

### Welcome back

We hope you had a lovely half term break and managed to get out and about to enjoy the outdoors. Our newsletter keeps you updated with news and events and what we have planned for this half term.

### Eid

We will be celebrating Eid in school from the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May. Children will have the opportunity to learn all about Eid through a variety of experiences.

The children will be:  
Sharing books about Eid  
Dressing up in traditional clothes  
Creating mehndi patterns  
Tasting food  
Listening and moving to music.

We will update you via Tapestry about what we have all learned and enjoyed.

### Parent Workshops: UNICEF Rights Respecting School Award

We are very excited to welcome parents into school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May from 9-9.30am for an information session on our UNICEF Rights Respecting School Award. This is a slight change to our calendar from a Maths focus, as we are very excited to share with you that we will be seeking reaccreditation as a Gold Rights Respecting School this academic year. We will now focus on this for our scheduled parent session, as we would like to share with you all of the exciting things happening in Nursery.



### Eid

All the staff at Goodway wish all of our friends and families a wonderful Eid.



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### Eggs arriving!

This half term we will be having eggs arriving at Nursery! This will link to our Core book: Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins.

The children will have the opportunity to observe the eggs and chicks as they grow and change.

We will be introducing new vocabulary, linked to our core book, and the life cycle process such as egg, hatch, egg tooth, chick, hen, life cycle, change.

We will be talking about the life cycle of the chick and will watch them hatch and grow. We cannot wait to experience this wonder first hand!



### Trip to Twycross Zoo 13<sup>th</sup> July

We are very excited to share with you that we will be going to Twycross Zoo on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Look out for an email with costs and information!

### Core Rhymes

Singing rhymes helps children learn about rhythm and rhyme to help with pre reading skills. It is also great fun!

This half term we will be singing:

**Poppies & Sunflowers (3-4 year olds):**

**Old MacDonald had a farm**

**BINGO- There was a farmer had a dog**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9mmF8zOlh\\_g](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9mmF8zOlh_g)

**Farmers in his den**

**Daisies (2-3 year olds):**

**Chick, chick, chick, chicken**

**Old MacDonald had a farm**

**The pigs on the farm go oink, oink, oink**

**Five little monkeys jumping on the bed**

### May Bank Holiday

Please note Nursery will be closed on Monday 2nd May due to the public Bank Holiday.

We will be open as normal from Tuesday 3rd May.

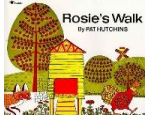
## Core books we will be reading this half term

We focus upon particular books each half term to read to the children regularly so that children develop a bank of well known and loved stories.

You can help by getting the stories from your local library and reading it at home to your child.

These stories will be a stimulus for imaginative role play, mark making, creating models and many other learning opportunities.

### Poppies & Sunflowers (3-4 year olds):



Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rYulNlGW1A> Link to watch Rosie's Walk



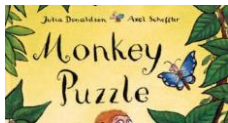
The Enormous Turnip – a traditional story

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mGw5yTOPTSQ> Link to watch The Enormous Turnip

### Daisies (2-3 year olds):

**A Busy Day for Birds** by Lucy Cousins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rPThRJA9cZ0> Link to hear the story



Monkey Puzzle by Julia Donaldson

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DgeKHjLSQUM> Link to hear the story

## Makaton signs

Makaton is designed to support spoken language – signs are used alongside speech to help children to communicate.

**Poppies and Sunflowers:** eggs, hatch, chick, egg tooth

**Daisies:** egg, chick

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cYAraSsq3Gw>

Makaton for chick

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0E6xgiTPUoc>

Makaton for egg

## Sun Cream

As the weather improves, please make sure that you have applied sun cream to your child prior to Nursery. You can send in a labelled bottle of sun cream for your child to use whilst at Nursery.

## We're learning to say 'hello' in Bulgarian

We teach children to say hello in a different language each half term.

This half term we are learning to say hello in Bulgarian, which is **Zdraveite**, pronounced 'Strazdee'

## Fathers/ Carers Stay and Play session:

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am- 9.45am

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am- 9.45am

To celebrate Fathers/ Carers Day, we will be inviting Dads and carers in to school to participate in lots of fun activities with your child.

## Sports Day:

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 9.15-10am

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 9.15-10am

Come along and join your child with fun sporting activities at Nursery!

## Photographer :

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June am and pm group photographs.

## Learning at home

Remember to look on Tapestry to see what your child has been learning.

We suggest 'next steps' for your child's learning and development on their Tapestry observations that you can access and also add your own pictures and comments.

More ideas for learning at home are available on our website under the 'Teaching & Learning' section.

[www.goodwayn.bham.sch.uk](http://www.goodwayn.bham.sch.uk)

Please choose a book each week to read with your child and read with them every day. Sharing a story together every day is the most important thing you can do to support your child's early reading development.

## Half Term break

We are closed for the May half term from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June inclusive. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.