



SPRING 2023

NEWSLETTER

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Dates for your diary

FEBRUARY

- 15th - Maths parent workshop
- 17th - Break up for the half term holiday
- 20th-24th - HALF TERM HOLIDAY (1 week)
- 27th - Back to school (spring 2)

MARCH

- 1st - Planned teacher strike action day (potential partial school closure)
- 8th - Jakeman World Book Day celebration (parents welcome)
- 22nd—World Water Day
- 31st—Break up for the Easter holiday

APRIL

- 3rd-14th - EASTER HOLIDAY (2 weeks)
- 17th - STAFF TRAINING DAY (closed to chn)
- 18th - Back to school (Summer 1)

MAY

- 1st - Bank Holiday (school closed)
- 8th - Bank Holiday King's Coronation (closed)
- 26th - Break up for the half term holiday
- 29th-2nd - HALF TERM HOLIDAY (1 week)

JUNE

- 5th - STAFF TRAINING DAY (closed to chn)
- 6th - Back to school (Summer 2)



Head Teacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have settled into the spring term beautifully and are starting to enjoy the lighter days and slightly warmer temperatures. The children are very much enjoying the outdoor learning environment at the moment... we are even ready to carry out our spring planting later in February.

I'd like to welcome all of our new January starter children—it has been lovely getting to know new faces and families over the last few weeks. We are always so amazed by how quickly children settle into nursery and pick up our routine.

We have some exciting events and workshops coming up after half term so do jot down the dates for your diary—these will always be on the website calendar too.

<https://www.jakeman.bham.sch.uk/page/calendar/>

We have spent the last few months developing our curriculum further; our curriculum and pedagogy document is also on the website should you want to take a look. You can always talk to any member of our staff about our curriculum, particularly about what is happening in nursery at the moment.

As you may know, we are an established GOLD Rights Respecting School (award received in June 2021). We continue to put children's rights (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) at the forefront of our practice and teach children about their rights and their role as rights holders. When you can, talk to your child about their rights and find out more about how children access their rights at school.

As always, reach out if you need anything, have a query or have any feedback for us. *Sam*



If you have not yet activated your child's online learning platform (Tapestry), please speak to a member of our office team who will be happy to help with this.

THE 'ABCDE' OF CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

Rights are for ALL
Rights are there at BIRTH
Rights CANNOT be taken away
Rights DO NOT have to be earned
All rights are EQUALLY important

OUR RIGHTS RESPECTING PLEDGE

We have the right to rest and play,
We have the right to learn our way,
We have the right to food and drink,
We have the right to talk and think,
We teach each other about our rights,
To help all children have a choice.

Executive Head Teacher: Samantha Richards

Senior Nursery Manager: Janine Maidment

Teacher: Jason Lee

Office Manager: Vicky Brennan

Office Admin Assistant: Amna Bibi

Nursery Practitioners:

Kaneez Rafique, Naz Ali, Sabah Kabir, Shazeha Akhtar, Farkhanda Jabeen & Shazia Badaruddin

WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

Children's rights are learned, understood and lived in this school.



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IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities>

Coughs and colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or cold. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes.

Sore throat

You can still send your child to school if they have a sore throat. But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away.

Conjunctivitis

You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis. Do get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.

Ringworm

If your child has ringworm, see a pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case, see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Vomiting and diarrhoea

Children with diarrhoea or vomiting should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

High temperature

If your child has a high temperature, keep them off school until it goes away.

Chickenpox

If your child has chickenpox, keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

Ear infection

If your child has an ear infection and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.

Scarlet fever

If your child has scarlet fever, they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Attendance autumn term	
	Attendance %
Big nursery	74%
Little nursery	79%
All	78%
Attendance spring term so far	
	Attendance %
Big nursery	84%
Little nursery	83%
All	83%

We understand children get ill .
See left for the NHS advice of when children are too ill for school.

Whilst attendance is far lower than we would like, there has been improvement since January 😊

RRSA links:

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 3: best interests of the child
Article 28: Right to an education

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day. Let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason. If the phone is engaged, please leave a message.

BREAKFAST PROVISION AND AFTER SCHOOL PROVISION FOR FULL TIME CHILDREN

Did you know we offer breakfast provision from 8:30am - 9:00am and afterschool provision from 3:00pm - 3:30pm? This is an option for all full time children that currently attend nursery from 9am - 3pm. Speak to a member of our office team if you would like further information.



PLACES AVAILABLE

We currently have places for 2, 3 and 4 year olds. Places can be government funded, college funded or fee paying. Please spread the word if you know anyone with young children who may want a place.



ORAL HEALTH FOR UNDER 5 YEAR OLDS

Smiley Shen encourages us to keep our teeth clean and healthy.

Help your child/children to:

- Brush their teeth for two minutes, twice a day from (6 months of age or as soon as the first tooth erupts)
- Use horizontal brush strokes or circular movements around teeth and gums (vertical up & down movements can damage the gums)
- Use an age appropriate tooth brush and toothpaste
- Avoid rinsing with water after brushing, just spit out any excess toothpaste
- Visit the dentist regularly
- Make sensible choices around sugary foods and drinks
- Use age appropriate drinking vessels such as free flow beakers
- Talk about oral health and keeping their teeth healthy



Startwell

Smiley Shen



SAFEGUARDING AND ONLINE SAFETY

If you have any concerns regarding children's welfare, please let us know. Safeguarding is of the utmost importance to us. All our policies can be found on our website, including our safeguarding and child protection policy. www.jakeman.bham.sch.uk

Keeping children safe online

We all have a part to play in keeping children safe online. Find out how with our online safety guides.

Internet safety (e-safety) is constantly in the news and is growing in relevance for us all. You may find these websites helpful in supporting your child when using the internet.

www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents

<https://www.o2.co.uk/help/online-safety>



Let's keep kids safe online

Shaping Us



SHAPING US CAMPAIGN

The Princess of Wales has launched the 'Shaping Us' campaign to raise awareness of the importance of Early Childhood. Here you can take a look at the campaign website:

<https://shapingus.centreforearlychildhood.org/>

During early childhood, from pregnancy to the age of five, brains develop at an amazing rate – faster than at any other time in our lives.

The video of the campaign can be found here:

https://youtu.be/3Y_5N1bDWB4

If you are interested in learning more about the science of early childhood, try this video: Early Childhood Science Explained

<https://youtu.be/TVN1DJbzAUM>