



Newsletter

Issue 14 - Spring 2011



The staff and committee of Warboys Underfives Pre-School would like to wish all readers of the Newsletter Happy Easter!



Easter Egg Hunt!

Have a fun time with your little one(s) along the Warboys High Street with an Easter Egg Hunt! The Committee and Staff are currently planning an Easter egg hunt to run during the Easter break. Please check the A frame at the Pre-School for more information.

Warboys Underfives

Sweatshirts and Polo Shirts Sweatshirts - £9.50 Polo Shirts - £8.00

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

Pre-School Term Dates 2011

REMINDER, PRE-SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON FRIDAY 29TH APRIL FOR THE ROYAL WEDDING!

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
Bank Hol Fri 29 April
May Day Hol Mon 2 May
Half Term Mon 30 May-Fri 3 June
Term Closes Thurs 21 July

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. A big thank you to Bob Little (Luke Summerlings Grandad) for his generous donation to our Pre-School!

Thanks of course to all parents and carers that continually support our Pre-School by helping and attending our fundraising events! The Staff and Committee all enjoy seeing you at these events and hope that you continue attending! We received £2500 from the Outcomes, Quality and Inclusion Grant which we have already started to spend, so look out for the lovely new resources that your children are enjoying playing with!

It's a Knockout!

Please support 'The Pre-Schoolers' team in May Day's It's A Knockout competition! It is taking place at Warboys School field on Monday 2nd May. See posters around the village for more information, a sponsor form will be left at Pre-School for everyone to sponsor our team. Parents – please support us! A fun day out! Children - a chance to see your teachers and committee members looking really silly!

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

Spring has arrived! However, although the tough winter weather is over, we still have some chilly days here and there, could all parents/carers please remember to provide the children with coats and suitable bad weather gear for outdoor play.

Nursery Clothes

If your child has been sent home Pre-School Reminders

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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.

Nursery Clothes

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.

Midsummer Pamper and Shopping Evening

Please come along and enjoy another pamper evening on Wednesday 22nd June. 7pm-9.30pm in the Parish Centre. This was so successful last year, not only in raising money for the Pre-School but also being a great evening out for all those parents and villagers needing some relaxing treatments, advice and gifts (whether it was a treat for themselves or for others!) So we have been looking forward to presenting this evening again! Tickets are £3.00. See you . . . and your mum, sister, friend, partner there!

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 in the Pre-School fundraising pot. Please speak to Laura on 01487 823037 for more information.

Pre-School Activities and Events.

- The Children have been celebrating Chinese New Year of the Rabbit by enjoying Chinese food tasting and the challenge of using chopsticks! They made dragon masks and finished the session with dragon dancing to Chinese music
- College students Jade Silke, Chloe Gullvear and newly attending Acacia Van Kerro have been learning the roles of Playgroup Practitioner.
- Pancake Day was fun; the children learnt a pancake poem and took part in pancake races in the garden. Ending in a grand finale of Chris doing a live pancake cook with flip! Which the children then enjoyed eating!
- The children have some more opportunities to teach the students who have been arriving for work experience and will continue to do so until the summer term finishes.
- The Pre-School Open Evening held in February was another big success in introducing staff and committee and giving future Warboys Underfives Pre-School attendees' parents an insight to everyday life here.
- Tempest photographers were taking family photographs on 12th March; look out for dates of the next sessions coming up if you missed it!

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 is available to hire for parties every Saturday?

All we ask is a donation of £30!

Contact Ruth Campbell for more details on 01487 823924

We are looking forward to...

- An Easter talk from Rev Peter Dowman
- The Next Steps children preparing for 'big School'!
- A guest talk about good dental care.
- Prince and Princess Day in honour of the Royal Wedding in April.
- Parents Evening will be held on Monday 9th May.

ALL THE BEST FOR KERRY!

Our very lovely Playgroup Practitioner Kerry, left Warboys Underfives Pre-School mid-March on maternity leave. The committee and staff would like to say best of luck to you and your family!