

May Newsletter 2016

Dear Parent/Carers

Here we are, the last term before we break up for the summer holidays!! It's a very busy time and there will be lots of dates for your diary throughout the newsletter so please remember to make a note of them.

Individual Photographs – Monday 23rd & Tuesday 24th May. During sessional times. If your child is not in on either of those days and you would like a photograph, please see your Room Leader or speak to the office! **Class Photographs** will be taken on **Tuesday 14th June.**

DAD'S IN PRE-SCHOOL

Open day(s) for Dads to come along:

(limited to one 1 hour session only, at a session their child normally attends, please speak to your child's Room Leader to sign up)

Yellow Room Wed 15th and Thurs 16th June times either 9-11am or 1-3pm sessions

Green & Blue Wed 15th and Thurs 16th June times either 8.45-10am or 10.30-11.30am or 12.15-1.30pm or 2-3pm

A Few Requests

Hopefully in the not too distant future, the weather will be brightening up and the summer clothes will be coming out, along with sun hats, sun creams etc. The room leaders would just like to make a couple of reminders to parents for when this does happen!!

- **Can you please label sun hats and jackets with your child's name clearly**
- If possible could children attend pre-school in 'sensible' flat canvas 'Doodle' type shoes please, **NO CROCS.** This is for their own safety when playing outside. If open toed shoes are worn can you please ensure they have socks on to provide at least some protection.
- Sun Cream: Can you please apply this to your child **before** coming to their pre-school session. If your child attends a lunch club or wrap around session, please label the sun cream before you bring it in, and ensure you have signed a consent form for staff to apply the cream to your child.

Comics & Annuals- If anyone has any unwanted children's comics or annuals, they would be very gratefully received please!!!.....

Any Craft supplies – Any unwanted / unused buttons or laces

Any paper supplies – if any parents have a potential source for paper to colour or paint on or indeed any art and craft materials please see your room leader or Mrs. Bidwell.

Newspaper supplies – If anyone has any old broadsheet newspapers, they could donate; they would be very gratefully received for our painting easels!!

Fruit and veg for snack time

We really rely on parent's generous donations of fruit and vegetables for snack time and children are especially fond of the attractive platters that we produce from them. Various fruits are gratefully accepted but don't forget salad or vegetable items and dried fruits like raisins or apricots. Ideas could also be bread sticks, rice cakes, poppadum's, cream crackers, prawn crackers, popcorn!

For parents whose children attend **Wrap Around Sessions** please consider this session when you are donating your contribution. Many Thanks.

Jump Up Day:

On the 5th July, children will spend some time visiting the school and in their new classes. If your child is not in on that day, please liaise with the school to make arrangements. Children staying with us for another year will have visits to their rooms over the last few weeks of this term. Children starting at Westwood Primary will all receive a complimentary School Book Bag, donated by Maple Grove Fundraising Committee. They will be given out during the last week of term.

Pre-school and Wrap Around finishes: Friday 15th July

End of Term Parties: Monday 18th July (further information to follow)

All parties will this year be supplied by the Fundraising Committee.

Staffing:

Miss Betts in Yellow Room is now on Maternity Leave, we wish her all the best and congratulate her on the arrival of her new baby and look forward to seeing them both soon! We are welcoming two new members of staff Kerry Mason in Yellow Room along with Mrs Wing (a move from Green Room) & Lauren Abbott now joins Green Room.

Building Work:

This has been moving along very quickly now! And we thank you all for your support and understanding throughout this period. We will keep you updated of the exciting progress as it happens!

September 2016 Intake

Mrs Bidwell will be speaking to you soon regarding your requirements if you have any special requests, please see her as soon as possible.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

A BIG thank you for all the support for the Colour Collect Event total raised **£1,901.80** Easter Egg Hunt – the total raised from ticket sales and stalls on the day was **£380.10** !!

SUMMER FAYRE

Plans are now under way for our annual Summer Fayre. It is being held on Saturday 2nd July from 11.00am – 2.00pm. This is a lovely fun filled family afternoon which raises funds for the pre-school toy budget. As with all our fundraising activities we rely hugely on support from parents and carers and we are asking for that help once again please!! If you are able to donate raffle prizes, donate any unwanted gifts, tins or bottles etc. that would be REALLY appreciated. The Fundraising Committee

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

| DATE | TIMES | ACTIVITY |
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| MONDAY 23rd & TUESDAY 24th MAY | DURING SESSION TIMES | INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS |
| FRIDAY 27th MAY | | TRAINING DAY |
| MONDAY 30th MAY TO FRIDAY 3rd JUNE | | HALF TERM Returning on MONDAY 6th JUNE 2016 |
| TUESDAY 14TH JUNE | DURING SESSION TIMES | CLASS GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS |
| WEDNESDAY 15TH & THURSDAY 16TH JUNE | DURING SESSION TIMES | DADS IN SCHOOL |
| WEDNESDAY 15TH JUNE | 7.00PM | NEW PARENTS EVENING FOR RECEPTION CHILDREN @ WESTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL MAPLE SITE (parents only) |
| SATURDAY 2ND JULY | 11.00AM – 2.00PM | SUMMER FAYRE |
| TUESDAY 5TH JULY | DURING SESSION | JUMP UP DAY |
| FRIDAY 15TH JULY | | PRE SCHOOL SESSIONS FINISH |
| MONDAY 18TH JULY | | PARTY DAY – MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW |