## March 2020

## Rebecca Cheetham Nursery NEWSLETTER

#### A warm welcome to our March Newsletter

Dear parents/carers,

We have had a wonderful result so far with our **Bushfire Appeal**; the figure currently stands at **£166.71** from our Pyjama Day. Thank you so much for your contributions and for making the effort to bring your children in to

nursery in pyjamas! Our final fundraising push is to **Sponsor 500 metres of a 21km** (Half Marathon) run being completed by Rohan, the Head Teacher. Currently, we have 4kms of contributions so we still have a long way to go. If you want to see the Head Teacher run, every

**5kms costs £5**. You are welcome to form a group to sponsor the 500 metres if £5 is too much to donate. We value your support and will let you know when the run will happen in the very near future! Speak to the front office team for more details!

#### We have our next *Parent Forum* workshop on **Thursday 12th March 2020** on

*Maths*. This is a great opportunity to find out what we do at Rebecca Cheetham to support your child's maths learning and alter your ideas about what a maths curriculum might look like. Make sure you sign in at the front office to reserve your space. Sessions will be running at **9am** and **12.45pm**.

World Book Day is a day that really resonates with us all here at Rebecca Cheetham Nursery and Children's Centre, as **reading** is at the heart of everything that we do. Our

#### World Book Day Costume Parade

will take place at All Saints Church on **Thurs**day 5th March 2020 at 10.30am

**and 2.15pm**. You are all welcome to join us on the day. Remember that for the first time this year we will be offering up our training



and again at 12.45pm.

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We would love for our parents to get involved throughout next week in the lead up to World Book Day and come and read to the children. We encourage everyone to read, regardless of the language you want to read in. If you have some books in your home language, please bring them in to read to the children. Just let the class teacher know you will be coming in and on what day so we can prepare for your arrival. Please join us if you can!

## We were so thrilled to host our second annual *School of Family*—

**Valentine's Day** event. We had in excess of 232 people attend and the feedback we received was really wonderful. We love seeing the children create / make / play with their special adults and we urge you to consider joining us at future events. We currently have photos from the day playing on our monitor in the foyer; lovely reminders of a special day.

#### We have opened our **Annual Parent/** Carer Survey for the 2019—

**2020** school year. Please take a few moments to fill in the survey; we really do appreciate it! Please check your text messages (apologies that we can only send to one mobile phone per family) for the link. Alternatively, you can type the following into your internet browser:

#### www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/

#### rc1920

If you require any help with this, please let us know in the front office.

#### <u>Nursery</u> Opening Times

Extended day 8.00am to 5.50pm

Morning place 8.45am to 11.45am

Afternoon place 12.30pm to 3.30pm

Charges apply for late collections.

Attendance and Punctuality NURSERY TOTAL:

91.1%

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

If your child will not be attending nursery, it is essential you contact us on the day and fill in an absence slip on their return to nursery.

We reward children who have 100% attendance at the end of each month. Will your child's name be featured on our poster?

Our 100% attendance children can be found further in the newsletter. We are excited at the great number of children who achieved 100%!

Book prizes are given at the end of the academic year to those children who have fantastic attendance results. NEW

#### Rebecca Cheetham Nursery Children's Centre

#### **MOVE IT TO MUSIC**

At Abbey Lane

A fun and interactive session for Mum's, Dad's, Carers and family members! Get active through music and dance for children over 12 months.

#### Every Thursday (Term time only) 10am—11am

#### **Book Start Packs**

Do you have a child under 12 months old? Are you yet to receive your FREE Books Start Pack? Come along to any of our Children's Centre sessions with your Red Health Book and collect free books today!



#### Here, There & Everywhere

Join us for fun and educational visits to a range of different locations with your under 5's, Mum's, Dad's and other family members! Learn ways to travel to different places in our locality.

#### Mudchute Farm: Friday 20th March 2020 10am—12pm

Spaces remain so please secure your place via the front office today or call us on 0208 534 3136

Don't forget to bring your Newham Children's Centre Cards to every session. **Please note:** 2 proof of address is required for new registrations



#### **Upcoming Parent Workshops**

Secure a space now at the front office for our upcoming Toilet Training Workshop!



#### A Hug in a Mug / Clothing Exchange

Our next Coffee Morning will be taking place on Wednesday 4th March 2020.

Grab a warm drink in a relaxed, friendly environment meeting other families in our Stratford and West Ham Community Neighbourhood.

Our **Clothing Exchange** will run alongside this and was a huge success last month will almost all clothing items finding a new home. Join us and grab yourself a FREEBIE!

We continue to accept donations of nearly new / good condition clean clothes via the front office.

Coffee Morning—8:45am—9:45am Clothing Exchange—8:45am and 3:30pm







#### Page 3 **Keeping Ourselves Healthy**



With so much in the media surrounding coronavirus it is important for us to reflect and think about how we help to prevent ourselves from getting any kind of contagious virus.

Washing your hands is an easy preventative step and it's surprising to know that even if we think we might be washing our hands properly and thoroughly, we may not be doing a good-enough job. We have included this link to the NHS that shows us exactly how to wash our hands. Please take a moment to familiarise yourselves and help your children to learn how to wash their hands thoroughly. We will also be doing the same thing with the children at the nursery.

Wet hands

with water

Rub palm to palm with

fingers interlaced

#### www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/

Please also make sure you follow the guidance offered below regarding sneezing and coughing.

We can do a lot to help keep ourselves healthy and if our children see us being vigilant in regards to this then they will want to follow our lead.

# Germs spread easily. Always carry

tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.



Hand-washing technique

with soap and water

Apply enough soap to cover all hand surfaces



Rub with back of fingers to opposing palms with fingers interlocked

Rub each thumb clasped

in opposite hand using a rotational movement

Rub hands palm

to palm



Rub back of each hand

with palm of other hand

with fingers interlaced

Rub tips of fingers in opposite palm in a circula





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Dry thoroughly with

NHS



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Hand washing should take 15–30 seconds National Patien Safety Agency

#### Children who achieved 100% attendance

Gabriella	Natalia-Maria	Mustafa	Saeem
Leila	Delia	Tereza	Lianaya
Talya	Athena	Zion	Annabelle
Martha	Zayaan	Osirus	Cairo W
Sabiha	Ozan	Benedict	Delilah
Ava	Teigan-Lei		Cassius-
William C	Robin	Samuele	Chan
Elyjah	Brodie	Simon	Idris
Jeremiah	Chloe M	Jude	Gloria
Carmela	(Jeffers)	Evelyn	Arla
Liam	Chloe M	Ariella	
	Alexander		



#### Will your child's name appear here? It's easy!

### *Come to nursery every day!*

"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. The UK government, as well as other governments overseas, have consequently made large increases in the number of free hours of early years education available to parents of preschool children, particularly among disadvantaged groups."

http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/impact-nurseryattendance-childrens-outcomes



## Who is Cooke?

## Trish Cooke is a playwright and chil-

dren's book writer. In 1988 Trish was awarded the Thames TV theatre writers award and was writer in residence at Liverpool Playhouse. Her first stage play Back Street Mammy, about teenage pregnancy, was produced by Temba Theatre Company at the Lyric Hammersmith in 1989 and then by the West Yorkshire Playhouse in 1991. That year she also wrote for *EastEnders* (BBC). Between 1988 and 1996 Trish was a presenter and scriptwriter on Playdays (BBC) and her children's book, So Much (Walker Books 1994) won the Smarties book prize, Kurt Maschler award and the W.H. Smith and She magazine award.

The book was voted one of the 100 best children's books by Time Out in 2016.

#### So Much

Full, Full, Full of Love

Catch

Mr Pam Pam and the Hullabuzzo

When I Grow Bigger

#### What we are reading in Nursery

We use books to open up a world of learning for our children. The core books we use, relate to children's interests and we feed that through the breadth of activities we offer within the provision. We also think that using books as the base for our learning helps children love reading on a deeper level which we hope they will keep with them throughout their education.

If you have an opportunity to share these books with your children, it will offer even more learning opportunities between the nursery and home. Next half term we will be exploring the topic of growth.

If your child loves a particular book why not tell us about it in the "What I Did" book; we'd love to hear your feedback!









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Full, Full, Full of



March Wednesday 4th March—Hug in a mug 8:45—9:45 Wednesday 4th March—Clothes Exchange 8:45—9:45 Thursday 5th March—School of Family Thursday 5th March—World Book day Monday 9th March—Parent Forum on Maths 9am and 12:45pm Monday 30th March—Friday 3rd April—Parent Consultations.

#### April

Monday 6th April—Friday 17th April - Easter Break. Nursery closed to all government funded children.

Friday 10th April—Good Friday. Nursery closed to all children.

Monday 13th April—Easter Monday. Nursery closed to all children.

Thursday 30th April—Parent Forum on Water Play 9am and 12:45pm

Please be mindful that the staff car park is not for all day parent use. You are able to park on the road from 12pm as long as it is not an event day. Please see the Newham website for event days.

Don't forget to check your Childcare Choices account to ensure you have re-registered your child's 30 hour funding for next term.