

## May Newsletter 2017

Dear Parent/Carers,

It's a very busy time and there will be lots of dates for your diary throughout this newsletter so please remember to make a note of them.

**Individual Photographs:** Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd 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 20th June.

**DAD'S in Pre-School Open day(s):** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 9-10.30am and 1.30-3pm, for Dads to come along: (limited to one session only, at a session your child normally attends).

### **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 toe 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. Please ensure that you have consented to this on your child entry record form.

**Fruit and veg for snack time:** We really rely on parent's generous donations of fruit and vegetables for snack time and the children are especially fond of the attractive platters that we produce for them. Please ensure pre-packed fruits are in date. 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 or 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 Friday 7th July, children will spend some time visiting Westwood and in their new classes. If your child is not in on that day, please liaise with Westwood 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 jumper, donated by Maple Grove Fundraising Committee and Westwood Primary. They will be given out during the last week of term.

**Pre-school and Wrap Around finishes:** Tuesday 18th July.

**End of Term Parties:** Wednesday 19th July (further information to follow) All parties will be catered for by the Fundraising Committee.

**September 2017 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 £2,245.00. Easter Egg Hunt – the total raised from ticket sales and stalls on the day was £530.00!!

**SUMMER FAYRE:** Plans are now under way for our annual Summer Fayre. It is being held on Saturday 1st 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.

**Main Gate:** 12.15pm-12.30pm. Please can Yellow and Red Room parents wait outside the main gate until opened by a member of staff. Thank you.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES .....**

DATE	TIMES	ACTIVITIES
MONDAY 22 <sup>ND</sup> MAY & TUESDAY 23 <sup>RD</sup> MAY	DURING SESSION TIME	INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS
THURSDAY 25 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	2 SESSIONS 9.30AM MAPLE HALL 6.30PM MAPLE HALL	NEW PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING FOR 2017 INTAKE
FRIDAY 26 <sup>TH</sup> MAY		TRAINING DAY – No children
MONDAY 29 <sup>TH</sup> MAY TO FRIDAY 2 <sup>ND</sup> JUNE		HALF TERM Returning on Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June
FRIDAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	DURING SESSION TIMES	DRESS DOWN PJ DAY - Donations of unwanted gifts, canned food, toys etc. towards the Summer Fayre
TUESDAY 13 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE AND THURSDAY 15 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	9-10.30AM AND 1.30-3PM	DADS IN SCHOOL DAY
TUESDAY 20 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	DURING SESSION TIMES	GROUP PHOTOS
SATURDAY 1 <sup>ST</sup> JULY	11.00AM – 2.00PM	SUMMER FAYRE
FRIDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	DURING SESSION TIMES	JUMP UP DAY
MONDAY 17 <sup>TH</sup> AND TUESDAY 18 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	DURING SESSION TIMES	FUN ACTIVITY DAY
TUESDAY 18 <sup>TH</sup> JULY		LAST DAY OF PRE-SCHOOL & MINI GROVE
WEDNESDAY 19 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	DETAILS TO FOLLOW	PARTY DAY
FRIDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> JULY		NO GROVE