



End of Spring Term.

Wow, it's amazing how fast time flies by as we find ourselves coming to the end of the Spring Term and what an exciting term it has been! I thought I would take the time to reflect on this term and take some time to celebrate how well the children are doing at nursery. Once again we thank you for your on-going support. The children bring so much life and joy to our nursery.

This term we welcomed our new Inclusion Manager Alison Harris to the team who has settled in well and is making a difference to our Nursery. Also we congratulate Helen Coleman on becoming the new Assistant Head Teacher. We would also like to say a warm welcome to Kate Beard our new parent Governor who joined the Governing Body in March 2023.

During the Spring Term the children have been exploring and learning about the signs of Spring. We loved having chicks in nursery and looking at the growth of the natural world around us and caring for new life. The children loved being able to watch the chicks hatch and grow, they have been rehomed with our Pupil and School Support Teacher David, who will be sharing videos with us to let us know how they are getting on and will bring the children some eggs for our cooking activities.

A huge thank you to parents for their on-going support. It was nice for staff to have the time during parental consultations to celebrate the children's progress and a lovely opportunity for you to hear all about your child at nursery. Can we remind you to look on Tapestry to see what your child is doing at nursery and please feel free to add photos, it is great for you to also share what your child is doing at home.








Absence from School

We know that there has been lots of different bugs going around nursery and for that reason children have needed time off nursery but may we remind parents that it is really important that children attend nursery everyday. Although attendance at Nursery is non-statutory we are required by the Local Authority to closely monitor the attendance of each child. Please remember to contact us on the first day your child is absent. **0121 675 2284 or email:**

schoolffice@garretts.bham.sch.uk

Our books next term will be:

Summer term 1	Summer term1	Summer term 1
 <p>Sequencing; days of the week; maths; healthy and non healthy food; growth cycle of a caterpillar; pattern; UNCRC: Article 24 I have the right to clean water and good food. Maths focus: size- long and short Phonics focus: alliteration- listen to the sounds at the beginning of words noticing the difference</p>	 <p>Growth; change; names and characteristics of different insects and creatures UNCRC: Article 29 I have the right to an education which develops my personality, respect for others' rights and the environment Maths focus: number- Through play and exploration, beginning to learn that numbers are made up (composed) of smaller numbers Phonics focus: To distinguish between the differences in vocal sounds, including oral blending and segmenting</p>	 <p>Feelings/emotions; how to deal with conflict; time; names of insects and creatures; UNCRC: Article 12 I have the right to be listened to and taken seriously Maths focus: Counting and adding the spots on the ladybird's wings Phonics focus: Anticipating key phrases and sounds.</p>
Summer term 2	Summer term 2	Summer term 2
 <p>UNCRC: Article 36 to be kept safe from things that could harm my development Maths focus: comparing size of the animals Phonics focus: rhyming words</p>	 <p>PSED 2 best friends who move away from each other, but still remain friends even though they don't see each other every day! UNCRC: Article 12: I have the right to be listened to and taken seriously Maths focus: • Separates a group of three or four objects in different ways, beginning to recognise that the total is still the same Phonics focus: Initial letter sound of H for Henry and Herman</p>	 <p>Rhythm; repetition; memory; emotions; environmental sounds; adventure; journey; order; sequencing; prepositional language—over/under. UNCRC: Article 12: I have the right to be listened to and taken seriously Maths focus: • Separates a group of three or four objects in different ways, beginning to recognise that the total is still the same Phonics focus: To develop oral blending and segmenting of sounds in words</p>



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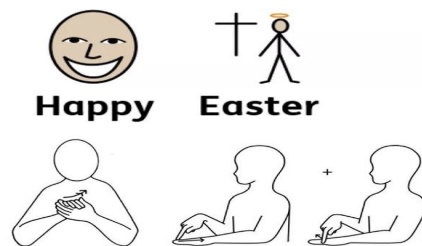
Ramadan.

The Islamic calendar follows the phases of the moon, commonly known as the lunar cycle. As a result, the Holy month of Ramadan falls approximately 10 days earlier each year in the Gregorian calendar. The Ramadan start date for 2023 started on the eve of Wednesday 22 March, following the sighting of the moon lasting for 29/30 days. The ending of fasting marks the beginning of Eid-ul-Fitr. We will be celebrating in Nursery during the week Monday 24th April—Wednesday 26th April. We wish all of our families Eid Mubarak—Happy Eid.

Makaton

Makaton is a unique language programme that uses symbols, signs and speech to enable people to communicate. It supports the development of essential communication skills such as attention and listening, comprehension, memory, recall and organisation of language and expression. Being able to communicate is one of the most important skills we need in life.

We have introduced Makaton signs of the week and Kelly puts a video on Tapestry for you to see what our signs of the week are and to how use them too. It has been lovely to see the children using them in nursery and at home. Some of the signs we have been doing is Good Morning, Good Afternoon, Toilet, Nappy, Happy St David's Day, Happy Ramadan etc.



Reception Places (Primary School)

Parents will be notified by email from Birmingham City Council on **17th April 2023** of the Primary School place offered. Please remember that you need to accept the place by the **2nd May**. Could you also inform your child's key worker of the name of the school you have accepted please.



Groovy Movers

Katy Luong, Groovy Little Movers continues to be working with us at Nursery. During the Summer Term Katy will be working with the children and staff once a month introducing us to many more songs and moves. We have really enjoyed having Katy with us and the children have made fantastic progress.

Coffee Morning reminder—

We hold coffee mornings for all parents the last Tuesday of every month. The next one is **Tuesday 25th April 9.15-10.15**, please pop along and join us. There's always tea and biscuits!



Stay and Play

Every Friday from 20.01.2023 - 1.00-2.30pm.

At

Garretts Green Nursery School & Enhanced Provision

117 Garretts Green Lane, Sheldon, B26 2JL

Phone: 0121-675-2284

No booking needed

Come along to meet our DLP Inclusion Team and other parents.

We can offer advice and support on a variety of topics around your child's development & wellbeing.

Everyone welcome



We hope you have a wonderful Easter break and you enjoy lots of fun times together and maybe a little chocolate. **Children return on Tuesday 18th April 2023**

Claire and the Nursery Team at Garretts Green Nursery