

June Newsletter 2015

Welcome everyone to the last term before the long summer hols! The children had a fantastic time in our Pirate week, they all looked amazing, Thank you for your sponsorship! I hope you all had a wonderful half term and made the most of the dry weather! We have some really fun activities coming up this term such as pet week and sports week to name a few and we hope you are able to join in as much as possible. Please make sure you have let us know if you would like to visit your child's Key Worker in Parents week and be sure to come along to our Fathers Fun Day on the 20th June! Thank you for all your offers to distribute leaflets as well, we will be co-ordinating all the offers and letting you know this week. Also attached is a Scholastic Book leaflet, with every purchase there is a small donation to Pre-School so you can buy some lovely books and donate to Pre-School at the same time! Thank you, Charlie.

Pets Week w/c 6th July



Our Pet week is coming up in July and we would love to see some of your pets here at Pre-School!

A letter went out in book bags before the end of term asking if your child is afraid of any particular pets and if you wanted to bring your pet in for a visit. Please note the date was incorrect and Pet Week is definitely w/c 6th July!

Please do let us know as soon as possible if you would like to bring any pets in so we can arrange them all over the week!

So far we have rabbits, guinea pigs, a chicken, cats, dogs, a Parakeet and maybe even a small pony! We would love any reptiles so if you would like to bring yours in please let us know! Thank you

Open Evening 30th June 6.45 -8pm

Our Open Evening is very useful for potential parents and existing ones too so if you know of anyone that may be thinking of bringing their child to our Pre-School be sure to let them know. Also if you want to come along for yourself you are always welcome!

Scholastics Books

Please find attached our Scholastics book leaflet. If you want to order any books please do so before the 19th June. With every book purchased there is a small donation to Pre-School!

Sun Cream



Please can you ensure your child has sun cream applied **before** coming to Pre-School. The warm weather is fast approaching and even now some fairer skinned children can burn in the milder weather.

Please also provide them with a LABELLED sun hat when necessary.

The children love the activities outside and we want to make sure they are protected at all times, so please provide a sun hat and please make sure it's LABELLED!!

Thank you

Water Bottles

Please can you provide your child with a NAMED water bottle for them to have at Pre-School.

3rd July Open Morning

Ramsey Manor Lower School is having its Open Morning on 3rd July. Please remember it is your responsibility to take and collect your child.

Transition to Lower School

This term is when we start the Transition to Lower School and each day we will be taking the children over to Ramsey Manor Lower School's reception class where your child will be able to play in their playground and really get an idea of Big School life. Please can we ask that you drop your child on time as they may miss out on their visit if they are not here. Thank you.



Registered Charity Number (1023883)

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.

Our current Value is Sharing and Caring.

Parking

Unfortunately Car parking continues to be a bit of an issue. We must ask that you **do not park in the staff car park**. This has meant on occasion that we have been late opening the doors as staff cannot get parked. We will be keeping a close eye on the situation and any repeat offenders will have their number plates printed in the next newsletter!

Last day of term and Book Bags

Just a little reminder that our last day of term is Friday 17th July! Please don't forget to let us know if your child is not going up to Ramsey Manor Lower School so that we organise the appropriate book bag for them!

Handy Man!

Do any of you know a Handy Man that could take on a few little jobs at Pre-School? They range from putting notice boards up to fixing our playhouse. We would be really grateful of any volunteers but if not we will have to employ someone! Please let us know if you know of anyone or are able to help yourself. Thank You.

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

Forest School - It's hard to believe that we only introduced Forest School to our Pre-School in January. Both our Nature Garden and Ramsey's Lively Land have been fantastic outdoor learning environments which have provided so many opportunities for your children to grow socially, physically and mentally.

We have seen lots of very timid children thrive within the smaller groups and the relaxed natural outdoor environment. Lots of children who didn't like mud or getting wet now absolutely love making muddy puddles to share with friends! Of course the hot chocolate and biscuits were a big draw especially on colder days. The rainy days have been the best and when we have had the most fun. They are the days the birds fly down to visit us and when the sun shines again they really do sing. Rainy days also give us a fantastic excuse to make dens.

Our little seedlings will have grown over the holiday and hopefully we will be able to pick and taste some of our crop before the end of term. It has been so much fun not just for the children but for the staff too! Thank you for your contributions!

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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