



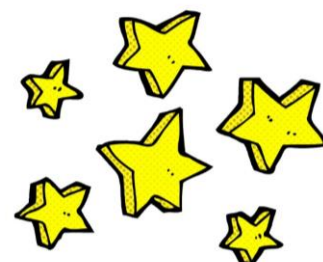
Preschool 345 Newsletter October 2018



A big welcome to all our new Preschool 345 families. Parents/carers, please feel free to chat with staff or committee members (information in the entrance) if you need any information or have a question. We will all be happy to help or to point you towards someone who can.



**Fundraising planning meeting
Thursday 11th October
8.15pm at the Star Inn**

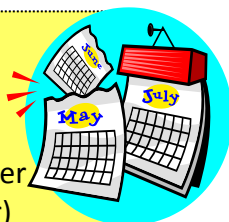


Preschool needs you!

As a committee we aim to put on several fundraising/community events each year but we can't do it alone.

If you'd like to get involved/bring some fresh ideas then please join us for an informal meeting to plan fundraising events for the year ahead.

SOME DIARY DATES



LAST DAY OF THIS HALF TERM – Friday 26th October
(Half term holiday – 29th October to 2nd November)
FIRST DAY OF NEXT HALF TERM – Monday 5th November
AGM – Fri 16th November 9.45am
CHRISTMAS FAIR – Sat 15th December
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM – Friday 21st December

Coats and other belongings
Please can you make sure that you have labelled all of your child's belongings and that you take the correct items home!



- Our newsletter is published once every half term
- You should receive an email with a link to the website during the half term
- Some paper copies are also made available on the parent/carer information table



PRESCHOOL 345 COMMITTEE



Preschool 345 has charitable status. It is managed and run each day by our experienced staff team. A committee of volunteer parents/carers supports their work and makes key decisions.

**Our Annual General Meeting is on Friday 16th November at 9.45am –
please do come along if you can.**

At this meeting we will hear different reports about what happens at Preschool, have a chance to meet the current committee and get involved.

If you would like to find out more about getting involved, or to put your name forward for the committee then please speak to Tina or one of the current committee members – we'd love to hear from you!

Harvest Festival

To mark Autumn and harvest time, we would like to collect food to give to the local food bank. This is a great way of helping our children to understand that not everyone is as fortunate as them and how we can help others.

Please bring any donations of tinned or dried food to Preschool during the week commencing Monday 22ndst October.

Thank you!



Mandy is our Language Leader.

She regularly attends networking events and courses so she can keep up to date with the latest research and ideas to help develop your child's language skills. If you have any worries or questions please feel free to speak to her or your child's key person.

Being able to communicate is not just about talking. Along with getting your own message across, being able to listen, pay attention, interact, play and understand what's being said are the fundamental building blocks of communication.

We communicate and interact with each other in different ways; we need to learn when to talk, when to listen and take turns in conversation. Children learn from adults by watching how they interact with other adults and with children.

If your child wants your attention while you are talking to someone else ask them to wait a moment until you have finished, don't let them wait too long (less than 30 seconds) then give them eye contact, thank them for waiting and look at your child while they talk to you showing you are interested in what they have to say. When you ask your child something that requires a response give them at least 10 seconds to take in the information to be able to answer you before rephrasing what you've said.

When we listen to children, they learn what to do to be good listeners.

Mandy x

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Preschool 345's Christmas Fair will take place on **Saturday 15th December**. The fair raises vital funds for Preschool and is a great community event. There will be stalls, games and crafts as well as excellent food and drink on offer. Santa has also promised to make an appearance...





We will need volunteers to help make the day a success so please help if you can – maybe by donating items, giving some time on the day or baking for the cake stall. Make sure to bring along as many family and friends as you can gather! The fair begins with festive songs sung by all the children so bring them along bright and early in time to perform.




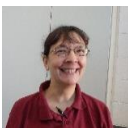
Look out for further information soon and also for ways to get involved.



From Tina...

Our lovely committee asked the 'Ladies' what was one of your best bits of the Summer holidays?

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| <p>Angela</p> <p>Keyperson food hygiene</p>  | <p>"The best part of my holidays was going on a train ride to the zoo. My favourite animal was the elephants as they sprayed each other with water from their trunks. It was a hot sunny day so I think they had fun cooling down"</p> |
| <p>Catherine</p>  <p>Keyperson Craft resource co-ordinator Best playdough maker First Aid</p> | <p>"Eating hot doughnuts on Brighton Pier - one of our favourite places to visit"</p> |
| <p>Helen</p> <p>Keyperson First Aid</p>  | <p>"Going away with all my family to celebrate my parents golden wedding anniversary and eating lots of cake".</p> |
| <p>Mandy</p>  <p>Our very own Language Lead Safeguarding lead First Aid</p> | <p>"Reading a book on the beach"</p> |

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| <p>Marie</p>  <p>Keyperson First Aid</p> | <p>"Humpback whale watching in California. The boat was surrounded by them and one actually dove straight under where I was stood on the boat! I squealed"</p> |
| <p>Nicola</p>  <p>Our very own volunteer</p> | <p>"Going shopping with my Mum and Dad and buying another new handbag".</p> |
| <p>Tina</p>  <p>Our Manager SENCo Safeguarding lead First Aid</p> | <p>"Camping on Turtle Island in Borneo where we let three baby turtles free, we even named one Graham. I really hope Graham is having fun in the big ocean"</p> |
| <p>Trudi</p>  <p>Our Deputy Manager Financial Administrator Food hygiene First Aid</p> | <p>"Finally finished decorating the dining room after starting 3 years ago!"</p> |

SNACK TIME

Snack duty is a lovely way to join in with Preschool 345 if you have an hour to spare now and then.

Each day, a parent or carer volunteers to wash, chop and serve a healthy snack to the children. Our friendly staff will show you exactly what to do and your help will free them up to work with the children.

The sign-up rota is on the information table. Maybe you could consider helping once each half term – or more frequently if you wish!
(Or volunteer a grandparent...)

