

Parents Newsletter

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Dudley Zoo Trip

GNG would like to thank all our parents, carers and children who joined us on our Spring trip to Dudley Zoo. The children had a fantastic day and it was great for them to enjoy the outdoors and see various animals, which they were fascinated by. Our children have enjoyed talking about their experiences at Dudley Zoo and have shared their thoughts with the rest of their peers. We will be posting pictures on our events board at the nursery, so please come and have a look once it is up.



Our Garden Area

We would like to remind parents that **in our outdoor area we have a mud kitchen and sand box**. The children are supervised at all times and wear aprons, however we would like to ask parents **not to send their children to nursery wearing expensive coats/jackets as it may get dirty during their play**. Please ensure that hats, scarves and wellies are provided for your child; and **please label these items with their full name**. Additionally, please provide **extra nappies, wipes and a full set of clothing for your child whilst at the nursery**.



Mother and Child Workshop

GNG Nursery would like to invite all Mothers and Grandmothers to our workshop on **Friday 26th May**. This will be between **5-6pm**. There will be various activities set up in order to celebrate Mothers and Grandmothers. **Please sign up at reception.**

GNG Nursery Update

All of our rooms are now open for the children. We would like to offer our thanks again to all of our parents and carers who have been supportive during this period. Our staff worked extremely hard to get the nursery back open.



We would like to say a massive thank you to one of our parents, Pete, who created our new entrance mural (the photo to the right). For a better view, feel free to come and have a look in the reception area. It looks fantastic and we're proud to have parents who we can work in partnership with.

Parking

We would like to remind parents/carers that the parking restriction of 30 minutes, only applies to the road on the side of the nursery. You are allowed to park for an extended period on the other side of the road.



ABC Photographers Visit

ABC Photographers will be coming to the nursery to take photos of the children on **Monday 22nd May 2017**. Children who are not due in at the nursery on the day can have their photo taken between 9.30-10.30am. Children who are scheduled to attend the nursery on the day can have their photos taken from 10.30am. **If you would like your child to have their photo taken, please complete the consent form at reception.**

Dates For Your Diary: May

1st May- Bank Holiday: The Nursery is Closed

WB 15th May - Coffee Mornings

WB 22th May - Coffee Mornings

22nd May - ABC Photographer's Visit

26th May - Mother and Child Workshop

WB: 29th May - Half Term Week (The Nursery is Closed for Funded Children)

5th June - The Nursery is Open for Funded Children

Reminders!

Sickness

If your child has a high temperature, we will call you to collect your child as soon as possible. If your child's temperature continues to rise and they have not been collected within a period of time, we will call an ambulance or 111 for assistance. Please note that you must inform us if your child has been unwell so we can ensure they receive the best suited care.



eyLog

We enjoy watching and seeing your children's video and picture observations; please keep sending them! Newsletters are available for parents on eyLog (a message is sent with the newsletter attached). You can also see our newsletters on Facebook, Twitter and the Nursery website.

Late Fees

We would like to remind all parents that a late fee is applied at a charge of £1 a minute if you are late collecting your child after the agreed time.

Mobile phones

Please remember that **mobile phones are NOT ALLOWED to be used past the point of reception**. If you are seen using your mobile phone past this point, you will be asked to leave. This is for the safety of our children.



Thank you for your co-operation.



Blossom & Rainbow Room Monthly Overview



This month, the babies have enjoyed taking part in creative activities such as creating their own hand prints using paints. They were fascinated by the texture of paints. Some of the babies came along to our nursery trip to Dudley Zoo. Whilst exploring the zoo, they saw lots of different animals with their relatives, carers and staff. The babies adapted very well during our time at Fireflies Nursery, they particularly liked the outdoor area. Whilst at GNG Nursery, the babies have loved playing in our soft play area – they have been exploring different ways of moving around. Next month, the babies will be learning about their body parts. They will be taught the “Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes” song.



Sunrise Room Monthly Overview



We would like to say a big “Well Done” and “Thank You” to all our Sunrise Children, who adapted very quickly whilst we were at Fireflies Nursery. We are very proud of how well they adapted, even though they were in a different setting. All of our children enjoyed participating in various outdoor activities such as playing in the mud kitchen, playing on the see-saw, scooters, bikes etc. Indoors, the children have been engaging in role play, having circle time, story time etc. The Sunrise children find speaking about different animals very interesting, particularly since visiting Dudley Zoo. They know about different zoo and farm animals, and the pets they have at home. This term, we will be focusing on “Our Favourite Things”.



Preschool Room Monthly Overview



During the first two weeks of April, Preschool enjoyed exploring Fireflies Nursery where they participated in various activities such as trying new foods, fruit and vegetable printing and discussing how some foods grow from plants. Since returning to GNG Nursery, Preschool have loved exploring the new rooms and have been learning about the different types of animals that we may find in the zoo, farm, underwater and in the wild. All of the children who went to Dudley Zoo with us had a fantastic time and have been able to discuss which animal they liked the best and have been drawing them also.