

# MURIEL GREEN NURSERY SCHOOL AND DAY CARE

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NEWS LETTER 16th October 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have welcomed the photographer who captured some beautiful photos and the proofs should now be with you. Please can you send your orders by 19th October to ensure that they are ready if you intend to use them for Christmas presents. The children were fantastic models and managed extremely well with the changes in routine.

During the next few weeks the children will be exploring the changes in seasons and how this impacts on us and our garden. The children have enjoyed helping adults to clear the leaves within the garden and become very frustrated when they re visit the garden and see more leaves.

Sunshine children please can we ensure that we are arriving on time for the start of sessions. Learning commences when the session begins and the routine is very important preparation for when the children move into Reception. As mentioned during the induction meeting, this term we will be requesting a voluntary contribution of £15. This will contribute towards cooking ingredients, snack, messy play and more to enable us to maintain and extend the range of activities offered. We ask that this is paid at your earliest convenience. Thank you to those who have already paid.

Please can we take the opportunity to remind you that if your child has turned three since September or is three before December 31st they will be eligible for 15 hours free education in Sunshine Room from January. Please enquire at the office.

Best Wishes

Gemma Williamson and Karen Ashton

Headteachers



## Admissions for Nursery for September

The time has come to start thinking about applying for Nursery places for September. If you are interested in a place for Sunshine Room for September please email [admissions@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk). Please include your name, your child's name, date of birth and contact telephone number., Alternatively come to the office and complete an expression of interest form.

### Timeline for Applications

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018: Applications for September 2018 Nursery places open

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018: Applications for September 2018 Nursery places close

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018: Schools will write to parents offering a place

Your child is born between:	Your child can start:
1 April – 31 August	On or after 1 September after their third birthday
1 September – 31 December	On or after 1 January after their third birthday
1 January – 31 March	On or after 1 April after their third birthday



## Sunshine Room

The children have been practicing for their Harvest festival tomorrow and Thursday, the singing has echoed through the Nursery and they are very excited to share this with you. The children have been exploring using their bodies to balance and move around the garden. An obstacle course made them balance in a number of ways and caused a challenge for many children.

## Ocean and Rainbow Rooms

Exploring 'The Gruffalo' story has seen lots of smiles and laughs in Rainbow room this week. The children have been making Gruffalo crumble for all to eat and natural resources have allowed the Gruffalo to visit the room. Using a number of malleable materials the children have also been designing their own Gruffalo and the variety of places the children wanted him to live.

## Baby Room

We have been welcoming a few new friends into Baby Room and introducing them to our fun and most enjoyed messy play activities. This supports the learning area Expressive Arts and Design, explores and experiments through a range of media through sensory exploration, and using whole body. In the past two weeks we have had water, flour, shaving foam, corn-flour, body painting, sticking, mark making with crayons, jelly and rice, pasta and oats play.



## Coffee Morning Questions

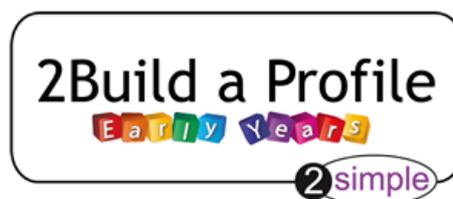
Before Sunshine Harvest Festival on Tuesday 17th October, we will be hosting a coffee morning for all parents. Jan, our office manager and Gemma Williamson, new head teacher will be available to chat with you and for you to ask any questions about Muriel Green Nursery or daycare.

Your welcome to join us from 8.30-9.00



## Recording Children's Learning

From today we will be recording the children's learning using electronic learning journeys. 2 Build a Profile is a secure programme that allows us to record and track the children's progress throughout their time in Muriel Green. Paper Learning journeys will be ceased and will be shared with you when your child's journey at Muriel Green finishes.



If you have any messages that you require a member of staff to see about your child's day please use the email addresses below. These will be checked at the beginning of the day.

[sunshine@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk](mailto:sunshine@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk)

[daycare@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk](mailto:daycare@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk)

If you require a response to email or are seeking information please continue to use

[admin@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk)