

NEWSLETTER JUNE 2014

WELCOME

We would like to welcome our new pre-school attendee Millie Liddiard and hope she settles in comfortably to enjoy her time with us all.

SUN HATS AND CREAM

Please make sure your child has a sun hat and is wearing sun cream in this hot weather (let us know if you would like us to top this up during the session and if so, a spray is best if possible). Flip flops and Crocs are not ideal footwear and can be dangerous at times when the children are very active.

OFSTED

As you may know, we have been rated "Good In All Areas" by Ofsted (the best we could get as a new setting) and the full report is now available for you to read both on our website and Ofsted's. Thank you to everyone: the children, you parents and of course the staff, for helping us achieve this result.

GO APE

There are a handful of places left for our Summer fundraising event on Sunday 6th July from 2 p.m. If you are participating and haven't yet done so, please get your Justgiving Page going or use the form that can be downloaded from the website for face-to-face sponsorship. We can't wait to see you in your costume!!! For those of you that can't make it, please sponsor Hal or Sam as they are both doing the main course to raise money.

FUNDRAISING SUB-COMMITTEE

Thank you to those parents who have offered their services to help with fundraising. If anyone else is free to lend a hand on Sunday 6th July at Go Ape it would be greatly appreciated as many of us will be dressing up and swinging through the forest rather than at hand on the ground.

CAKE BAKING

We need parents to bake cakes for the Cheeky Monkey Tea Party at the Go Ape event. If you have the time or inclination we would love you to bake a monkey cake or little cupcakes or even a fun banana loaf for the children to enjoy. Please let one of the staff know if you are able to contribute.

SPORTS DAY 11TH JULY

We are holding our annual sports day on the Glebe Field on Friday July 11th. The children are already practising for the event that will start at 10 a.m. and finish at normal end-of-session time. Please let Jo know if you can make it as everyone is welcome even if it is not your normal attendance day.

LEAVERS PARTY 23RD JULY

Some of our children are starting school in September and we are having a party to wish them well and say goodbye on the last day of term, Wednesday 23rd July. All are welcome to join in. There will be presentations from 11 a.m. followed by a picnic on the Glebe Field.

PARENT AND STAFF MEAL 23RD JULY

There will be a get together for all parents and staff at the Goudhurst Inn at 8 p.m. on the last day of term, Wednesday 23rd July, before the long Summer holiday. Everyone is welcome. We will book a table for whoever would like to come so please let Jo know if you are interested. Everyone pays for themselves. If you simply want to join us for a drink after the meal that's also fine, we'd love to see you there.

DONATE WHILE YOU SHOP ONLINE

You can continue to raise funds for the pre-school by registering with Easyfundraising.co.uk so that each time you shop online, if you do so through that site, a percentage is donated. The retailers involved with this are extensive and span a range of sectors from holidays and travel to broadband providers and antivirus software. Supermarkets such as Asda and M&S are also listed for when you order your weekly groceries online.

TRAYS

Don't forget to check your child's tray in the cupboard at the far end of the hall for newsletters like this one, their contact book that is for both the staff and yourselves to write in as a form of communication and other bits and bobs you may need to take home.

AFTERNOON SESSIONS STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

We will be offering afternoon sessions until 3.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays next term. We recently sent you a form to register your interest. Please can we ask you to return these as soon as possible.

RECRUITMENT

Our amazing assistant Hal will be leaving us at the end of this term, as he will be starting his PGCE at Canterbury University in September to embark on a career as a Primary School teacher. We are currently recruiting for his replacement so there will be ad hoc candidates joining in on sessions this week as trials for the post.

LUNCH CLUB

For those of you whose children don't yet stay for lunch club we would encourage you to consider what a important opportunity it is for them to learn to socialise and eat in a group with their peers. Feel free to pay on an ad hoc basis.

INCREMENTAL FEE PAYMENT

Just a quick reminder if you haven't yet paid the second payment this term that it is due. Many thanks.