

### Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term, we hope to soon be enjoying longer and warmer days so it is time to make the most of the parks and outdoor spaces. Please take the time to talk to your children about what they see around them. Nature is so interesting and there is so much for the children to learn as they look at the flowers growing, listen to the birds singing and enjoy running around in the open spaces.

We welcome Malgorzata our Extended Services Manager back from maternity Leave this term and sadly say goodbye to Roshani Asokarajan, Admin Assistant. Roshani has made a significant contribution to the Centre over the past three years and we wish her all the best for the future.

The children will be working on a summer project with the artists and we hope to further develop the sculpture garden at Bixley Triangle which we established last summer. Keep an eye out for the children's creative work as you are in and out of the Centre.

**Ellie Larkin**  
Head of Centre

### Diary Dates

**Summer Term**  
**16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Bank Holiday – Centre Closed</b>
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Sponsored Event</b>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Photographer</b>
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Spring Bank Holiday – Centre Closed</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> May – 1 <sup>st</sup> June	<b>Half Term – Nursery School Closed</b>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Transition Workshop</b>
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Curriculum Day</b>
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Parent Consultation Meetings</b>
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>International Evening</b>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Training Day – Centre Closed</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Occasional Days – Nursery School Closed</b>



We have used the Disability Access Fund to enhance the Early Intervention Garden with some climbing equipment to challenge the children's physical skills.

The children in the Early Intervention Group and from the Over Three's have enjoyed climbing up the steps and climbing wall and whizzing down the slide. We have also purchased a trampoline for the Over Three's garden which is being very well used on a daily basis.

All of the new equipment has enhanced the environment and provision for the children.

Parents who read with their children encourage a love for books and a desire for learning. Reading with your child everyday will make the biggest difference to their early reading skills.

**Greenfields library is open Monday – Friday**  
**Over three's 8.20am and 12.20pm**  
**Under three's at the beginning of each session**  
**Term Time Only**

# Dinosaurs



The children in the Over Three's have been exploring dinosaurs as part of their project work.

They have been designing their own dinosaur play world which they will be creating this term using a range of materials and resources.

Before Easter the children were able to see dinosaurs hatching from an egg over the week. As you can imagine the children were very excited at this and this generated a lot of talk from them.

## Transport project

The children in the Disraeli room have been working on their project about different types of transport. We have been out on outings and taken photos of buses and vans. On our return we explored large boxes; transforming them into our very own vehicles. The children had lots of fun painting on a large scale; using brushes, rollers and their hands.

