



Ghanshyam Nursery School

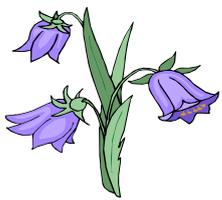
*'laying the foundations for life'*

*We strive to provide the highest quality childcare facilities and personnel for the social, personal, cultural and religious advancement of the child*

## April Newsletter

### What we will be learning

#### Bluebell Room



The bluebell room will be busy working on their physical development. Activities include dancing games, riding a bicycle and throwing and catching. This is to develop their gross motor skills.

EYFS Link - Physical Development

#### Tulip Room



The Tulip room children will be thinking for themselves during imaginative play during April. They will be provided with a variety of materials and encouraged to make something out of them. Alpna gave her key children tools to make a dinosaur land which was lots of fun and got the children working together.

EYFS Link - Expressive Arts & Design

#### Sunflower Room 1 and 2

The sunflower room children are showing a keen interest in experiments and are asking lots of 'why' questions. We recently conducted an experiment using glass bottles and salt, which was fascinating for the children. We will be providing more of a variety using magnifying glasses and microscopes.



EYFS Link: Understanding The World



Important dates ...

Thursday 2nd April: Easter celebrations

Thursday 23rd April: St. George's day. Wear red and white on this day.

Friday 24th April: non uniform day

Friday 17th April: Mathematics workshop in sunflower room 1 and 2

Please see interactive board for further details

#### Happy Birthday

Dhiya - 3  
Aarav - 4  
Sona - 4  
Reeya - 4  
Mayan - 4



#### Staff News

Thank you to Kastur who has supported Bluebell Room while their new joiners settled as well as helping in other rooms where needed. Kastur has always put the needs of the Nursery first and continues to serve the Nursery well

## Nursery Emails

The email system is now working and you can now send an email to:

[enquiries.gns@sksst.org](mailto:enquiries.gns@sksst.org)

## Recording Children's Achievement

If your child does something at home for the first time, or something that you are proud of, please share this with your key person. You can do this either via email, when you drop off or pick up, or using the forms that are located in the parent area. This is vital so that we can collectively celebrate children's achievements.



**The children making a dinosaur land**

## Evening Handovers

Please can parents ensure that when they pick up their children at the end of the day that they are physically entering the rooms to avoid children being able to leave the rooms unattended. Also, if parents want to have conversations with each other, please use the parents area to avoid the corridors becoming unnecessarily congested.

## Policy of the Month

### Outing policy

We have attached this to the newsletter for you. If you have any questions, please let Aisha know.

### Positive Parenting Course

Harrow Council are hosting a positive parenting course. Details of the course can be found below. Please see Aisha for more information.

### Growing Plants & Flowers

We will begin growing plants & flowers with the children this month, both outside and inside the room. The children in each room will be keeping a diary that shows photos of our plants and flowers. We also hope to be growing a variety of vegetables.

### Sensory Bags

We are still collecting for our sensory bags that the children will explore.



Please can parents bring in the following items:

- ◆ Old shoe boxes
- ◆ Kitchen roll tubes
- ◆ Any wooden or metal kitchen utensils
- ◆ Pots and pans
- ◆ Small milk cartons



## 8.3 Supervision of children on outings and visits

### Policy statement

Children benefit from being taken outside of the premises on visits or trips to local parks, or other suitable venues, for activities which enhance their learning experiences. We ensure that there are procedures to keep children safe on outings; all staff volunteers are aware of and follow the procedures as laid out below.

Children are taken to the Temple on a weekly basis also

### Procedures

- We ask parents to sign a general consent on registration for their children to be taken out on local short outings as a part of the daily activities of the setting. This general consent details the venues used for daily activities. This also included local trips that may include a short bus ride.
- We assess the risks for each local venue used for daily activities, which is reviewed regularly.
- We always ask parents to sign specific consent forms before major outings; and the risks are assessed before the outing takes place.
- Any written outing risk assessments are made available for parents to see.
- Our adult to child ratio is high, normally one adult to two children, depending on their age, sensibility and the type of venue, as well as how it is to be reached.
- A minimum of two staff accompany children on outings. Unless the whole setting is on an outing, a minimum of two staff also remain behind with the rest of the children. A manager or room leader must be present on a trip at all times and the nursery mobile phone must be taken and not staffs personal phones.
- Named children are assigned to individual staff member to ensure that each child is well supervised, that no child goes astray and that there is no unauthorised access to children. We ensure that all children on the outing are well supervised, that no child goes astray and that there is no unauthorised access to children.

- An outing risk assessment sheets is completed and staff ensure all emergency items are taken with them. E.g. first aid box
- Parents who accompany us on outings are responsible for their own child only. Where parents have undergone vetting with us as volunteers, they may be included in the adults to child ratio and have children allocated to them.
- Outings are recorded in an outings record sheet kept in the setting, stating:
  - The date and time of the outing.
  - The venue and mode of transport used.
  - The names of the staff members assigned to each of the children.
  - The time of return.
- We take a mobile phone on outings, as well as supplies of tissues, wipes, spare clothing and nappies, medicines required for individual children, a mini first aid kit, snacks and water. The amount of equipment will vary and be consistent with the venue and the number of children, as well as how long they will be out for. We apply sun cream to children as needed and ensure they are dressed appropriately for the type of outing and weather conditions.

We take a list of children with us with contact numbers of parents/carers, as well as accident forms, medication forms and a copy of our Missing Child Policy.

- We provide children to wear uniform and must wear jacket with badges that contain the name and setting telephone number – but not the name of the child.
- Records are kept of the vehicles used to transport children, with named drivers and appropriate insurance cover.
- We ensure that seat belts are worn whilst travelling in vehicles and that booster seats and child safety seats are used as appropriate to the age of the child.
- As a precaution, we ensure that children do not eat when travelling in vehicles.
- We ensure that contracted drivers are from reputable companies, do not have unsupervised access to the children and are not included in the ratios.

### **Other useful Pre-school Learning Alliance publications**

- Daily Register and Outings Record (2012)
- Managing Risk (2009)



## Group Triple P

### Triple P: 'Positive Parenting Programme'

Triple P is a group programme working with parents from all communities, who have children between the ages of 2 to 12 years.

#### Triple P can support you to:

- Create stable, supportive, harmonious family environment
- Teach your children the skills they need to get along with others
- Deal positively, consistently and decisively with problems behaviour should it arise
- Encourage behaviour you like
- Develop realistic expectations of your children and yourself
- Take care of yourself as a parent

#### Programme Details:

**Dates:** Friday, 24th April – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2015 for 7 group sessions

**Facilitators:** Meave Darroux and Annmarie Fevirer

**Venue:** Whitefrairs Children Centre  
Whitefrairs Ave, Harrow,  
HA35RQ (Buses 182, 258, 340)

**Time:** 1.00 pm to 3.00pm

#### Referral & Information:

To make a referral please complete the attached referral form and send to [karen.rose@harrow.gov.uk](mailto:karen.rose@harrow.gov.uk)

**Closing Date for referrals: Friday 17th April 2015**

For further information or to discuss the programme please contact the Early Intervention Service:  
Karen Rose on 0208 736 6038