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Rebecca Cheetham Nursery and Children's Centre NEWSLETTER



Dear parents/carers,

The end of the year is fast approaching and there has been so much going on and lots more still to come!

We had a fantastic time on our **Sports Day** on **Wednesday 21st June 2023** and we thank all parents/carers who attended to show their support to the children. We had some wonderful comments from a lot of you who were thankful for the opportunity to see their children in the nursery and to even partake in some of the events. Thanks to Paul Belcher from *The Tapscott Learning Trust* for helping to put the event together. It was a resounding success.

Our last **Parent Forum** workshop on **Safeguarding and e-safety** was held and we were a little disappointed that we were not able to encourage more participants. Our next one is a very important one; **Transitions**, which is dedicated to supporting you and your child on their move to Reception. We will provide you with a huge range of tips and strategies to help make the move as smooth as possible. Both sessions will be face-to-face on **Thursday 6th July** at the new times of **9.00 am** and then again at **2.30pm**.

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to our Reception leavers but we are very excited to present to you their *Moving Up Ceremony* which is scheduled for Thursday **13th July at 10am**. All leaving children will be performing at the one performance so it will be one, big, emotional but jubilant celebration! We are trialing a new venue so we are hoping that it is a success so please bear with us if we have any teething issues.

The 11th Newham West Scout Group Gladstone Hall, Evesham Road Stratford E15 4AL

The venue is:

I thought it was really important to reiterate a comment made in our parent survey which we completely agree with: "Parents parking on the pavement immediately outside nursery continues to result in near misses as children arrive. Especially as cars reverse around the kerb into walking children. More enforcement with the traffic cones etc would be great." It is so important that we do everything we can to protect our children and although you might be saving some time **parking** closer to the school, the danger is that one day it could result in an accident. We all have a duty to protect our children from unnecessary harm.

Thank you to all the parents who contributed their thoughts in this year's **Parent Sur-**

vey. If you haven't seen the survey yet, here is the link: https://www.rebeccacheetham.newham.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=689&type=pdf

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-attendancechildrens-outcomes

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



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Apologies for any confusion with one set of dates that featured in last years newsletter. The **school closure dates** for summer are **Monday 24th July to 7th August 2023**. The nursery is also closed on **Friday 21st July** due to staff inset day.

We will be taking "Graduation" pictures of the children leaving us for Reception during the week commencing **10th July 2023**. Once the proofs are done we will inform you to have a look at the photos and select the ones that you wanted to purchase. Since we are doing them in-house we can minimize the costs to you. We will not be printing any of the photos out; instead we will email the photos to you and you can print them out in whatever size you prefer.

1 photo-£5

2 photos-£8

3 or more £10

The photos will all be high resolution and excellent quality. You do not have to dress your child up in any type of clothing as it won't be seen as they will be wearing the "graduation" outfit.

Our *Fiesta Fun Day* was a resounding success and we couldn't be more pleased with how everything turned out. What a fantastic team of staff we have at Rebecca Cheetham who worked tirelessly to put this event on for you all. I need to say a huge thank you to Subina, our Children's Centre Co-ordinator, who led the organization of the event and

did a truly remarkable job alongside the rest of the Children's Centre team. All the wonderful Rebecca Cheetham staff really went above and beyond to make sure the day ran smoothly, so thank you to everyone. We really hope you had a wonderful time and we are so happy that we could bring the event back for our community after a three year absence. One of the highlights was the Rebecca Cheetham



Babies Stay and Play

Come along with your babies 0-12 months and Pre-Walkers for our singing and storytelling session at Rebecca Cheetham

Booking required.

Every Monday (Term Time only)

Group 1: 1pm-1:45pm Group 2: 2pm—2:45pm

Book Start Corner

Do you have a child from 12—30 months? Secure a space today with Book Start Corner to find a love of books with your child

Booking required

Commencing 8th September 2023

Fridays (4 Week Course)

1:15pm-2:15pm

Children's Centre Sessions:

- We have opened up all our sessions once again to all families in Newham.
- Bookings continue to be taken one week in advance for all sessions via telephone
- Once we have reached 20 families on the booking sheet, all families calling after this will be informed that we have met capacity and an option will be given to be added to the following weeks booking sheet.

FAMILY SUPORT—Wellbeing Drop-In (Monthly)

We all sometimes need a safe space where we can speak about our experiences. Why not book to speak to one of our skilled, professional Family Support Workers in a confidential, non judgmental environment who can provide some guidance and a listening ear.

Monday 17th July 2023
Monday 14th August 2023
Monday 18th September 2023

Book using scanning the QR code below:



Gentle reminder:

Please ensure you are following our Ground rules when attending our sessions.

if our rules are broken, you will be turned away from our session.

The rules are in place to ensure everyone's safety.

Eating in our sessions is prohibited, unless we are delivering a food based session which has been risk assessed and Natasha's law rulings will be applied. We have many children/ adults who have allergies and we need to ensure we are safeguarding this vulnerable group.

We also do not permit the use of mobile phones in our session, this include any photography or videoing. When attending our session if you are expecting or receive an urgent call, please inform a member of staff who will be able to provide you with further instructions.





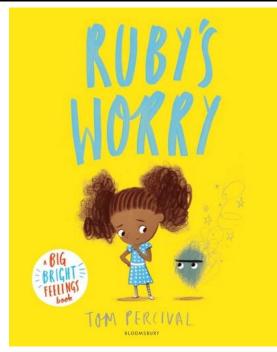


Our Sports Day was a wonderful sunny day filled with joy and happiness and just a little bit of competitive spirit! Thank you to all the staff who worked so hard to make it a success and were exhausted by the end of the day, the parents who made a fantastic effort to be there and, of course, the children who put in a lot of heart and effort into their races!





Book of the Month



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. We will be using books to enhance key messages we want to impart through our whole nursery and children's centre.

"Ruby loves being Ruby. Until, one day, she finds a worry — and it won't stop growing. How can Ruby get rid of it and feel like herself again? This is a very beautiful, sensitive look at anxiety and how a problem shared is a problem halved." Book Trust

Ruby's Worry is a great book to explore and open up about the fears we might have, no matter how big or small. Children might be feeling a range of worries at the moment as some of them prepare for the big move to Reception. They may also be feeling worried about performing in front of all the adults at the Moving Up ceremony. Whatever the worry, books like these can always help start the conversation about talking about your worries and feelings in order to reduce the anxiety you may feel. We adults could also use the advice offered in the book as well!

Click the link to find some activities you could do in relation to the book: https://

<u>www.rebeccacheetham.newham.sch.uk/attachments/</u>download.asp?file=578&type=pdf

And here is a link to a reading of the book: https://youtu.be/l8E6R0IAXqA

July

Thursday 6th July - Parent Forum - Transitions

Week beginning 10th July - Parental Consultations for all children

Thursday 13th July - Moving Up Ceremony Concert

Wednesday 19th July – Summer Parties

Thursday 20th July—Last day of school

Friday 21st July – INSET DAY (Nursery CLOSED)

Monday 24th July to 7th August—School closed for all children and Children's Centre activities

August

Monday 7th August to Friday 26th August and Tuesday 29th August to Thursday 31st August—School open to fee paying children.

September

Friday 1st September—School INSET Day—School closed to all children

Monday 4th September—The start of the new academic year. School reopens for all children.



Summer Term Programme