



# Selwyn Nursery

## NEWSLETTER

20/04/18

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last term in the academic year and I believe you had a wonderful time with your little ones during the Easter Holidays.

The countdown has begun for us to move in to our new school building. This is a very busy time not only because of the scale of the task but also because we are entering into the school's assessment period. To ensure the decant programme is executed safely, and to minimise disruption to learning, I'd like to remind you that the school will be closed on the following days: Thursday 24 May, Friday 25 May, Monday 4 June & Tuesday 5 June.

Summer term is officially here and I hope this means the good weather is on its way too. As we are focusing on Minibeasts this half term, the children will be doing lots of exploring and investigation activities in the outdoor area. They will have the opportunity to use different tools like magnifying glasses to get close and personal as they interact with the natural world looking for minibeasts.

I would like to thank you all for your understanding and co-operation regarding the change in our morning routines.

Kind regards,

Constance Amankwah

EYFS Lead (Nursery Teacher)

### Diary Dates

23 Apr	Leyton Orient – Yr 4
24 Apr	Swimming restarts – Yr 4
26 Apr	Southend Aquarium Trip – Yr 1
	Nurse Drop-In Session 8.30 - 9.30 am
30 Apr	Tennis Competition – Yrs 3/4
4 May	Coffee Morning – Assessments 9 – 10 am
7 May	KS1 SATs week
14 May	KS2 SATs week
	Healthy School Week
	Walk to School Week
18 May	Coffee Morning – Phonics Suntrap – Reception

### Nursery Attendance

Here at Selwyn nursery we believe that every child has a right to have a good start in the foundation stage of their education. To achieve this we need to work with you and your child, by first, ensuring that your child attends nursery for their allocated session as possible.

Group	WB: 06/11/17
2 Year Provision	85%
Elm Am	79%
Elm PM	83%
Elm FT	90%

### Messages to Parents

We are hoping the hot weather is here to stay so can we please remind you to bring a sunhat with your child's name clearly written inside and apply sun cream before their session.

Thank you.

### This week in Nursery

We have started our first week back with lots of exploring and investigating. On our first day back we were lucky enough to find two snails in our garden, we have took them in and they've become our little nursery pets named Sally and Sal. The children have discussed the different foods the snail can eat; spoke about where he lives and how gentle we have to be with them. On Wednesday we took part in Enterprise day where the children got to design their favourite Minibeast and then voted on which one would win, this ended with a draw between butterflies and ladybirds. We will continue to learn about Minibeasts throughout this half term.



### How to help your child at home

Learning through play is one of the fun ways in which children learn to take ownership, concentrate and feel good about what do. Please see a range of playthings you can to support your child's learning at home:

- Search for minibeasts in an outdoor area.
- Practise name writing.
- Practise counting and number recognition. Eg: Count the steps in your house.
- What can you identify in your environment?