

Stoughton Pre-School Summer Newsletter



May 2014

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to all parents and children new and existing. I hope you enjoyed your Easter break. With Summer Term is upon now upon us and I would like to share what we will be doing with the children over the next few months. We also have some news about an exciting development to make you aware of....

New pre-school opening in September!

Work has been underway recently to set up a new pre-school locally and we can now confirm that Westborough Pre-School will be opening in September 2014! Westborough Pre-School will operate from St Francis Church Hall on Beckingham Road (about 5 minutes walk from us here) and will be partnering Stoughton Pre-School to offer a comprehensive and integrated childcare experience, for children and their parents, from across our local community. The main focus of Westborough will for 2 to 3 year olds – these children will then have the option to graduate to Stoughton Pre-School the term after their third birthday. This means that we can offer an even better service for children of different ages by providing age specific equipment and activities.

Don't worry, normal service will be continuing here at Stoughton but this exciting addition will mean that we can offer even more options and resources for your children. Dawn (the previous manager of Stoughton) will be taking charge of Westborough Pre-School and we will be sending out additional information, including dates of community events very soon! If you have any questions in the meantime please email dawn@stoughtonpreschool.co.uk

Theme for the Summer term is: Summer

We will be exploring summer this term, looking at what summer means to us all and the things that we can do in the summer months. Can you please help us make a summer display by providing us with photographs and items relating to your summers! Other key areas we will be focusing on include:

Song: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 once a caught a fish alive. (song sheet attached)

Colour: Blue w/b 22nd April, Red w/b 12th May and Yellow w/b 16th June

Book: Barry The Fish with Fingers and The Hairy Scary Monster

Shape: In Rabbits Square, Rectangle & Triangle in Bears Pentagon, Octagon & Hexagon

Phonics sounds: S, A, T, I, P and N. Details to follow

Dates for your diary

- Monday 2nd June is going to be a space week which will consist of fund raising events though out the week ending with a Big Toddle race on the Friday.
- Friday 6th June - Big Toddle Fun Day in aid of Barnardo's charity. There will be raffle tickets available all week along with a cake sale Wednesday 4th and Friday 6th. If your child attends on a Friday they will receive a sponsorship envelope nearer the time. More information will follow.
- Wednesday 25th June - Chris our photographer will be taking black & white photos.
- Wednesday 2nd July at 10.30am and 2pm (depending on your child's session) will be our annual sports day.
- Friday 18th July - School leaver's graduation party!

The term dates for spring are detailed below:

Open: Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May (Closed Bank holiday Monday 5th May)

Closed: Half Term 26th May to 30th May

Open: Monday 2nd June to Friday 18th July (Beginning of Summer Holidays!)

Important information

It is very important that you let a member of staff know by text, phone call or in person that your child will be picked up by someone other than yourself. Passwords are put into place for safeguarding reasons to protect all parties.

September Spaces

As happens every year, a number of our children will be heading off to school in September. If your child is moving on or if you would like additional sessions for your child, let me know as soon as possible so I can make sure a place is reserved for them.

All this information, and a great deal more, can be found on our new website

www.stoughtonpreschool.co.uk so please take the time to have a look if you get the chance. As always, if you have any questions in the meantime please do contact me.

Many thanks,

Mandy Holloway
Stoughton Pre-School Manager

Words to the song of the term

While singing this song you need to hold up both hands with your fingers down facing your child ready to raise each finger as you sing....

1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Once I caught a fish alive

6, 7, 8, 9, 10
then I let it go again

Why did you let it go?
Because it bit my finger so

Which finger did it bite?
This little finger on my right