



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who came to the open day, despite the weather it was wonderful to see the children exploring the Nursery with their parents. If you have any feedback from the open day it would be wonderful to hear from you. Please email admin@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk.

The summer term is always the busiest at Muriel Green and this year is no exception. Currently we are having to turn down a lot of requests for extra sessions so if you do need a session or meal club requests must be made early.

We are currently exploring ways to support you with learning at home. Available in the corridor daily is a selection of books for the children to borrow. This will shortly extend to a range of resource bags that will encourage the children to demonstrate skills learnt at Nursery and expand on these. We ask that if you borrow these resources you sign them out and return them before borrowing the next resource. We hope you enjoy using them.

Best Wishes,
Gemma Williamson,
Headteacher

Transition to Reception!

- Many children will be leaving us at the end of the summer to go to their new reception classes, if your child is in day care please remember to give notice to the nursery and ensure fees are up to date. Vouchers cannot be refunded so make sure they are used.
- After half term we will be doing transition activities with the children, we will not start too soon as September is a long way off and we do not want to make children anxious. They will be able to talk about their feelings about the change and what they they will be doing. They will have a school role play area with uniform and photographs from some local schools.
- Reception staff usually visit Muriel Green and try to see as many children as possible, we talk with them about the children including particular achievements, needs or interests.
- County Admissions can be contacted directly on: 03001234043 if you have missed applying for Reception. If you missed applying for nursery please come in to the office.



Collecting Children

Lunch Time pick up time is 12:30pm, children whom are still attending morning only sessions please be reminded these sessions end at 1.00pm.

Afternoon pick up this will also sometimes be from the garden now that the evenings are lighter but please remember to continue to exit through the Children Centre

Buggies and Scooters: Thank you to everyone who has remembered not to take these into rooms where children are playing on the floors.

If you are late collecting your children there will be a £15 charge per 15 minutes. At the end of the day nursery is locked at 6:20 so we ask that you consider this if collecting at 6:15.



Summer Weather!

We have a strong ethos of outdoor play all year round, please ensure your child is suitably dressed and comfortable.

- Shorts and t-shirts are ideal for children to move freely, they don't catch up on play equipment
- An extra layer is needed in case the sun goes in!
- Sun hats must be named – a hat is available from the office for £3.00
- Footwear must be secure for active play: no flip flops, crocs, open toes or other loose fitting footwear
- Sun cream will be provided for children in day care.
- Children who are not with day care and come in for their nursery sessions must have cream applied before they arrive
- No creams should ever be left in a child's bag in the cloakroom.



Important Dates:

Monday 7th May	Bank Holiday	All closed
Tuesday 8th May	INSET Day	All closed
Monday 28th May	Bank Holiday	All closed
Tuesday 29th May— Friday 1st June	Half Term	Sunshine Room Closed
Wednesday 25th July— Wednesday 31st August	Summer Hol- idays	Sunshine Room Closed
Monday 3rd September	INSET Day	All closed

Mobile Phones

Early Years settings are governed by very strict statutory requirements, mobile phones must not be used in or around the nursery. Please do not put staff in the embarrassing position of having to ask you to turn a phone off.



Zoolab

Wednesday 16th May 2018 we have Zoolab visiting daycare. At ZooLab they are all about working with animals to amaze, educate, inspire – and reach defined goals. In everything they do, animals are at the centre of things.

If your child does not normally attend on this day but you would like to come to a session please email head@murielgreen.herts.sch.uk

1pm-2pm	Senses and Textures	Rainbow Room
2pm-3pm	Sensory	Baby and Ocean Room

Please can I remind parents that sometimes young children have squabbles or small arguments, the children are supervised well and we use lots of positive behaviour strategies but occasionally they are very quick and may hurt or upset each other. This is very typical behaviour for under fives who are developing social skills and making new relationships. We deal with it, we phone or talk to parents and we help children understand how to play and share together. Please speak to us if you have any information or need to ask questions.



Term Dates:

The term dates for 2018—2019 have been emailed out to parents. These are also available on our website for your information.