



James Lee Nursery Spring Newsletter 2018



Hope you all had a lovely winter break and are ready for the New School Year!

A special welcome to all new parents and children to James Lee Nursery School. Every term you will receive a newsletter where you will find information about activities planned for each term and general information about the school.

You can find a copy of this newsletter and lots of other information – including school term dates on our Federation website www.bjlfed.lbhf.sch.uk Paper copies are also available at reception.



Curriculum Planning:

We do not have a planned topic each term. At James Lee we prefer “Planning in the Moment” and focus more on child initiated play. Please see the board in the entrance hall for more information or speak to your child’s keyworker.

School Clothing:

An important part of the EYFS curriculum is for children to explore and learn through play. This means that children will be involved in many different and **often messy** sensory experiences both inside and outside the classroom. Bearing this in mind please ensure children are suitably dressed in clothes that can get messy.



Spare clothes bag:

Please remember to check your child’s change of clothes bag **at the end of each day** to see if it needs topping up.

Note: Please put your child’s name in their clothing.

Labelling your child’s clothing

Could we ask all parents to label their children’s clothing in particular coats, hats, scarfs and gloves. As you can appreciate it can be very difficult to keep track of 60 coats, 60 hats, 60 scarfs and 120 gloves!! Could you also ensure your child has spare socks in their bag.

Please join us in welcoming Lisa Furlong to the team. Lisa will be helping us in the nursery for the Spring and Summer terms.

Book Lending Library:

Please remember to choose a book with your child to take home and read together.

We also have an excellent selection of books in home languages.



School Lunch:

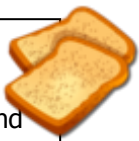
Please pay lunch money on Monday mornings for the week ahead. Lunch is £1.80 per day, £9 per week. If you wish to pay in advance for a term or half a term, please see Marie and she will advise you of the amount. Please make cheques payable to James Lee Nursery School.

Breakfast club / Friday Crèche

Breakfast club runs from 8- 9am and cost £3.50 per session. Crèche is on Fridays from 12.30 – 2.45pm and costs £7.50 per session.

Priority goes to working/studying parents.

If you book a place for the Crèche or Breakfast Club and need to cancel please give us 24 hours’ notice or you will still be charged.



Scooters and Buggies:

Please place scooters in the scooter shed as neatly as possible as space is limited. Please write your child’s name on their scooter. Please take buggies home with you as we have very limited space.

Thank You.



Monday Singalong sessions!

Our sing-a-long sessions have now started and the children are really involved and exercising their vocal chords! If you are able to come along then please do, siblings also welcome! Sessions are every Monday at 2.20pm.



Forest School

Forest School sessions will start again on Wednesday 21 February. Your keyworker will inform you if your child has been selected for the first group. Pictures will be up on the plasma screen in the reception area to keep you updated on all the fun they had.

James Lee Eco Mugs

Eco mugs are on sale for £6.50 each. The money raised will be used to purchase a plant pot with the school's Eco Logo on it which will be displayed at the school entrance.

Happy Notes:

We value your contribution to your child's profile. Please share something that has happened at home e.g. a special event, a trip, reading a book together or helping to cook something. Happy notes are available by reception or from your child's keyworker.

Lateness

Children have been arriving and being collected late. The school gates close at 9.20am and 3pm. Please make sure you are here before then. If you arrive after 9.20 you must sign in the late register stating the reason why. If you are going to be late for collecting your child please phone the school to let them know.

DIARY DATES:

6 February- Coffee Morning
19 February – School closed – Inset Training
1 March – St David's Day
5 – 9 March – Waste week
17 – 23 March – Sport Relief
30 March – 15 April – School Closed
16 April – First Day of Summer Term

Please do not use your mobile devices on the school premises, this is school policy and is in line with regulations regarding safeguarding of children.



30 Hours Free Childcare

Parents who are eligible for 30 hours free childcare are entitled to a free place in the Friday Crèche. Please ask at reception for further details, you can also check if you are eligible by visiting www.childcarechoices.gov.uk.

Regular Reminders:

Fruit for snack:

There is a box on the reception desk to receive donations of fruit and vegetables.



Tissues

Please bring in a box of tissues for use in the classrooms.



Voluntary Fund:

Please remember to bring in your voluntary contribution of £1 on Monday mornings. This goes towards cooking ingredients, theatre groups, visits, etc.



Work Folders:

Please regularly check your child's folder for their work to take home.

Birthdays:

Fruit only please – no cake or sweets.

Spring Half term is from Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February.
School is also closed on Monday 19th February for Inset Training

Children return to school on Tuesday 20th February