

December Newsletter 2015

At last Christmas is just around the corner! We hope you all enjoyed our Festive Fun Day. It was a fantastic success and raised just over £1000! We would like to thank all of our staff and committee who gave up their time and a precious Saturday to make it happen. As I am sure you are aware we are a charity and when we run these events the staff and committee volunteer their time and without them these events could not take place. Thank you to everyone who came!



We would like to welcome two new members to our team, Dawn and Louisa have both been successful in their applications for Pre-School Assistants after starting with us as cover staff. Welcome!

Finally, the festive season is here at long last and we hope you will enjoy all the fabulous events we have planned and of course we would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Wonderful New Year! Charlie

Signing Hands Concerts

The children have been enjoying learning Makaton Sign Language to accompany traditional Christmas Songs. You should all have requested your tickets by now but if not please do ask for them as soon as possible. By the end of the week commencing 30th November all tickets will have been given out and then further requests for additional tickets will be considered. The performances are Wed 9th Dec at 11.30 and Thurs 10th Dec at 11.30 and 2.30.

Christmas Party 11th December 1.15-2.15



We would like to say a massive Thankyou to Mandie Deacon who has arranged for the Rotary Club Santa to come and visit the children again this year. At the end of the party he will be outside waiting to greet you all!

We will be having Lindy Lou as well as gorgeous Christmas crafts for the children to do and take home.

If you would like to help on the day please let a member of staff know.

If you have not bought your ticket yet please just let us know.

Christmas Tree Festival St Nicholas Church 5 & 6th December



The beautiful Christmas Tree Festival takes place this weekend at St Nicholas Church in Barton, 5 & 6th December.

Every year Zoe work really hard on our creation with the children's artwork and as yet we have never won it!

Soooo, pop down, enjoy the festival and of course vote for Pre-School's Tree! Thank you!



Christmas Cards

We will putting out our Christmas Card Post-box this week that the children have helped to decorate.

Please can you make sure you put surnames on the envelopes as we have quite a few children with the same names! Santa's helpers will distribute them for you!



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Values

At pre-school we work very closely with Ramsey Manor Lower School. 'Values Education' has been successfully adopted by Ramsey and we believe to support our commitment to creating a calm and positive environment and important continuity for you and your child, our pre-school will also use Values Education to support your child's personal development.

What is Values Education?

Values Education is a way of supporting children's first steps in becoming a member of the community. Using six basic values that are simple for young children to understand and are reflected in the pre-school ethos, Staff will use language, resources, books and displays that will reflect a different value each term.

This Terms Value is Friendship

Pre-School Waiting List

If you have had the pleasure of a new addition to your family please do let us know if you would like to put them on the waiting list for Pre-School as soon as you can!

Don't forget to spread the word amongst any friends or family who you think may want to be put on the waiting list also!

Barton Preschool Fundraising

Facebook Page

Don't forget to like our page for more regular updates!

Forest School at Pre-School

This month we will start sending out our Forest School Newsletter rather than the Forest School Weekly Diary.

We hope it will be clearer for you to see all the wonderful creative things that we do using the great outdoors and all of its natural resources and how your kind Forest School Donations are being spent and put to good use.

Sickness and Diarrhoea

Children are not permitted to return to pre-school until **48 hours after their last episode**. This will minimise the risk of infection to the other children.

Dates for your diary

Back to Pre-School –
Tues 5th Jan 2016

Half Term
w/c Monday 15th February

POLICIES AND COMPLAINTS

Barton-le-Clay Pre School has a very comprehensive set of policies that govern how we run the Pre School. These are regularly checked and updated where necessary. Unfortunately we do not have the space to display the complete policy folder, a small selection of policies can be found on our Notice Board in the 'Our Space' foyer. You are very welcome to request to see the complete folder and read through the policies at any time, please request this from a member of staff. Equally should there be any element of Pre School that you are unhappy with we would urge you to speak to a member of staff or committee. All of the committee's contact details are on the notice board in the foyer. We also have a suggestion box in the foyer that you may like to use. We value all kinds of feedback. Thank you.



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