

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

November Newsletter

What we will be learning

Bluebell Room

This month we will be learning all about Diwali, Guy Fawkes, Hanukkah and St. Andrew's Day. We will be doing a variety of activities relating to each topic

<u>Parental Involvement:</u> Take pictures of your children participating in activities such as cooking, decorating and dressing up

EYFS Link - Communication and Language, Personal, Social and Emotional



<u>Tulip Room</u>

We will be looking at different festivals in the next few months. We will be doing different activities such as teaching Diwali dances and Diwali songs. We will be looking at different stories and planning

activities and dressing up in traditional clothes.

Parental Involvement: Please can you send in pictures of arts and crafts activities which you have been doing at home. This will help your child to gain confidence and also help with hand/eye co-ordination skills

EYFS Link : Understanding the World, Communication and Language, Physical Development

We wish all our Children and their Parents & Carers

A Very Happy Diwali and

a Prosperous New Year





Happy Birthday

- Mia 3
- Jiya 3
- Khush 4
- Nayan 4
- Priyen 4



Inset days 2021

Friday 24th December

We will also be closed on Friday 5th November

(due to Ankuut)



Sunflower Room 1



We will be learning about primary colours and how it can be changed to secondary colours. We will also be looking at textures and patterns. We will also be talking about Oral

Hygiene

EYFS Link: Understanding the World, Expressive, Arts & Design, Mathematics

Parental Involvement:

Please send your child's toothbrush and toothpaste on 9th November as the children will be practicing how to brush their teeth. Talk to your children about primary and secondary colours.

Sunflower Room 2



We will talking about 2D and 3D shapes, we will be looking at shapes in the environment. We will also be introducing different types of colours and differentiate between dark and light colours.

EYFS Link: Understanding the World, Expressive, Arts & Design, Personal, Social and Emotional, Physical Development

<u>Parental involvement:</u> Talk about different colours and ask them to draw different shapes.

Children's Clothes

Please check your child's nursery bag regularly so there are appropriate clothes for the prevailing weather conditions. Also please ensure that there are sufficient spare clothes for your child. Please make sure that all clothes are labelled with your child's name.

Harvest Festival

Thank you to all the parents who contributed to the harvest festival - we will be donating the food to the Temple Foodbank and Go Dharmic who distribute food to those in need.

Festival Series

Please look out in the SKSST social media for the festival series about Diwali which our children gave some excellent performances.

Policy of the Month

Managing Children who are sick

We will be going through this in our next staff meeting also.

Nursery Contact

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

The number is 020 8909 9389 opt 1

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

Emergency Contacts

Parents are reminded to ensure that correct contact numbers and names for all adults who can pick up your child in an emergency. We are unable to send the children home with anyone that you have not pre-notified us of. This is important for the welfare of you child

Oral Health

Did you know that 1 in 4 children aged 5 have had dental decay.



Please ensure that you take your child to the dentist regularly.

Staff News

We would like to welcome Divya and Vashina to Ghanshyam Nursery they will be based in Bluebell Room and Tulip Room respectively

Policy statement

We aim to provide care for healthy children through preventing cross infection of viruses and bacterial infections and promote health through identifying allergies and preventing contact with the allergenic trigger.

Procedures for children who are sick or infectious

If children appear unwell during the day – for example, if they have a temperature, sickness, diarrhoea or pains, particularly in the head or stomach – our manager or key person will call the parents and ask them to collect the child, or to send a known carer to collect the child on their behalf.

If a child has a temperature, they are kept cool, by removing top clothing and sponging their heads with cool water, but kept away from draughts.

The child's temperature is taken using a forehead thermometer strip, kept in the first aid box.

If the child's temperature does not go down and is worryingly high, then we may give them Calpol or another similar analgesic, after first obtaining verbal consent from the parent where possible. This is to reduce the risk of febrile convulsions, particularly for babies. Parents sign the medication record when they collect their child.

In extreme cases of emergency, an ambulance is called and the parent informed.

Parents are asked to take their child to the doctor before returning them to the setting; we can refuse admittance to children who have a temperature, sickness and diarrhoea or a contagious infection or disease.

Where children have been prescribed antibiotics for an infectious illness or complaint, we ask parents to keep them at home for 3 days before returning to the setting.

After diarrhoea, we ask parents keep children home for 48 hours following the last episode.

Some activities, such as sand and water play, and self-serve snacks where there is a risk of cross-contamination may be suspended for the duration of any outbreak.

We have a list of excludable diseases and current exclusion times. The full list is obtainable from:

www.hpa.org.uk/webc/HPAwebFile/HPAweb_C/1194947358374 and includes common childhood illnesses such as measles.

Reporting of 'notifiable diseases'

If a child or adult is diagnosed as suffering from a notifiable disease under the Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010, the GP will report this to Public Health England.

When we become aware, or are formally informed of the notifiable disease, [our manager informs/I inform] Ofsted and contacts Public Health England, and act[s] on any advice given.

HIV/AIDS/Hepatitis procedure

HIV virus, like other viruses such as Hepatitis A, B and C, are spread through body fluids. Hygiene precautions for dealing with body fluids are the same for all children and adults. We:

Wear single-use vinyl gloves and aprons when changing children's nappies, pants and clothing that are soiled with blood, urine, faeces or vomit.

Use protective rubber gloves for cleaning/sluicing clothing after changing.

Rinse soiled clothing and either bag it for parents to collect or launder it in the setting.

Clear spills of blood, urine, faeces or vomit using mild disinfectant solution and mops; any cloths used are disposed of with the clinical waste.

Clean any tables and other furniture, furnishings or toys affected by blood, urine, faeces or vomit using a disinfectant.

Ensure that children do not share tooth brushes, which are also soaked weekly in sterilising solution.

Nits and head lice

Nits and head lice are not an excludable condition; although in exceptional cases we may ask a parent to keep the child away until the infestation has cleared.

On identifying cases of head lice, we inform all parents ask them to treat their child and all the family if they are found to have head lice.

Procedures for children with allergies

When children start at the setting [we/I] ask their parents if their child suffers from any known allergies. This is recorded on the Registration Form.

If a child has an allergy, we complete a risk assessment form to detail the following:

The allergen (i.e. the substance, material or living creature the child is allergic to such as nuts, eggs, bee stings, cats etc.).

The nature of the allergic reactions (e.g. anaphylactic shock reaction, including rash, reddening of skin, swelling, breathing problems etc.).

What to do in case of allergic reactions, any medication used and how it is to be used (e.g. Epipen).

Control measures - such as how the child can be prevented from contact with the allergen.

Review measures.

This risk assessment form is kept in the child's personal file and a copy is displayed where [our staff/I] can see it.

Generally, no nuts or nut products are used within the setting.

Parents are made aware so that no nut or nut products are accidentally brought in, for example to a party.

Insurance requirements for children with allergies and disabilities

If necessary, our insurance will include children with any disability or allergy, but certain procedures must be strictly adhered to as set out below. For children suffering life threatening conditions, or requiring invasive treatments; written confirmation from our insurance provider must be obtained to extend the insurance.

At all times we ensure that the administration of medication is compliant with the Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Oral medication:

Asthma inhalers are now regarded as 'oral medication' by insurers and so documents do not need to be forwarded to our insurance provider. Oral medications must be prescribed by a GP or have manufacturer's instructions clearly written on them.

We must be provided with clear written instructions on how to administer such medication.

We adhere to all risk assessment procedures for the correct storage and administration of the medication.

We must have the parents or guardians prior written consent. This consent must be kept on file. It is not necessary to forward copy documents to our insurance provider.

Life-saving medication and invasive treatments:

These include adrenaline injections (Epipens) for anaphylactic shock reactions (caused by allergies to nuts, eggs etc.) or invasive treatments such as rectal administration of Diazepam (for epilepsy).

We must have:

- a letter from the child's GP/consultant stating the child's condition and what medication if any is to be administered;
- written consent from the parent or guardian allowing [our staff/me] to administer medication; and
- proof of training in the administration of such medication by the child's GP, a district nurse, children's nurse specialist or a community pediatric nurse.

Copies of all three documents relating to these children must first be sent to [the Pre-school Learning Alliance Insurance Department for appraisal (if you have another provider, please check their procedures with them)]. Written confirmation that the insurance has been extended will be issued by return.

Key person for special needs children requiring assistance with tubes to help them with everyday living e.g. breathing apparatus, to take nourishment, colostomy bags etc.:

Prior written consent must be obtained from the child's parent or guardian to give treatment and/or medication prescribed by the child's GP.

The key person must have the relevant medical training/experience, which may include receiving appropriate instructions from parents or guardians.

Copies of all letters relating to these children must first be sent to [the Pre-school Learning Alliance Insurance Department for appraisal (if you have another provider, please check their procedures with them)]. Written confirmation that the insurance has been extended will be issued by return.

November Events

Monday 1st - Thursday 4th November - celebrating Diwali - come dressed in traditional clothes.

Thursday 4th November - Diwali show in Ghanshyam Hall @ 2pm (please ensure your child is wearing traditional clothes)

Friday 5th November - closed for Ankuut

Thursday 11th November - Remembrance day - We will

be observing a 1-minute silence

Monday 15th -Friday 19th November - Road Safety Week - make road signs and bring them in

Friday 19th November- Children in Need - Come

dressed in pyjamas and donate £2

Monday 29th November - 6th December - Hanukkah. Please make a Star of David/Menorah and bring it in

Tuesday 30th November - St. Andrew's Day - Wear blue or white









