

Welcome back

For one more time, it has been wonderful to welcome all our children back into the nursery. All children have come back into the nursery with such enthusiasm - seeing their friends again and settling back into the nursery's routine.

We also wish to extend a special welcome to all our new children, parents and carers. Your children have made an amazing start at Bright Star Day Nursery.

September festivals and celebrations

- 13th September 2023 – Roald Dahl Day.
- 19th September 2023 – Talk like a pirate day.
- 18th – 24th September 2023– Jeans for Genes week.
- 26th September 2023 – European Day of Languages.

Upcoming events

October half-term holidays -
23rd - 27th October 2023 the nursery will remain closed to children that attend term-time hours.

INSET Day - 30th October 2023.
The nursery will remain closed to everyone.

September birthdays

A very happy birthday to:

- Sebastian
- Anton
- Nola
- Hanif
- Christensen



How do we learn in the nursery ?

At Bright Stars Day Nursery, we implement theme-based learning. Every term we focus on a specific theme/topic that connects our different learning activities, learning goals and children's interests together.

The themes for the academic year 2023 - 2024 are as below:

- Autumn 1: All About Me
- Autumn 2: People who help us
- Spring 1: Animals
- Spring 2: Minibeasts
- Summer 1: Transport
- Summer 2: Space and Summer

The theme for this term

The theme for this term is **"All About Me"** and children will be learning and participating in activities around their family, where they live, the local area, emotions, self-understanding and identity.

We link our weekly focused activities with the prime and specific areas that EYFS covers such as communication and language, personal, social and emotional development, physical development and literacy, maths, understanding the world and expressing arts and design.

What is EYFS ?

The Yearly Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) sets standards for the learning, development and care of your child from birth to 5 years old.

The EYFS includes the seven areas of learning and development.

The three prime areas,
• Communication and language
• Physical development
• Personal, social and emotional development
are crucial for igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning.

The three prime areas are strengthened and applied through the four specific areas:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design

In the educational literature, there are suggestions about what a child may be doing and how parents and practitioners can help them but it's important to remember that children develop in different ways and at different rates.

Key person

According to EYFS, every child should be supported by a key person in the nursery. The key person is a named person who has responsibility in a setting for working with parents and carers to meet your child's individual needs.

The key person will get to know your child really well, finding out about your child's preferences and routines and will be the person who shares information with you about what your child has done and learned during the session.

Please email the nursery if you wish to have a 1:1 meeting with your child's key person and we will be happy to book you for a meeting with them.

Parents and Carers will also have the opportunity to discuss their children's progress and learning with the nursery in the Parents and Carers Evening on Friday the 1st of December 2023 from 18:00 - 20:00.

SENCo

SENCo stands for special educational needs and/or disabilities coordinator. SENCos are members of the teaching staff who are responsible for children with special educational needs and/or disabilities within a nursery.

At Bright Stars Day Nursery, Ms Hana is the appointed person and she will be working with parents and carers to make sure that they receive the information, advice and support that they need in order to participate in the decision-making process.

The cooperation between SENCos, parents and carers is an elementary factor, for children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) so they reach their full educational potential.



Ms Hana
Nursery SENCo

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

The DSL is the person appointed to take responsibility for safeguarding and child protection across early-year settings and schools. We would like to inform the new parents and carers that the appointed person to take lead responsibility for safeguarding and child protection and cooperate with the local statutory children's services agencies and the Waltham Forest Local Safeguarding Children's Board, is the Nursery Manager Mrs Nefeli Gjoni and in their absence the Nursery Deputy Manager Ms Kelly Girling.



Mrs Nefeli
Nursery Manager



Ms Kelly
Nursery Deputy
Manager

Please do not hesitate to contact them with any safeguarding concerns.

Uniforms

You may have noticed some of your children wearing the Bright Stars Day Nursery uniform.

If your child is 2.5-5 years old and you would like to order uniform for them, please speak to a member of staff to request a uniform order form.



Fire drill

Every school and nursery needs to carry out fire drills on a regular basis, as it helps children and staff to know what to do.

Fire drills can help children understand what fire safety is all about and remind them of the location of emergency routes and assembly points.

Our last fire drill was on Friday 25th August 2023 and it took us 1 minute and 10 seconds to leave the building.

The children were so smart, they did a brilliant job and finished the task with a lot of success.

Parents reminders

- Please ensure you close the gate behind you after you enter/exit the premises.
- No mobile phone cameras policy: Please put your phone away before you enter the nursery's premises.
- Please provide extra clothes, wipes and nappies for your child throughout the week.
- Please label your child's clothes as we are unable to identify them if not properly labelled.
- Please make sure your child doesn't bring any toys to the nursery, we will not be responsible for any toys that are lost.
- Please return the nursery's spare clothes.
- Please make sure your child doesn't bring any money/coins to the nursery in their pockets.
- Please ensure you collect your child on time to avoid late collection fees.
- **Parents and carers are advised not to bring nuts (or anything containing nuts) into the nursery for health and safety reasons. Some children have severe nut allergies and therefore cannot be anywhere near nuts.**

New staff



Ms Hajira
Nursery Assistant



Ms Norma
Nursery Cook

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