

GALLIARD PRIMARY SCHOOL



EYFS: Nursery Curriculum Statement and Newsletter Autumn Term 2025

Be the best that you can be!

Welcome to the Autumn Term!

We wish all Nursery children a very warm welcome and hope they will be happy at Galliard Nursery.

Tapestry

We use an online observation system called '**Tapestry**'. We will set up an account for you and you can download the Tapestry app on your phone to access pictures and observations of your children playing and learning at Nursery. Make sure you add your comments and upload photos and videos from home too. It's a great way to keep in touch! The QR code below will take you to Tapestry.



Susanne Davis - Nursery Teacher

Butterfly Class:

Susanne Davis – Nursery Teacher
Reanne Lee – Early Years Practitioner
Sophia Matheou - Early Years Practitioner

Bumblebee Class:

Emine Budhabhai – Senior Early Years Practitioner
Natasha Edwards – Early Years Practitioner
Yugal Oza – Early Years Practitioner

Assistant Headteacher, Early Years – Aimee Pemberton

Teaching and Learning

Our teaching and learning will be based on children's developmental needs, their interests, good quality story books and the natural world around them. We will also have daily story times and song/rhyme times.

Reading at Home

The children will take home a new book each week. Please help them to develop a love of books and stories by reading it with them and enjoying it together. Please remember to bring your child's book bag to school every day.

Forest Learning

Once a week your child will take part in forest learning on the school field. This involves natural exploratory play with activities that encourage problem solving and collaboration as well as developing children's physical skills and understanding of nature. Forest learning will take place in all weather, so if possible could you please provide your child with an all in one waterproof rain suit for them to wear during these sessions.

Clothing

Children spend a lot of time playing and learning outside every day. Please make sure they have suitable shoes and a jacket that they can take off and put on by themselves. Please provide a pair of welly boots that will stay in school for wet weather play.

It is important that your child has a spare set of clothes at Nursery. It is much easier if this is in a drawstring PE bag, as bulky backpacks make it difficult for children to use their pegs. Please ensure all clothes are labelled with your child's name.

Birthday cakes

A reminder that we are unable to accept cakes in school as this would compromise our 'healthy schools' status and we need to be careful about allergies. You may bring sealed sweets to hand out on birthdays. We will of course sing 'Happy Birthday' to your child on their special day!

Admission to Reception, September 2026

Transfer from Nursery to Reception is not automatic. Please make sure you apply for a place at <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>. This portal opens from the

middle of September.

Attendance

We would like all parents to know that our target for school attendance remains at 96%. Please report your child's absence from school before **8.15am or 12.15am** (depending on which session your child attends) by telephoning the school office and advise us of the reason for your child's absence. It is very important that you report the reason for every absence so we can effectively manage infection control in the school. Your co-operation would be greatly appreciated.

Jewellery

Please ensure your child does not wear any jewellery to school. Only stud earrings in pierced ears are permitted for safety reasons.

School Closures

Autumn Term:

- **Inset Days:** Monday 1st September and Tuesday 2nd September 2025 – school closed for children
- **Half Term:** Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October 2025
- **End of term:** Friday 19th December 2025 school closes at 2pm

Activity & Department Dates

Communication Pod Activities: w/b Monday 29th September

Photographs: Monday 6th October

Story Café: Tuesday 11th November

Children in Need – wear something yellow or spotty:
Friday 14th November

FOG Christmas Concert: TBA

Winter Jumper day: TBA

Carols around the Tree: TBA

Return to school: Monday 5th January 2025