

# **GALLIARD PRIMARY SCHOOL**



## **EYFS: Nursery Curriculum Statement and Newsletter Spring Term 2026**

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This Curriculum Statement can be accessed on our School  
website:

[www.galliardprimaryschool.co.uk-learning](http://www.galliardprimaryschool.co.uk-learning)

## **Welcome to the Spring Term!**

To the children that are returning, thank you for all your support last term. To the children that are new to our setting, we wish you a very warm welcome and hope your children will be happy at Galliard Nursery.

We will continue to use **Tapestry** this term and will once again send photos and observations of your children. Please check Tapestry regularly and please also upload photos and videos of things your child does at home. If you need help with logins and passwords, please speak to one of the Nursery Practitioners. The QR code below will take you straight 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, class stories, numbers

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.

### **Texts in School**

Over this term the children will be focusing on the books:

- Teacher / Doctor
- Danny goes to the Dentist
- Li's Chinese New Year
- The Train Ride
- Mr Gumpy's Outings
- We're going on a bear hunt
- The Easter Story

### **Mathematics**

The children will focus on:

- Subitising numbers 3 and 4
- 2D and 3D shapes
- Use language 'more than' and 'Fewer than'
- Show fingers to represent the numbers 3 and 4
- To look at and begin to describe a route to school
- To begin to look at simple AB patterns

### **Forest Learning**

This term 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.

Please make sure 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.

### **Admission to Reception, September 2026**

Transfer from Nursery to Reception is **NOT** automatic. Please make sure you apply for a place through [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk) as soon as possible, if you haven't already done so. The closing date for applications is 15/1/26. You also need to apply for a Nursery place online at [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk) if your child is not 4 before 31/8/26.

### **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.

**Nursery session times:** Gates open at:

8.30- 11.20 a.m.

12.30- 3.20 p.m.

**Gates close at:**

8.40 a.m.

11.30 a.m.

12.40 p.m.

3.30 p.m.

### **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**

### **Spring Term:**

- **Term Dates:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – School closing at 2pm
- **Inset Days:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 and Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026– school closed for children
- **Half Term:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026– Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- **Easter Holidays:** Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## **Activity & Department Dates**

**National Supervised Toothbrushing programme to start:**  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Dress up & special jungle lunch:** Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January

**Speech and Language parent workshop:** Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026, parents will be invited to the session.

**Story Café:** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026