

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

December Newsletter What we will be learning



Bluebell Room

Bluebell will be learning about winter. We will talk about the winter weather and winter clothes. We will also sing nursery rhymes

relating to the weather

Parental Involvement - Parents can talk about weather

EYFS Link - Personal, Social & Emotional Development,

Understanding the World, Communication & Language



Tulip Room

As Christmas approaches, Tulip Room will be doing different activities. We will be making cards, singing Christmas carols.

Parental Involvement—if you could please send photos of your child decorating Xmas trees at home

EYFS Link - Communication & Language, Understanding the World, Expressive Arts and Design

Sunflower Room 1

We will be learning abut festivals and how they compare in different religions. We will also be encouraging the children to write their names and letters of the alphabet. Phonic



sounds will be continued on a daily basis. We will also be introducing concepts like big/small, heavy/light and other opposites.

Parental Involvement - Talk to your children about different festivals

E<u>YFS LINK - Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the</u> World, Expressive Arts and Design



Friday 19th February

Friday 4th June

Friday 20th August

Friday 24th December

Happy Birthday



Staff News

Devon - 3

We would like to welcome Angela to the Ghanhsyam Nursery team.

Thank you to ALL the staff for all their hard work, commitment and dedication, especially during the current pandemic and throughout the year

Sunflower Room 1 and 2



Sunflower Rooms are going to be talking about Christmas and why we celebrate this festival.

We will be doing lots of fun activities throughout the month

and making it a festive season. Parents can join in by making biscuits with their children and decorating Christmas trees

EYFS Link: Understanding the World, Communication & Language, Expressive Arts and Design

Health & Safety

A reminder to parents that they must not allow the children to press the exit button when leaving the Nursery. This can pose a security risk for the children and also the Nursery.



A special thank you to all the parents for all the support and understanding during the Coronavirus pandemic. We were happy to welcome the children back after the lockdown and you all made the return smooth by preparing your children.



I wish you a very peaceful Christmas in the company of your friends and family and that the New Year brings you all you've wished for. Happy Holidays!

The policy of the month is:

ICT Policy

Please see attached policy, which is a new policy that has been implemented to ensure that all children are kept safe when using ICT devices both at home and at the nursery.

You can also go onto the google website and set up a variety of privacy and blocking settings to stop your children looking at anything inappropriate.

Outdoor Learning

We are continuing to develop our outdoor area for the children to be creative, imaginative as well as developing their physical skills. Physical play is very important for healthy growth and development. We take our children out in all weathers so please ensure that they have appropriate clothing available.

Child Illness

With winter approaching, please note that if your child has a temperature over 37.8°C or a new continuous cough of a loss of smell or taste they will need to get tested for COVID 19. Please let us know the outcome of the test and keep the child at home until the results have been received. If your child is on antibiotics, then they will be able to come to Nursery only after 3 days, where we will be happy to administer the medication

Nursery Contact

Please can all parents ensure they have the nursery mobile number stored in their phone

The number is 07722574698 or 020 8909 9389 opt 1

All emails to the nursery should go to enquiries.gns@sksst.org

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Policy

1 <u>The aims of ICT are to enable children:</u>

To develop ICT capability in finding, selecting and using information;

To use ICT for effective and appropriate communication;

To monitor and control events both real and imaginary;

To introduce children to develop new skills

2 Policies and procedures

It is very important that we keep children safe when we are using computers and have access to the internet and online services. At Ghanshyam Nursery School, we ensure our computers are kept safe when children are using them.

Any computer that the children have access to without adult supervision do not have internet access and the children only have early year's programs available. Any nursery computer with internet access that children do have access to are carefully monitored by staff, have anti- virus programs and high security settings for all online services.

Children are able to access the ICT room with staff supervision. The internet can be accessed; however this is limited to ensure that the staff cannot connect to anything deemed inappropriate to children.

Google or any other search engine is not to be used when with children for risk of being exposed to a website or link that is inappropriate. Staff are to ensure any activity using the computers is fully prepared in advanced.

Mobile phones can only be used when been authorised by the manager and this must be recorded in the safeguarding folder. If the nursery manager uses their phone, or any other professional then this must be recorded also. Photos must NEVER be taken in these circumstances and should be used for activity purposes also.

Appropriate software programs are downloaded for the children to use on computers.

All audio stories and songs that are downloaded are vetted by staff before using these with the children

If parents are concerned about their computers at home and the safety of their internet access with their children; the following website offers excellent advice on how to make computers and other equipment safe for young children.

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

www.nspcc.org.uk

The following documents can be found on this website and are specifically aimed at ensuring computers and other equipment and other access are secure.

Parents and carers check list Inappropriate websites – factsheet Cyberbullying – factsheet Grooming – factsheet Parents and carers – 'taking control' Cyberbullying – factsheet Grooming – factsheet Parents and carers – 'taking control'

DECEMBER EVENTS

Friday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day (Donate £2 to charity)

Thursday 10th to Friday 18th December – Talking to children about Hanukkah

Monday 21st December - Thursday 24th December (no uniform) Monday - White Tuesday - Wear Red Wednesday - Wear Green Thursday - Xmas Lunch (Wear sparkly clothes)

Please note the last day of Nursery is 24st December and we return on 4th January 2021

Wishing you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



