

## MURIEL GREEN NURSERY SCHOOL AND DAY CARE

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week many children were excited about the fireworks that they had seen over the weekend and have used lots of resources across the setting to re create what they saw. Their work can be seen throughout the Nursery and I am sure you will agree adds lot of sparkle to the rooms. The children will soon begin their Winter and Christmas songs and activities and I am sure the sparkle from our glitter will make it's way to your home.

Time goes fast and it is already the time of year when parents of children currently in Sunshine Room make their online applications for Reception places in September 2018. These applications need to be made online at [www.hertsdirect.org/admissions](http://www.hertsdirect.org/admissions) by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 where an online admissions booklet with further information is available. Some parents of children born in the summer months may find information about the option of delaying their child's start in reception to the following year helpful. This admissions system is run by the Local Authority not the schools so it is essential to apply. Please note if you are waiting to apply for nursery in September 2018 that you can apply direct to the school Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018. However, you can register an expression of interest now.

To ensure the safety of all children please do not store food in the children's bags. We have a number of children whom have a variety of allergies and it is pivotal that these children do not eat any food that would cause them harm. Thank you for your understanding.

Best Wishes

Gemma Williamson and Karen Ashton

Headteachers

### Safeguarding Update

**Designated Safeguarding Person (DSP): Gemma Williamson**

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Persons: Carina Rogers, Nuru Lyria and Ellis Himsworth.**

**Safeguarding Governor: Wilma Rix**

The Nursery has a duty of care to all children and we take it very seriously. We ensure that we stay up to date with statutory requirements and new guidance. Parents will be aware of many of our safeguarding procedures as they come in and out of the setting each day e.g. passwords for collecting children and no mobile phones to be used on the premises.

The Nursery is guided by the Governments statutory guidance 'Keeping Children Safe in Education September 2016' and complies with the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage. The Nursery has policies and procedures in place to safeguard all children and these are supported by the Hertfordshire Safeguarding Children Board.

The Nursery team works together to respond to any safeguarding concerns or issues. Staff have a responsibility to treat any concerns with rigour, confidentiality and sensitivity. All staff are trained to recognise signs of abuse or neglect and to understand and follow child protection policies and procedures. Any concerns expressed or referrals made are not an accusation but they have to be investigated.



## Dates for your Diary:

Date and Time	Event	Children involved:
Monday 27th November 7pm	New to Sunshine Room Parents Meeting	
Thursday 30th November 10am – 11am	Drop in and Play	For children starting Sunshine sessions January to bring a grown up to play!
Week Beginning 1st December	Unique Child Summaries distributed throughout the week	All rooms
Wednesday 6th December	Sunshine Room visit to St Albans Abbey	All sunshine room children within the session
Tuesday 12th December 2.00pm	Sunshine Room Christmas Nativity Concert	Sunshine Room Afternoon and Flexi 2 children
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Lunch	All children who are here for lunch on Wednesdays
Thursday 14th December 9.00am	Sunshine Room Christmas Nativity Concert	Sunshine Room Morning and Flexi 1 children
Tuesday 19th December 9.00am to 11.30am	Mr Marvel and Christmas Party Time	<b>All</b> Sunshine children (AM, PM, F1 and F2) and sessional Rainbow to attend in the morning. (unless they are full Wrap on a Tuesday in which case they do their normal day)
Tuesday 19th December	The term time only children will then be on holiday from 11.30 am.	
Wednesday 20th December 5.00pm	Christmas Sing Song	For all Day Care children and parents
Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd December	Day Care Only Open	

### Breakfast:

If your child is accessing breakfast WRAP with us please can we ask that your child arrives before 8.20am. This will allow them time to settle, eat and drink before sessions start at 8.30.



### Pushchairs and buggies:

Please ensure to leave your pushchair/buggy outside of the rooms when dropping off children. Please use the corridor or ramp outside the main door. Alternatively there is a buggy park in the car park.



### Parent Council:

Would you like to be involved in the decision making and provision at Muriel Green? I would welcome a number of parents who are able to work with us once a term as a minimum to share their views and opinions on the running and management of Muriel Green.

**Are you free Friday 17th November at 9am or 2pm?** Please let us know if your interested and available our would like to know more by emailing [admin@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk).