

Autumn Term
September 2021

The Greenfields Gazette

Welcome to the Autumn Term!

Firstly, we would like to send a huge congratulations to Dani (from our Little Room) and Simon on the birth of baby Alyssa!

We would also like to welcome all our new families. Everyone seems to be settling into nursery life, but please know that we are here to support you through the settling in process and will always make ourselves available if you need to chat to one of us.

After a difficult 18 months we are slowly returning to normal including welcoming parents/carers into the Big and Little Rooms at pick up times. We are staying with the morning drop off system at the gate, as it works well and helps promote independence for your child. Just a gentle reminder about drop off times, if you are booked in from 9am we are unable to accept children any earlier due to ratios.

We hope you have noted your child's keyworker and although the key worker is responsible for keeping your child's learning journey, we work as a team and any one of us in the room will be able to help you with queries or questions.

We are always delighted to receive your child's observations from home on Blossom, as it enables us to form a more accurate picture of your child's progress-

Dates for your diary

Autumn Term 1

Monday 6th September to
Friday 22nd October (7
Weeks)

Half Term

Monday 25th October to
Friday 29th October

Autumn Term 2

Monday 1st November to
Friday 17th December (7
Weeks)

CLOSED FOR

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Spring Term 1

Tuesday 4th January -
Friday 18th February (7
Weeks)



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How can parents make and send observations?

- [Parent App](#) > [Journey](#) > [Home Observations](#) > [Add](#) > [Upload a photo or video](#) > [Type the details of the observation](#) > [Send Observation](#)

In the Big Room-

We will be focusing on the topic 'All About Me'. We have started by talking about ourselves, our bodies and the things that are similar and the things that make us all unique. We are currently encouraging the children to do self-portraits which we are displaying on a board in the main entrance.

Next, we will move on to emotions. How do we feel? what makes us happy, sad, angry etc. And how we can make ourselves and others feel better.

We will also be talking about our families and how each of our families may consist of varying family members. With this in mind, we would love the children to bring in a copy of a family photo for us to display on our families board.

We have created a lending library to help you read with your child at home. This is located in the Big Room entrance. Please take a look and help yourselves to a book (signing it out and in).

In the Little Room -

Firstly, we would like to welcome Jane (previously from the Big Room) into the Little Room.

Now we are welcoming you back into Nursery at pick up times, we will be reducing some of our Blossom diary entries. We will still be sending details of breakfast, sleeptimes and tea and a picture of our daily white board.

You will see that we have a new tree in our room, which we will be changing with the seasons. This term we will be dressing it for Autumn. We also hope to make an Autumn sensory tray and welcome your contributions - if you go on any family walks you could collect some pinecones, conkers, leaves, funny shaped sticks or anything else that you might find. Perhaps you could take some pictures of your walks and send them to us so we can put them on our wall. The children love looking at pictures of themselves and this can be a lovely talking point for them.

During our circle times we would like to start introducing a 'show and tell' section, to give the children a chance to talk about their experiences outside of nursery. This could be photographs of pets or people who are special to them, something they have found on a walk, a toy, anything! We may need a brief description of what it is or where you have been, so we can help them chat about their experiences.

This term we have added 'Multi Sports' sessions, with our sports coach Matty, into our weekly activities and the children seem to have all really enjoyed it! The sessions are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, so please could children wear suitable shoes for this activity, as we do a lot of running and jumping!

In the Baby Room-

This half term we will be looking at the change of season, and how harvest changes life on the farm. We have some new harvest songs to learn as well as making a start on our scarecrow display. We will be having lots of fun exploring lots of Autumn treasures in a safe and accessible way.

We will still be wanting to enjoy our outside space, so if your child does have a puddle suit this will come in really handy.

Lastly, we would like to welcome our new team member Hannah into our room. You may well have met her on the door and she will be doing Mondays and Thursdays.

Kindest Regards
Pam, Lesley and Team

