



Newsletter

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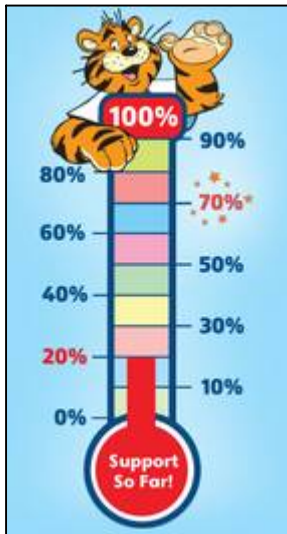
Staff Recruitment

Further to the announcement in last newsletter regarding our new Deputy leader we are pleased to announce that we also now have a new Practitioner starting just after the half term break. This now restores us to full strength and we have had many requests for additional child places both from existing parents and new families which is excellent news for the pre-school. Watch this space as we move into the spring and summer terms as we have many ideas on how to enhance the sessions for the benefit of the children.

Recycling Old Mobile Phones

So far this has raised £66.00 for the Pre-school, thank you to those parents who have handed in the old phones. The collection continues so if you have any old phones and would like to help us raise money, please bring them in.

Free Sports Equipment



Thank you to those who have registered their support by visiting the Haven Fun and Fitness website <http://www.havenfunfitness.com/> we still need more parents to help us acquire a free indoor trampoline.

As you can see on the "Support-o-meter" we currently have the support of 20% of the parents of the pre-school and we need to have 70% to qualify.

All you need to do is visit the site above, type in the Pre-school's postcode, BS36 2DA and click "Register your support". Enter your name, address and email details and submit this to Haven. You will then be sent a confirmation email with a link to their page to verify your support.

End of Year School Trip

On 2nd July the pre-school will be having a day trip to Noah's Ark Zoo Farm in Wraxall. A coach has been booked and paid for by the pre-school using the funds raised at the Christmas Bazaar. The children will be treated to a free educational and interactive animal show and have the opportunity to bottle feed the lambs. Tickets for admission to the park will be charged at a flat fee of £6 per person. More details regarding the trip, things to take with you and departure time from Crossbow in the morning will be released in due course.

Invitation Books

Invitation voucher books will go on sale after half term, each book will raise £4.00 for the Pre-school. If you don't have one at the moment or would like to

buy one for a friend or relative, please let Nikki Davies know on 07883 301460 or by email to gj.davies@blueyonder.co.uk.

Family Disco!

The disco is taking shape with the DJ/Entertainer booked from 6pm on **Friday 19th March**. A poster has been designed and is being circulated with this newsletter, display it on your fridge, notice board or wherever is convenient! We are currently looking for any raffle prizes suitable to be given to adults on the night so if you have anything to contribute please give these to the staff, thank you. The pre-school website will also contain details of the disco, which has been organised not just for the children but to give the parents an opportunity to get to know one another. Disco dancing by parents will not be demanded but if you're a budding Travolta then give it a whirl by all means! A bar is also available which may help/hinder the dancing. The entertainment will finish at around 9pm but background music and drinks will be available after then for those that wish to stay, you are very welcome to.

For the events listed above and for more information please see our website www.crossbowpreschool.co.uk

EYFS Workshop for Parents

On Thursday 18th March we will be holding a 1 hour session designed for parents to be familiarised on the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) scheme. This will be held at Crossbow House at 8pm and all parents are welcome. As the EYFS scheme is new to a lot of parents we hope that this will help shed some light on the new approaches to play and learning.

And last but not least.....

At the last committee meeting held on 9th February, Nina Holway was elected as a General Member of the committee, Welcome Nina!

It's never too late to get involved, why not help out?

Our Committee can consist of 9 General Members and we currently have 7 excluding the Chair, Treasurer and Secretary so if you want to have a part in developing the pre-school come along to our next meeting on **9th March from 8pm at the Rising Sun in Frampton Cotterell, with guest Jane Kettlewell from Childrens Playlink.**