April 2019

Rebecca Cheetham Nursery NEWSLETTER

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A warm welcome to our April Newsletter

Dear parents/carers,

We hope that you are all happy, healthy and well and looking forward to the end-of-term with your children. Hopefully you have some wonderful plans together!

Attendance is still, as ever, on our agenda and we thank those families who have made a real effort to bring their children in every single day. We will be sending out letters to advise those families of next steps if your child's attendance is below 85% and hasn't shown any signs of improvement. We want to work with you to ensure your child is taking advantage of their nursery experience and the wonderful rewards it will bring once they go to Reception. Don't forget that for absences that you know of in advance, you must fill in the **absence**

form and provide us with <u>evidence</u> of the absence, for example, flight details or letter from the medical specialist.

Parent consultations will be commencing on **Monday 1st April 2019** through to **Thursday 4th April 2019** for Blue and Green Room children. You have already received a letter regarding this and been invited to select a parent consultation slot. If you haven't, there is still time to do so. Please speak to your child's key worker in order to select a slot. We expect <u>all</u> parents/carers to attend.

We have already informed our Green Room

families about this, but **Nat**, our Green Room Teacher will unfortunately be leaving us at the end of next week. We are extremely sad about this but we wish her our love and support. We will be welcoming **Lena**, who is returning back to Rebecca Cheetham as the Green Room Class Teacher. We trust you will join us in giving her a huge welcome / welcome back as she takes on this exiting new endeavour!

We are very excited to announce our relaunched Sponsored Toddle, *Tiny Steps Count*, a walk to raise money for a wonderful local charity, Richard House, London's first children's hospice. We are set to take those tiny steps on Tuesday 11th June 2019 between 9.30am—11am. PM children will be asked to come into to the morning session (more details to follow, including fundraising pack) and we encourage as many parents/carers as possible to join us on this event. Apart from singalongs and games we will be enjoying a *Teddy Bears Picnic* after the walk.

We are also super excited about the return of our annual summer carnival day, *FIES*-

TA FUN DAY with a superhero dress-up theme. Lock in **Friday 28th June 2019 in your diaries between 1pm—5pm** for a wonderful afternoon of fun and frivolity! Our carnival day gets better every year and this year is going to be our very best yet! To help us prepare for the day, nursery and children's centre services will be closed but we encourage you all to come back at 1pm for a wonderful afternoon.

Thank you to everyone who contributed their time and energy to the **Parent**

Survey. I will be collating the results and putting it all together for you as well as responding to some of your comments before we break up for Easter on Friday **5th April 2019**. We return back from the Easter break on **Tuesday 23rd April 2019**.

Nursery 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:

90.8%

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.

Rebecca Cheetham Nursery Children's Centre

The Children's Centre Garden

Have you seen our lovely new garden area in the Children's Centre?
It's makeover is now complete including musical instruments, play equipment and nature garden. We also have a new house and sand pit!
We hope your children like the new hopscotch, mirror me and alphabet caterpillar on the floor.
Come along with your under 5's to one of our Stay and Play for a closer look.





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MESSY PLAY

We have introduced a new Messy Play session at Rebecca Cheetham on Fridays.

Explore different activities including sand, play dough and much much more! Remember to dress to get messy!

> **Commencing:** Friday 26th April 2019 1:30pm—3:00pm. Term Time Only.







Hug in a Mug Coffee Morning

Wednesday 3rd April 2019 8:45am to 9:45am

Come and join us for a catch up over a warm drink in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Meet other families within the Stratford and West Ham Community Neighbourhood and find out more about the services we can offer.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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To celebrate the wonderful world of Fairytales which we have been spending time with this half term, we invited the ever engaging talents of Booster Cushion Theatre into the nursery to bring some of these tales to life. The title of the show was Big Goldilocks and the Three Bears Plus. The children and adults thoroughly enjoyed the show and laughter could be heard throughout the building!



The Wellbeing Award!

As a testament to our huge efforts in raising the profile of wellbeing for children, families and staff at Rebecca Cheetham, we are thrilled at receiving our wellbeing plaque which takes pride of place on our awards wall in the corridor.

Please take a moment to have a look at our awards wall and watch out for further wellbeing opportunities for families coming soon!



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"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 -nursery-attendance-childrens-outcomes

Children who achieved 100% attendance

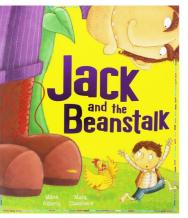
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Benjamin	Romeo	Jasmine	Lewis		

READING in the 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.

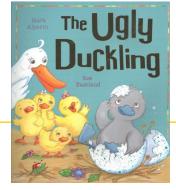
If you have an opportunity to share these books with your children, it will offer even more learning opportunities between the nursery and home. Next half term we will be exploring the topic of growth.

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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READING PASSPORT

Make sure you pick up a Reading Passport and make an effort to take some additional reading books home to read to your child. Remember that the more books you borrow, the more opportunities you will have to receive some book prizes for your efforts. See Rio at the front office for more info.





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Important Dates



April 2019

Tuesday 2nd April 2019—Early Reading Workshop from 12:45pm—1:45pm. Wednesday 3rd April 2019—Hug in a Mug Coffee Morning from 8:45am—9:45am. Monday 8th April 2019 to Monday 22nd April 2019—Easter break. Nursery closed to all government funded children. Wednesday 17th April 2019-Baby Massage 5 week course starting from 1:00pm-2:00pm. (Booking required) Tuesday 23rd April 2019—How to create a CV Workshop from 12:45pm to 1:45pm. (Booking required) Tuesday 30th April 2019—Building Confidence Workshop from 12:45pm to 2:45pm. (Booking required) May 2019 Wednesday 1st May 2019—Parent Forum on Water Play—9:00am, 12:45pm and 4:30pm. Wednesday 1st May 2019—Hug in a Mug Coffee Morning from 8:45am—9:45am.

Monday 6th May 2019—Nursery closed to all children due to bank holiday.

Tuesday 7th May 2019—Water Play Workshop from 12:45pm—1:45pm.

Tuesday 21st May 2019—Bedtime Routine Workshop from 12:45pm—2:45pm. (Booking required)

Thursday 23rd May 2019—Booster Seat Theatre coming in to the Nursery.

Thursday 23rd May 2019—Open day to all prospective children.

Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019-May half term. Nursery closed to all government funded children.

Save the date

Friday 28th June 2019—Fiesta Fun Day 1:00pm to 5:00pm

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