



Harpole Pre-School Newsletter

Autumn Term September 2016

WELCOME

We would like to offer a warm welcome to our existing and new families that are joining us this year, it is great to see you all. We hope you had a lovely summer break and look forward to the year ahead.

We hope you are looking forward to this coming year, there are already lots of exciting activities planned. It is always a little unsettling in September; swapping rooms or starting at a new pre-school, we hope to make it as stress-free as possible and a time for us to get to know one another, please bear with us while we settle in to the new routine. You should all have had the bedtime reading information that explains most of the procedures, if you haven't please let us know.

The 'Purple Ladies' are always available should you wish to talk to them, if its not's convenient at drop off and pick up, an alternative time can be arranged to suit you.

Diary Dates

- Monday 4th September – Pre-school Re-open.
- AGM –
- Friday 23rd September – Coffee Morning
- Friday 21st October – Last Day of term.
- Monday 31st October – Teacher Training Day – Pre-school closed.
- Tuesday 1st November – Pre-school re-opens

Term Topic - Butterflies

As we will be getting to know each other over the coming weeks we have decided to go with the theme 'All about Me'. We will be learning all about ourselves and others, our families, traditions and customs, sharing photo's and stories.

All children will be receiving a bag that we would like them to fill with items from home that tell us about them and their family. We would also really appreciate a baby and family photograph to use in our scrapbooks and display.



LABELLING

Please remember to label all your child's clothes and belongings as there are lots of children this year and sometimes they are unsure what items belong to them.

Labels are available through the group, if you haven't had a form and would like to place an order, please see a member of staff.

PARKING

Due to limited parking available, the volume of cars and previous issues with residents when dropping off and collecting, could we ask ALL parents and visitors to be mindful of other road users, pedestrians and respectful of residents, pathways and their driveways.

The Methodist chapel also has functions held on a Monday and Tuesday and they would appreciate our co-operation in not using their parking facilities at this time.

If any incidents do occur please inform a member of staff immediately.

AGM

As you may or may not be aware Harpole Pre-School is a voluntary organisation who cannot operate without a management committee.

This committee needs to consist of parents or grandparents who are willing to give up some of their time to support and management the running of the group.

This may sound a little daunting but it not only allows you to have a say in decisions and how the group is run, but provides lots of opportunities to meet new people and become part of a great team.

If you are at all interesting in becoming part of the committee or would like further details or information please speak to a member of staff or existing committee member.

DRAWSTRING BAGS

All new children will be receiving a Pre-school drawstring bag to keep any change of clothes/nappy change and personal items in, which can be hung on their peg at pre-school.

Could all returning children please bring them in so we can update your child's identity key ring.



In case the weather is favourable during September, please remember children's sun hats and to apply sun cream when the sun is shining.

WISH LIST

We will be needed the following to carry out our planned activities this term. If anyone can help with donations of any of these items it would be MOST appreciated:

- Scrap paper/card
- Toilet tubes
- Food/toy magazines
- Clean Glass Jars (such as jam jars)

ILLNESS

It is at this time of year when children mixing with others tend to catch a number of passing virus's or bugs.

Please remember to prevent the spread of infection to keep any poorly children at home until they feel well enough to return.

We would be very grateful if you could use the group telephone number below, email or facebook page to send us a message that your child will be absent from pre-school and the reason why.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

CONTACT DETAILS

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