

Dear Parents and Carers,

1st – 30th March: 30 days Froebel. One activity a day for you to do with your family.

How are you getting on with #30daysFroebel? Please do send in photos, videos, comments as we would love to know.

Friedrich Froebel was an inspiring educator and his principles guide all we do at Guildford Nursery School.

One such principle is about **Creativity** and the power of symbols:

“A Froebelian approach to creativity is about children representing their own ideas in their own way”

Consequently, at Guildford Nursery School:

- We offer many first-hand sensory experiences so children want to talk and represent.
- Children have daily access to workshop areas to create and make, including paint, clay and woodwork.
- Children have the opportunity to play, to imagine, to take risks.
- We provide opportunities for children to make their inner worlds outer, to tell their stories.
- Children have the freedom to make and create but with a growing understanding of the possibilities and limitations of materials.
- Adults support and encourage offering guidance when needed.

Being creative and becoming a symbol-user are vitally important skills which lead to being a better, more imaginative writer in the future.



However, creativity can be very messy! We always encourage children to wear aprons but, even with an apron, a young child seems to be able to get paint, clay etc. everywhere! Please send your child to nursery in clothes that you don't mind getting dirty.

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The eggs have arrived in each nursery. They should start hatching this week so expect your child to tell you all about the chicks.



We are having great fun today in the snow!



Reminder:

We have a **breakfast club** at Hazel Avenue every day of the week from 8am.

We have a **tea club** at both Hazel Avenue and York Road on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays until 4.30pm.

You can either book your child in for regular sessions or you can book ad hoc sessions when you need them, assuming of course that we have spaces. Please ask at or email reception if you are interested.

If you have any queries, concerns or just want to know more about Guildford Nursery School and Family Centre, please do get in contact with me via reception or by emailing Trini on pa@guildfordnscs.surrey.sch.uk

Kind regards

Sally

(Headteacher)



Dates for your diary:

Week beginning 20th March: Come and play Froebel sessions in nursery, any adult member of the family is welcome.

Friday 31st March: Term ends at 12pm.

Tuesday 18th April: Children return to nursery.

Saturday 29th April 10am-12pm: Froebel Festival at both York Road and Hazel Avenue. Bring the whole family to see our nursery and discover what we offer the children.

Friday 26th May: Nursery closed.

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June: Half-term.

Monday 5th June: Nursery closed for staff training.