

June 2017 Newsletter

Sports Day & May Fayre - Saturday 13th May 2017

Thank you to all for your continuing support we raised a fantastic £1,600 profit. We would like to give special thanks to everyone who donated a cake, ran a stall, helped either set up or clean away, supplied a bbq, gazebo, bouncy slide or helium, helped with the PA etc, to all the Committee and their partners and to the Staff for making the day such a success.

Quiz Night - Saturday 10 June at 8.00 p.m.

A Quiz Night is to be held at The Star in Matfield on Saturday 10 June. Tickets are available NOW at a cost of £8 each to include a hot buffet. This event has been scheduled to replace the cancelled Glitz and Glamour Ball.

Parents Evenings

We shall be holding the following Parent Evenings: Lions Class: Tuesday 27 June Nursery and Lions Class: Wednesday 28 June Shirley will be contacting you shortly to arrange suitable appointments.

<u>Pre-School Information Evening - Tuesday 4 July</u>

In advance of the new academic year 2017/2018, we will be holding a Pre-School Information Evening in the School Hall at Brenchley & Matfield Primary School at 7.30 p.m. The topics will include the transition from the Nursery to the Lions Class, your child's last year at Pre-School including Tigers, strategies for letters and sounds, learning through play and applying for Primary Schools. This event will answer all those queries that you may have so please come along. Parents who have attended in the past have found this to be an invaluable source of information.

Lollipop Patrol

Please remember to use the Lollipop Patrol when crossing the road. Not only is it safer but it will enforce the importance of road safety to your child.

Ice Blocks

Please include an ice block in your child's lunchbox now that the weather is getting warmer.

The Big Walk - Tuesday 6 June

Sir John Siraj-Blatchford and Lynnette Brock will be attempting a 140 mile sponsored walk. They will depart on Tuesday 6 June from the Pre-School at approx. 12.30 p.m. with the walk taking in all six Kent settings that were chosen for their Sustainability Project. They are raising funds for the Children's Campaign to Save the Lemurs and donations can be made via https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ BigWalkforLemurs.

Bouncing Czech Fireball Rally 9 - 17 June 2017

The Bouncing Czech Fireball Rally has been cancelled due to lack of interest. However, Ben May and Nick Marsh have taken it upon themselves to complete the rally taking in 10 countries under their own steam!!!!! It will be even more of a challenge as they are having to plan the route themselves. They will be still be raising money for the Pre-School and Brenchley Bear will be their co-pilot so please sponsor this gallant effort on the following link

http://virginmoneygiving.com/charities/ brenchleypreschool

"Now That's What I Call Brenchley 2017"

Copies of Kirsty's CD are still available at a suggested donation of $\pounds 3.00$

TW Lotto

We have signed up to TWBC Online Lottery which becomes live in July. Tickets are available at £1 each and you could win up to £25,000 whilst supporting your "Cause". 60% of all the tickets sold through our webpage on twlotto.co.uk will be donated to the Pre-School. A win win situation for all. More information to follow

Sun Cream

We shall be using Boots Soltan Kids Hypoallergenic Factor 50 for all children. If you have not already indicated, please let us know if this is not suitable for your child.

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Summer Clothing and Footwear Code

Now that the warmer weather is approaching we would like to remind you that the children's shoulders should be covered at all times so please NO strappy tops. Sensible footwear should also be worn with NO crocs or flip flops. Please ensure that all items of clothing including shoes are named.

Sound of the Week (Lions)

We shall be focussing on only ONE letter from the alphabet per week so from the w/c 5 June the letter will be I and the following week will be J and so on. Please only bring in items for Show & Tell that are connected with Sound of the Week. This is for you as parents to be involved in helping your child's emerging phonetic sounds. Please don't bring anything in that is particularly precious to you or your child.

Dropping off/Collection Time

It has come to our attention that some parents are parking in the road adjacent to the Pre-School when dropping off/collecting their child. May we remind you that this is a private road and as such should not be used under any circumstances. Thank you.

Communication

If your child is unable to attend their session due to sickness, holidays, etc could you please report this as soon as possible to the Pre-School by **telephone** (01892 724261) asap and not via Facebook.

If someone else has to collect your child, even if they are on our emergency contact sheet, please telephone us on the day. Alternatively if you know when you drop your child off in the morning please inform a member of staff and write who will be collecting your child either on the board (Lions Class) or book (Nursery). Please check your child's red Book Bag regularly for any communication we may be sending home. Any return correspondence needs to be handed to Shirley or a member of staff.

Collection Times

Could we please remind parents/carers that our collection times are 12 noon and 3.30 p.m. We have in the past had several occasions where a child has not been collected until 3.50 p.m. which obviously causes problems with safety/staffing issues. So please collect your child prior to collecting any older siblings from Primary School. Thank you.

Lunchboxes

Now the weather is getting warmer please remember to add an ice block in your child's lunchbox. Please also ensure that all lunchboxes are named. Following FSA guidelines we will remove any out of date items that we find in your child's lunchbox as failure to do so could result in the Pre-School being liable for a hefty fine.

As we have several children at Pre-School with nut allergies, please DO NOT give your child any nuts or nut based products in their lunchboxes. To prevent choking incidents please ensure that any grapes, tomatoes or soft fruit i.e. cherries are cut into quarters and that any stones have been removed. As these items can be a CHOKING HAZARD.

Term Dates 2017

Term 6: Mon 5 Jun - Thurs 20 July

<u>Please note the Leavers Concert will take place on</u> Friday 21 July at 9.15 a.m.

Dates to Note

Quiz Night

Parents Evenings

Tue 27 June

Wed 28 June

Pre-School Info Evening

Leavers Concert

Tue 4 July

Fri 21 July am

Term Dates 2017/2018

Term 1: Wed 6 Sept - Fri 20 Oct Term 2: Mon 30 Oct - Tues 19 Dec

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