

# Newsletter Spring/Summer 2025

## Welcome to our Spring Term Newsletter.

We are delighted to welcome our new children and families to BEYA this term. We hope that your child is settling into their new routine.

We want to work closely with you throughout your child's time with us, so please do not hesitate to speak with your child's key person if there is something you feel we should know about, or anything you would like to ask – we are here to help and support.

## Huff & Puff

Our fundraising events throughout the year make such a difference to our schools. We will be having our **'Huff & Puff' fundraising event on Wednesday 7 May**. This is our main fundraiser of the year, across our three nurseries. This event helps to raise funds for new outdoor resources – please do all you can to support them. This also promotes the benefits and importance of regular physical activity.



## Moving to reception

If your child will be leaving nursery and moving to Reception in September 2025, you will find out which school you have been offered, by email, on Wednesday 16 April 2025. Please let your child's key person know what school your child has been offered and if happy with the decision, remember to accept the place.



## Instagram

To see some of the lovely activities the children are doing at nursery, please follow us on Instagram and 'like and comment' on our pictures.



[@brookhillnursery](#) [@stmargaretsnurserybarnet](#) [@hampden\\_way\\_nursery](#)

Also, please click here to follow our [BEYA Facebook](#) page



## Book Bags

**Thank you for remembering to bring your child's book bag each week! We hope you are enjoying sharing books together and singing our core rhymes.**

**“Parents from all types of background can give their children a real head start in their education by introducing them to rhymes at a young age.” (Bookstart)**

## Reminders

**Vaccinations** Please remember to inform us if your child has had vaccinations or if they are unwell as we have vulnerable staff.

**Arrival time** Please arrive at nursery on time for your session. This is beneficial for your child and will help to prepare them for the routine when they start school. Please also remember to be on time when collecting your child. Doors open at 11.25, 3pm and 3.25pm.



## Emerald & Sapphire Room (& Diamond Room at Brookhill)

**Wednesday 16 July, 3.45-4.45pm**

Please join us for our leavers' party. This will be a lovely opportunity to get together, celebrate the year and say goodbye to our leavers.

**Children should be accompanied by a parent/carer during this time.**

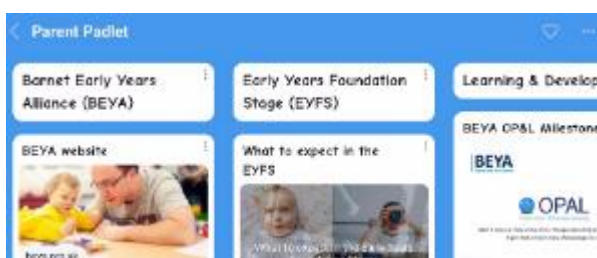
## Parent Padlet



Our Parent Padlet is a useful one-stop-shop, including a recording of our BEYA

welcome session. It includes everything from our curriculum to advice on nutrition and speech and language development. Links get added regularly and if you come across a useful link that you would like to add, please let us know.

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## Valuing Childhood – Limiting Screen Time

**Friday 28 March, 9.30am, St Margaret's Nursery School** (this is a face to face session)

Discussion around what makes a happy childhood and the the pros and cons of screen time for young children.

## Am I ready for school – supporting the transition

**Thursday 12 June, 10 – 10.30am**

For many children, this will be their last term at a BEYA Nursery School and we look forward to working with you to support their exciting transition to reception class in Primary School. Please click here to join the session.

## FREE Training

The Whittington NHS trust has courses accessible for professionals and families. The sessions are free to Barnet professionals and families with a Barnet address. Session cover a range of topics from speech and language, sensory processing to fussy eaters. The program is updated termly. Please [click here](#) to see what is available and to book a place.

## September 2025

Our spaces are filling fast but we do have spaces across our three nurseries in September. Please help to spread the word about our nurseries to friends, family and on any social media platforms or local groups that you follow. If you have a local business and would be willing to put up a poster, please let us know. Also if your child will be returning to nursery in September and you would like to change or increase their provision, please email [admissions@beya.org.uk](mailto:admissions@beya.org.uk). Thank you.

## NEW Free Childcare Offer



From September 2025, working parents of all children, from the term after their child turns 9 months will be entitled to 30 hours of free childcare. Parents will need to apply to receive their eligibility code. For more information visit [How to apply](#). Please speak to us if you have any questions

[Childcare Choices](#) | [30 Hours Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More](#) | [Help with Costs](#) | [GOV.UK](#)

## Governor Vacancies

**We have 2 vacancies across BEYA schools for a parent and co-opted governor.** The governing board provides strategic leadership and accountability. We are particularly looking for people with the following skills: fundraising and building knowledge. More information will follow separately.

**As a governor you will be able to:**

- Develop and utilise your skills
- Make a valuable contribution to education and your community
- Support and challenge the school so that it improves for pupils and staff
- Bring unique experiences, perspectives and insights in to decision making

If you would like to know more please email our headteacher at [kbrooker@beya.org.uk](mailto:kbrooker@beya.org.uk)

## Rain or Shine!

Please remember, we play outside in all weathers. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather e.g. rain coats, sunhats and as the sun gets stronger, please remember to apply sun cream to your child before nursery.



## Staffing news

Congratulations to Donna on the birth of her baby girl and we would also like to wish Arlinda all the very best for her upcoming maternity leave.

A very special good luck and farewell to Beverley. Beverley has been part of the team at St Margaret's for 28 years. Beverley has had a very long association with the Nursery Schools, attending Hampden Way herself as a young child. Thank you Beverley for all you have done, you will be very much missed.

We would like to welcome our new staff to the Federation and are also delighted to welcome Julian back to Brookhill, working two days a week.

## Dates for your diary

**Wednesday 16 April** – Primary school offer day

**Wednesday 23 April** – First day back for children

**Wednesday 7 May** – Huff & Puff

**Wednesday 16 July** – Leavers Party, 3.45 – 4.45pm (3 & 4 year olds)

# BEYA Term Dates 2024 – 2025

Autumn Term 2024	
Children return to nursery on Wednesday 4 September 2024	
Autumn 1:	2 September 2024 - 25 October 2024
Inset days:	2, 3 September 2024 (school closed to children)
Half term holiday	28 October 2024 - 1 November 2024
Autumn 2:	4 November 2024 - 20 December 2024
School holiday:	23 December 2024 - 3 January 2024
Last day of term Thursday 20 December 2024	
Spring Term 2025	
Children return to nursery on Tuesday 7 January 2025	
Spring 1:	6 January 2025 - 14 February 2025
Inset day:	6 January 2025 (school closed to children)
Half term holiday:	17 February 2025 - 21 February 2025
Spring 2:	24 February 2025 – 4 April 2025
School holiday:	7 April 2025 - 21 April 2025 (18 & 21 April Bank holiday)
Last day of term Friday 4 April 2025	
Summer Term 2025	
Children return to nursery on Wednesday 23 April 2025	
Summer 1:	22 April 2025 - 23 May 2025
Inset day:	22 April 2025 (school closed to children)
Bank holidays:	5 May 2025 and 26 May 2025
Half term holiday:	26 May 2025 - 30 May 2025
Summer 2:	2 June 2025 - 22 July 2025
Last day of term Tuesday 22 July 2025	

Holiday Provision
28 October – 1 November 2024
23, 24 December 2024
2, 3 January 2025
17 -21 February 2025
7 April – 17 April 2025
26 May - 30 May 2025
23 July – 16 August 2025