send you the image files via email which will then allow you to print out as many as you like and whatever size you like.

HEALTHY SCHOOL STREETS

We are currently being considered for the Healthy School Street Scheme which will make a huge impact on the heavy congestion and the pollution caused by idling cars as families journey to and from nursery. Healthy School Streets are roads that have timed access restrictions for most motor vehicles at school start and finish times. This makes it safer and easier for children and their families to walk, cycle or scoot to school.

The key aims of Healthy School Streets schemes include:

- Improving road safety near schools
- Encouraging more children to have an active journey to school
- Reducing traffic congestion at the school gates
- Improving air quality outside schools

By 2026, the Newham Borough want to create Healthy School Streets for all schools in the borough, where it is feasible.

We will inform you when we have further information.



Residents of West Ham Ward

Are you interested on the issues and crime rate that happens in your area?

Why not come along to the next ward Panel Meeting where you can hear updates from your local Police Team and Councillors to see how these are being tackled. The panel would also like to hear from you with any issues you are currently experiencing.



West Ham Ward Panel Meeting

Thursday 17th July 2025

From 6 – 8pm

Stratford Methodist Church

Bryant Street

E15 4RU

PARENT WORKSHOP

Toilet Training
Tuesday 15th July
9:15am—10:30am

Join our Family Support team to gather ideas on how to support your child to transition to nappies to the toilet.

NEW ACTIVITY CALENDAR

July—Sept Activity Programme is out now

To access it please go to the Rebecca Cheetham website, or Facebook Twitter page

SUMMER HALF TERM PROGRAMME
OUT NOW

BABY FEEDING CAFE

Need support
with Breastfeeding?
@ Rebecca Cheetham

Every Monday
10:00am-12:00pm

Newham Baby Feeding

HEALTH VISITOR DROP IN

Come along and speak
with a Health Visitor about
your child's Health and
Development.

Thursday 3rd July 2025
1:30pm-2:00pm

IMPORTANT DATES

TUESDAY 22nd JULY— Staff Inset Day

WEDNESDAY 23rd July—5th August
Summer closure

MONDAY 25th August—
BANK HOLIDAY

FREE BAGS TO BORROW

Do you know about our
LEARNING BAGS and **BABY SENSORY BAGS**?

Do you know that you can use them
for **FREE**?

To find out more, please ask to speak
to a member of the Children's Centre
Team who will be happy to tell you

Important dates to remember

July

Tuesday 8th July

Leaver's Ceremony - Donaldson Room

Wednesday 9th July

Leaver's Ceremony- Jeffers Room

Thursday 10th July

Leaver's Ceremony - Cooke Room

Monday 14th July - Friday 18th July

Parent Consultations (specific times and dates will be sent to you separately)

Wednesday 16th July

Summer Party (for the children during their nursery session)

Monday 21st July

Last day of school for government funded children

Tuesday 22nd July

INSET DAY - Nursery and Children's Centre closed to all children and families

Wednesday 23rd July - Tuesday 5th August

Whole School and Children's Centre closure

August

Wednesday 6th August

Nursery open for fee paying children / Children's Centre services running

Monday 25th August

Bank Holiday - Nursery and Children's Centre closed for all

September

Monday 1st September

INSET DAY - Nursery and Children's Centre closed to all children and families

Tuesday 2nd September

INSET DAY - Nursery and Children's Centre closed to all children and families

