



# Newsletter

Issue 13 - Winter 2010



The staff and committee of Warboys Underfives Pre-School would like to wish all readers of the Newsletter a very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!



The Committee (Those old and new!) would firstly like to congratulate the staff on their hard work with last terms children for the very successful transition from Pre-School to Warboys School! With visits to the school and preparation for the move, this year was especially great, so well done to everybody involved and good luck to those children who started their new school in September.

## Pre-School Term Dates 2010-2011

### Autumn Term 2010:

Term closes Fri 17 December

### Spring Term 2011:

Training Day Wed 6 January  
Term Opens Thurs 6 January  
Half Term Mon 21-Fri 25 February  
Term Closes Fri 8 April

### Summer Term 2011:

Training Day Tues 26 April  
Term Opens Wed 27 April  
May Day Hol Mon 2 May  
Half Term Mon 30 May – Fri 3 June  
Term Closes Thurs 21 July

## Warboys Underfives Sweatshirts and Polo Shirts

Sweatshirts - £9 Polo Shirts - £7.50

Orders for items are made twice per term. If you would like to place an order please speak to Rachel or Su.

## Thank you to our sponsors!

Our thanks go to The Old School Our Village Trust, Woodford Waste Management, Warboys Horticultural Society, Pat Collins and Pam Hicks. Thank you to Illig for their recent donation of £250, of course very much appreciated, and also thank you to Warboys Community Bonfire for their donation of £500.

## **Pre-School Reminders**

### Snacks

We would be grateful if parents/carers could bring in a piece of fruit, breadsticks or raisins to playgroup at the beginning of the week for the children to share at snack time. The children are also encouraged to make cakes, wraps and other snacks to take home or to try at play-group and donations towards the cost of ingredients are also welcome.

### Keeping Warm

Now that winter has approached us and the weather has turned cold, could all parents/carers please remember to provide the children with coats, hats and gloves for outdoor play.

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If your child has been sent home in clothes borrowed from the Pre-School, could you please return them straight away! Our stock is running low and we may run out of items for the children to change in to should they require them.

### Names on Clothes

Please could you ensure that all clothing worn to Pre-School be labelled clearly.

### Illness

Please remember if your child has been sick or had diarrhoea then leave 48 hours before they attend Pre-School. If your child has had a contagious disease such as conjunctivitis then they should not attend until it has cleared.

### Publishing of Photographs on Social Networking Sites

The staff of the Pre-School would not be able to take the children on walks or have them participate in activities outside the Pre-School if it wasn't for the parents and carers volunteering to come along and help. However, it has been brought to the attention of staff and committee that photographs that are taken during these activities are being posted on sites such as Facebook. Please do not post any photographs online that are taken on these excursions if they have children who are not your own in them, as permission to use them will not have been granted. Thank you.

## **CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING**

Our evening was held on a very cold and wet 3<sup>rd</sup> November this year and thanks to many contacts we happily managed to fill the Parish Centre main hall, Meeting room and the Pre-School building with 26 stands of fantastic local goods, whether it was something to fill the stockings or a sweet thing to munch on while browsing the other stands. £400 was raised that evening for the Pre-School! Many thanks to all stand holders for donating prizes for the raffles and of course thank you to all those parents and villagers who attended. We of course will be planning another event next year.

### **Advertising Opportunities!**

If you would like to or if you know someone with a local business who you think would benefit from advertising in this termly Newsletter, please let us know. We ask for just a small donation for your advert which goes towards the Pre-School funding. Please speak to Laura on 01487 823037 for more information.

**WARBOYS UNDERFIVES PRE-SCHOOL**  
**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

A wonderful Saturday afternoon was spent at Warboys School celebrating the beginning of the Christmas festivities. A big thank you to all those who attended and helped support our Pre-School with your donations and participations in the games, raffles, competitions and fun! Father Christmas was in his Grotto, greeting the children and giving out early Christmas gifts, the bouncy castle was enjoyed by all who bounced and lots of money was raised with the stalls. We managed to raise a massive £615 for the pre-school.



Please show your support for  
**WARBOYS UNDERFIVES PRE-SCHOOL**  
**TODDLERS**  
EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON 1PM -3PM (DROP IN)  
DURING SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAYS!

Come and enjoy a chat with other parents/carers while your child makes new friends and explores all the fun activities inside the Pre-School and out in our secure outside play area!

SANDPIT PUZZLES COZY BOOK CORNER MINI CARS AND TRIKES  
GAMES AND TOYS PLAY DOH FUN OUTSIDE CLIMBING FRAME AND SLIDE DRAWING BABY TOYS AND SAFE PLAY

**Ages 0-5 years welcome, activities provided for all!**  
(Older siblings welcome during holidays)

**A warm, friendly welcome from staff and parents/carers to all newcomers**

- \* Hot beverage for you and juice/water and snack for your child
- \* Your chance to become familiar with your child's future Pre-School
- \* **Your first visit is free!**  
£1.50 per child, 50p per additional child)
- \* Have fun along with your child, playing with the different activities!

**Warboys Underfives Pre-School, High Street, Warboys.**

**PLAYGROUP FOR HIRE**

**Did you know that the Pre-School Hall and bouncy castle are available to hire every Saturday?**

**All we ask is a donation of £40**

**Contact Phil Watson for more details on 01487 823802**

**The Duke of Gloucester Visit to Warboys on the 13th July 2010**

In August we had a visit from The Duke of Gloucester, this was a memorable day for the pre-school along with the whole village. All the children were really excited about the visit, especially Morgan Campbell and Harry Slade. Before the visit, Morgan was seen zooming around the playground shouting "the prince is coming, the prince is coming!". Unfortunately, as you can see from his picture, he missed the Duke completely and was later heard telling his mummy that, "the prince was too busy to come today, but will be here tomorrow". As for Harry, he decided to dress up for the occasion, as you can see it was not what his mummy had expected!!!

The Duke of Gloucester was clearly impressed with our playgroup and was pleased to see that our children were all very happy and enjoying themselves. The Duke of Gloucester was amused, apparently, by one young lad who said "who's he?".

The Duke of Gloucester himself stated that our pre-school is a resource we should be proud of, and he is right. We should be proud of all the work we have done to achieve a pleasant and safe environment for our children to learn in.



