

Binfield Preschool Newsletter March 2011



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Welcome To:

Preston Fryer. We hope you settle in well and enjoy your time with us at Pre-School. Also to our two work experience girls Haylee and Clarissa.

Dates to Remember: Easter Concert will be held on Tuesday 5th April and End of Term is Friday 8th April.

Contact Details

It is extremely important that you ensure all contact details are up to date, especially if you change your phone numbers or other emergency contact numbers. We must be able to contact you in case of an emergency.

Parent/Carer Rota

We would love to encourage you all to attend at least one full session with your child each term, this is a great time to chat with your child's Keyworker and to get an insight into the fun we have during the sessions. Please look out for the rota which is displayed by the entrance and fill in your name for the day you would like to come in.

Jewellery

Wearing of jewellery is not permitted except stud earrings. This is due to health & safety issues especially when children are playing on the larger pieces of equipment.

Keyworkers

A specific member of staff will be monitoring your child's progress through the Pre-school and if you would like to discuss her/his progress you can ask to speak to her. We have a board displayed at each site showing photographs of all our staff members, so that you are able to get to know your child's keyworker

Reminder: Door Staff

Please can parents not talk to the staff member on door duty. If you need to discuss an issue please find the supervisor or session leader, as the member of staff on the door is responsible for the children's safety.

Jocks Lane Mobile Phone Number

Due to the great outdoor space at Jocks Lane the children are often outside. If you need to contact a member of staff in an emergency please call 07982 436247.

Memorial Hall Mobile Phone Number

If you need to contact us during a session you can contact us on the usual landline number or we now have a mobile phone for the memorial hall please ring 07544 901185.

Pre-school Fees - if possible, please pay within 2 weeks of receiving your invoice

We would like to remind you that prompt payment of invoices would be appreciated. If you have any queries, please direct them to our Treasurer whose contact details are on your invoice or the supervisor, and we will try to assist in any way we can. If you would like to pay us directly from your bank account online, please note the details are on each invoice and your invoice number should be used as a reference so we know your invoice has been paid. We are now accepting more of the childcare vouchers, so if you would like to pay this way, please let us know.

Interest Items

Please can all toys coming into the Pre-School for the 'Interest Table' be labelled, as this helps to avoid any confusion.

Children's Clothing

Please bear in mind that when dressing your child for Pre-School he/she is in comfortable and easily removable clothing, as this helps the staff at toilet and nappy changing times. Please also ensure that the children have a change of clothes in their school bag, and if required, nappies, wipes and nappy sacks. **We really do recommend that you label all shoes, bags and any jumpers or tops that get taken off**, as several children have the same styles and they

sometimes end up with the wrong things. It would also help if children are dressed in several layers of clothing rather than just a shirt and thick coat, as this makes it easier to adjust the children's clothing if they are too warm from being active. Please also remember to bring wellies - named inside - gloves and hats, (to both sites).

15hour week entitlement

The implementation of the 15 hour entitlement was introduced in the first week back after half term with huge thanks to the staff and parents/carers in ensuring the smooth transition. Please note on Thursday afternoons the children will be taken for walks around Binfield village and all parents/carers with children attending these sessions should have received authorisation slips for signature to be returned in their child's book bags.

Christmas Fun Day

This event rose over £300 for the Pre-School and the funds have been used to purchase Sensory den, with torches and mirror cubes plus enhance our messy play area equipment and supplies, with huge thanks to all parents/carers and our sponsors for their continuing support.

Whoosh Children's Parties

The indoor soft play centre is offering half price parties, for more details log on to <http://www.whooshplaycentre.com/>

Tesco and Sainsbury vouchers

The Tesco for Schools & Clubs scheme and Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers give UK schools and clubs a variety of useful items in exchange for vouchers earned when shopping, one voucher is given for every £10 spent in stores and petrol filling stations in a single transaction. Collection boxes have been placed at both Jocks Lane and Memorial Hall.

What's happening this term in session!!!

The children will continue learn all about maths and problem solving. During Wednesday sessions at Jocks Lane, the children will learn about air and will make windmills, planes, gliders and parachutes to understand the affects of air. The parents' notice board at each site will have further information about the activities we will be doing for each theme.

Regards,
Sharon & Judy, Session Leaders

Diary dates:

Dates	Events
29 th March 2011	Committee meeting
5 th April 2011	Easter Concert at Memorial Hall
8 th April 2011	End of term
27 th April 2011	Start of Summer term
5 th May 2011	Local Elections - Memorial Hall sessions closed

