



Dear Parents & Carers,

We welcome our new staff member **Bismah Khan** who joins us in place of Sharon. We hope you will join us in welcoming her to our setting.

INSET day closure reminder

Friday 27th March - Little Ellies is CLOSED FOR ALL for our last Staff training session this financial year.

Parent Workshops

The upcoming dates are:

- Monday 9th March - Early Communication (led by Maariyah & Elisabeta)
- Monday 16th March - Home Learning Environment (led by Fiza)
- Monday 20th April - Becoming a Maths Champion (led by Tamzin)
- Monday 11th May - Potty Training (Sarah & Flutera)
- Monday 18th May - Oral Health & Keeping Healthy (Ferdowse)

These sessions will take place at 2.30pm and should be no longer than 20 minutes. Please come and join us in the training rooms.

Targeted Learning Time

This half term we have started a new way to target learning gaps, 1 to 1 with their key person. This will help to support attainment progress and provide some quality learning time.

Planting Project

The warmer months are slowly upon us and the planting season has begun. We have started growing our bean plants which we will plant in our Nursery. We ask that if you are able to donate any vegetable seeds, it will be very much appreciated!

Beckton Globe - Library Visit

This term we will be driving our new project called **Love of Reading!**

We will begin our journey with weekly visits to Beckton Library. We will require parents consent to share your child's name, date of birth and your address to create a library card for each child which we will keep hold of for the purpose of borrowing books. A sign up consent sheet will be shared with you. We ask that you provide a bag that will accommodate a picture book for your child. This book will go home with your child and will be required to stay in their bag so that we can change it every week. We are trying our best to book Wednesday slots so that all children can access the service.

Reporting Absence

It has come to our notice that absence is not being reported by calling the setting or emailing. We are often having to leave the room to make these calls when a child has not attended their session. This has implications for ratio and cover. **Please can we request all parents to call us on 020 7511 1276 on the morning your child is absent and ensure you have spoken to a member of staff. This must be done each day they are absent**, as we have a duty of care to ensure all attendance is being monitored and effective support is put in place to actively engage with families to establish good routines for children. This is also now one of the main criterias for the new Ofsted Inspection process

and we want to ensure we can successfully overcome barriers and nurture good attendance. **Alternatively**, please email us at childcare@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk

Teaching and Learning this month

February's Books of the Month

Babies	Toddlers	Pre School
You're my little Cuddle Bug	When I am Feeling Kind	Jack and the Beanstalk

March's Books of the Month

Babies	Toddlers	Pre School
The Very Hungry Caterpillar eats Breakfast	The Very Hungry Caterpillar	

March Events

Events this month

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March - DRESS UP AS A CHARACTER DAY

To celebrate World Book Day at Ellen Wilkinson, we will be encouraging children to dress up as their favourite character from a book they have read. The best/inventive dress wins some Smyths vouchers!!!

Come and do some storytelling with us on Thursday 6th March from 2pm.



Mother's Day Picnic - Friday 13th March - 10am

Come and join us for a healthy brunch at 10am and join in with some creative fun!

Easter & Eid Children's Party - Wednesday 25th March

Children will learn about Easter and Eid celebrations as we participate in egg hunts, moon and stars biscuit making and other activities.

This is only for children. If you wish to provide food and baked goods on this day, we ask that you speak to a member of staff regarding dietary requirements. Thank you

Nursery Diary Dates

March 2026	
5th	World Book Day - Dress Up in Book Characters
13th	Mother's day Coffee Morning
25th	Easter party & Eid celebration
26th	Last day (term time/FEE only Children)
27th	CLOSEDOWN DAY (3) Nursery closed to all children.

If you have any questions, please note that you can call the setting on **0207 511 1276** and an appointment will be arranged for you to discuss any questions or concerns with the Room leaders or a member of the Management team. Thank you for taking the time to read over our newsletter. Thank you for choosing us as your daycare provider!

Kind Regards,
Sheleena Laskar
(Manager)