May 2019

Rebecca Cheetham Nursery NEWSLETTER

A warm welcome to our May Newsletter

Dear parents/carers,

To start with, I would just like to express my humble gratitude at your support and encouragement through donations, checking in with how my training was going and well wishes for the last seven months as I prepared for the

London Marathon. I am thrilled to say that I completed the marathon in a time of 4:02 which I'm very happy with and so far I've managed to raise over £1860.00 for P.A.C.T. Charity, who I was extremely proud to run for You can still pledge a donation if you wish using this link:

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/RohanAllen1

This is the shortest half term but one of the busiest! First of all we are holding an *Open Afternoon* for all prospective new students on **Thursday 23rd May 2019** between **4pm and 5pm**. This is a perfect opportunity for parents to get a feel of the nursery space, meet some of the staff and understand what

meet some of the staff and understand what they can expect once their child commences their time with us. If you know anyone looking for 3 and 4 year old places please pass the message on. We will be able to offer places to families that attend on this day for September.

We welcome **Lena**, who has returned 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 will be holding a very important *Parent Forum* focused on *Maths* on Wednesday 15th May 2019 at 9am—10am and 12.45pm—1.45pm . This will be followed by a *School of Family* event afterwards where we are inviting you into your child's classroom to partake in Maths activities directly after the Parent Forum at 10am and 1.45pm. Please sign up at the front office to secure your place.

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Tiny Steps Count, our sponsored walk to raise money for a wonderful local charity, *Richard House*, London's first children's hospice will happen on **Tuesday 11th June 2019 between 9.30am—11am**. Please anticipate further information being provided to you, along with sponsorship forms. There will be prizes awarded to those children who raise the most money.

Also a reminder to lock in the date for

FIESTA FUN DAY with a superhero dress-up theme; **Friday 28th June 2019 in your diaries between 1pm—5pm.** A reminder that this is a school and children's centre closure day to allow you to join us at 1pm for a wonderful afternoon of fun. We have even more fun planned for you this year so you do not want to miss it!

Our Parent Governor VJ, took the lead in organising a *Clothing Exchange* on

Wednesday 1st May, alongside our Hug-In-A-Mug session and what a resounding success it was. This is a wonderful opportunity to donate unwanted children's clothes and take some away in return—all for free. Watch out for information regarding our next Clothing Exchange session coming very soon!

Finally don't forget to hand in your expression of interest form for the Seaside Trip for Blue and Green Room children. We encourage all our families to attend this very special educational visit.

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:

90.7%

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.

Children's Centre

Children's Centre Renovation

Over the Easter break our Children's Centre had a brand new look! It's makeover included new flooring, cupboards and chairs alongside our already new water play area.

Come along with your under 5's to one of our Stay and Play for a closer look—We also hope you are enjoying our new garden area!

Hug in a Mug Coffee Morning and Clothes Exchange

This was a HUGE success will lots of parents attending. Thank you to the parents who brought old clothes and toys that they no longer wanted and exchanging them with items from other parents.

This is something that we will run again in the near future.





FE2 Parent Workshops Water Play

Come and meet our Early Education Practitioner (Koli), who will deliver a workshop to highlight the importance of water play. Ideas and strategies will be shared to help support your child's learning and development through water play.

Rebecca Cheetham: Tuesday 7th May 2019

12:45pm-1:45pm



Here, There and Everywhere

Join us for our next educational visit to Thames Barrier Park on Friday 17th May 2019 from 10am—2pm

Book a place now at the front office.

Please note: Meeting point will be at Stratford Station. Please arrive 15 minutes before.

Bedtime Routine Workshop

Come along to our workshop for positive parenting tips and strategies to help you develop a good bedtime routine.

Booking required. Crèche provided

Rebecca Cheetham: Tuesday 21st May 2019

12:45pm-2:45pm



Page 3 Life Cycles—Growing Things

Our theme of Life Cycles is one of our most popular in the nursery calendar and we offer the children so many wonderful opportunities to watch things grow and change and develop over time. We have our resident tortoises who we have given a brand new luxury home! Our caterpillars have started to build their cocoons and soon we will be welcoming our living eggs which we will have the fantastic opportunity to watch hatch and see lovely little chicks take their first steps. It is certainly an exciting time in the nursery.

To help you support the learning of life cycles at home, we will be giving all the children a packet of cress seeds which you can easily grow in a clear plastic cup, inside, along the window sill. We will give you further instructions but this is a great opportunity to watch the seeds grow and once they have sprout, you will be able to eat them which also adds to the excitement.

Also, take advantage of the living eggs coming to the school and spend some time with your child having a look; you may be lucky enough to see one hatch!







Children who achieved 100% attendance

Gabrie	ella	Shai	Valerie	Ziyan	Benedict	Annabelle
Leila		Maximili-	Bella J	Remiel	Anthony	Cairo W
Ana		an	Kairui	Romeo	Mariana	Delilah
Willya	m	Jamael	Navarn	Nabila	Milan	Evie
Maya	В	Cameron	Richie	Brodie	Aanya	Radhika
Bella E	3	Beau	Jaidev	Mayann	Nancy	Ram
Joshua	a	Liam	Sofia J	Elif	Christopher	
Williar		Benjamin	Emmanuel	Maya M	Anahita	DEDEEAT ATTAIN
Ziann		Zahra Qaylah	Samuel	Salma	Ariella	FLIT LUT ATTEND
Rio			Xinyang	Jonathan	Cali-Ocean	BRECTATIENDANCE
Alec		Hamza	Kai	Simone	Umayr	PERFECT ATTEN
AICC		Layla		Faye		ERFECT ATTENDANCE

Attendance

"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

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!



THE VERY HUNGRY





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





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—Open day to all prospective children from 4:00pm—5:30pm.

Friday 24th May 2019—Inset day—Nursery closed to all children.

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

June 2019

Tuesday 4th June 2019—Outdoor Workshop from 12:45pm—1:45pm.

Tuesday 11th June 2019—Tiny Steps Count (Sponsored walk) 9:30am—11:00am

Tuesday 18th June 2019—Toilet Training Workshop 12:45pm—2:45pm.

Wednesday 19th June 2019—Parent Forum on Transitions—9:00am, 12:45pm and 4:30pm.

Friday 21st June 2019—Paediatric First Aid Workshop—9:30am—12:30pm. (Booking required)

Friday 28th June 2019—Fiesta Fun Day 1-5pm.

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

