

July 2026

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. Your children have had some wonderful learning experiences and have been making excellent progress and development during their time with us. This is all possible due to the hard work and commitment shown by all the staff at the setting and I would like to say a huge heartfelt, "Thank you."

We sadly have to say "Goodbye" to many of our children as they move on to primary school. We wish you all the very best as you begin the next stage of your learning journey. For parents who may have some queries about how to help your child with this transition, 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>

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. The quality of our photographs are however excellent, but 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.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent consultations have begun this week and offer an opportunity to talk to your child's key worker about your child's development and progress. Please ensure that you have signed up at the office for a scheduled 10 minute session for your meeting.

SUMMER TERM EVENTS

We had a super **Sports Day** at the setting and we were so thrilled with such a fabulous turn out of parents to cheer on our children and to participate in the fun with the 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.

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 on the day to let us know why and when they may return.

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Our telephone number is 0208 534 3136

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The beautiful summer sunshine allowed some of our children and families to enjoy a traditional seaside day at **Leigh on Sea**. It is really easy to get to Leigh on Sea. You can take the C2C train from West Ham Station and be by the sea in 40 minutes. Why not have a family day out during the summer holiday .

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 the Family Hub joined us, helping to 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 that everyone had a wonderful and culturally enriching day.

Four children from the nursery were nominated for the **TTLT awards**, an event which celebrates educational excellence in the early years and primary school phases. Well done everyone. We are incredibly proud of you.

Olive (Donaldson room) was nominated for an award for Outstanding Contribution to School Life

Olive brings positivity, compassion, and enthusiasm to everything she does and has made exceptional progress throughout her time with us .

Anaiya (Cooke Room) was nominated for an award for Outstanding Creativity Award

Anaiya has a vivid imagination and can express creativity in many different ways. She can draw , sing, play musical instruments, dance and is able to inspire and engage her peers in creative activities.

Younis (Jeffers room) was a winner of the Young Achiever Award EAL.

Younis always comes to nursery with a big smile on his face. He is now saying more words spontaneously and more frequently which is a great progress.

Aiden S(Donaldson room) was a winner of the Outstanding Educational Achievement Award.

Aiden consistently engages in activities with focus and determination, showing an excellent ability to apply new knowledge and skills across all areas of learning.

It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers in attendance at our final **Leavers concert** a celebration of your child's time at the nursery. These concerts are well worth all the preparation time that the children and staff put into them and It's amazing to see how confident the children have grown to be. I'm sure that they will all be stars of the future.



If your child is showing signs of being ready to use the toilet then the summer holidays are the ideal time to begin **toilet training**. You can talk with your child's key worker and find lots of helpful advice on the ERIC website. <https://eric.org.uk/potty-training/>

Finally, wishing everyone a safe and happy summer holiday. Remember to stay cool, hydrated and apply sun cream if you are spending time outside. Babies /Young children, the elderly and people with underlying health conditions may be affected more severely with the high temperatures that we are having. Here are some important safety reminders -

Babies regulate their body temperature primarily through their heads. Please be mindful when popping hats on newborns/ young babies, especially indoors /warm environments.

Co sleeping can increase the risk of overheating so please use the safer sleeping guidance [How to Keep Your Baby Cool and Sleeping Safely in a UK Heatwave | SleepReview](#)

Medications should be stored in a secure place out of children's reach to prevent accidental ingestion.

You can find out more about water /sun safety at [RoSPA- Summer water safety tips | RoSPA's essential guide for the public](#)

We look forward to the next academic year ,full of fun and learning.

Week Beginning	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	AM	PM	CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED	
Week beginning 20 th - 31 st July			CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED	
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Week beginning 3 rd August	AM		CENTRE CLOSED		HUG IN A MUG (Coffee Morning) 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 9:30am-10:30am		BABY STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-12 months Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am	
		PM	CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED		CENTRE CLOSED	
Week beginning 10 th August	AM		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am		EDUCATIONAL VISIT 2-8 years Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park 10:00am-12:00pm		BABY STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-12 months Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am		FAMILY COOK, EAT AND PLAY 0-8 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-12:30pm	
		PM	BABY STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-12 months Rebecca Cheetham CC 1:00pm-2:30pm		Please call the centre to make a booking.		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 1:00pm-2:30pm		Please call the centre to make a booking.	
Week beginning 17 th August	AM		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am		EDUCATIONAL VISIT 2-8 years Princess Diana Park 10:00am-12:00pm		BABY STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-12 months Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am		FAMILY PICNIC & PLAY IN THE PARK 0-8 years West Ham Park Meeting Point: Playground 11:00am- 2:00pm	
		PM	BABY STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-12 months Rebecca Cheetham CC 1:00pm-2:30pm		Please call the centre on 020 8534 3136 to make a booking.		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 1:00pm-2:30pm		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am	
Week beginning 24 th August	AM		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am		HUG IN A MUG (Coffee Morning) 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 9:30am-10:30am		BABY STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-12 months Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am		STAY & PLAY DROP IN 0-5 years Rebecca Cheetham CC 10:00am-11:30am	
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Fiesta Fun Day



**Thank you so much
for joining us for
these events; the
children love
having you
here to
support
them!**



Leigh on Sea

Super Sports Day



Nominees and Winners

TTTL awards

Leavers Shows

Important dates to remember

July

Week Commencing Monday 13th July

Parent Consultations - details to be provided prior to the week

Wednesday 15th July

Classroom end of year parties

Friday 17th July

Last day of the school year for government funded children

Monday 20th July

INSET DAY - Full school and Children's Centre closure

Tuesday 21st July- Monday 3rd August

Full school and Children's Centre closure

August

Tuesday 4th August - Friday 28th August

Nursery open for fee paying children and Children's Centre open

Monday 31st August

BANK HOLIDAY - Full school and Children's Centre closure

September

Tuesday 1st September

INSET DAY

Wednesday 2nd September

First day of the new academic year - School and Children's Centre open

