



News from Committee

Chair's Newsletter - August 2009

Dear All,

I hope you are all enjoying your summer holidays. Thank you to all parents, grandparents and carers who joined the staff and children for the **Leaver's Picnic and Sports Day** on July 23rd. I think you will all agree that the morning was a great success and that the staff deserve a big pat on the back for organizing such a 'professional Games' AND good weather! The children had clearly enjoyed their preparations as much as the day itself and hopefully benefited a great deal from the experience.

May we also take the opportunity on behalf of all parents to thank Sally, Cora, Dawn and Jo for their hard work during the whole year in creating and providing us with a very special pre-school experience for our children. They do a wonderful job and we are very grateful for their commitment to the Pre-school.

As well as saying our goodbyes to little ones who are heading off to school, it is with sadness that we also say goodbye to Dawn who is moving on to take up a position at another pre-school. Dawn, you really will be missed and we would like to thank you for your dedication to Seagry Pre-school over the past five years. Keep in touch!

A.G.M. - Annual General Meeting - Thursday 9th September, 2009 at 7.45pm at Westgate, Main Road, Corston Tel Jo: 01666 829596 or Pippa on 07812 637943

We hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend the AGM in September. The meeting will last about one hour and is open to all parents and prospective parents as we summarise the year's events, finalise accounts and nominate and hand over to our new committee. It is also an opportunity for you as parents to ask questions, provide suggestions and find out how the pre-school operates and to become involved. Please be aware that parking is limited. Jo Selina has kindly agreed to host the AGM and her house is opposite the Radnor Arms in Corston. (Please ask the pub before parking there)

New Committee: Over the past couple of months in response to our requests for volunteers for the parent committee, we are delighted that Alison Harvey, Tina Bright, Jo Selina and Katy Gale have come forward and agreed to give a little of their time over the coming year to help in the running of the pre-school. They will need help. In an effort to ensure they have sufficient support and that the pre-school can continue to operate, we are recommending that all parents become part of the management committee and will be asked to complete CRB clearance forms to fulfill this role. Perhaps you could contribute and take on a small role or help with organizing a fundraising event.

If you are interested in helping the committee please call Alison on 01249 750531.

Fundraising:

Thank you to all of you who have supported our fundraising attempts over the summer term. The 'Seagry Village Day' events on June 13th raised £68 for the pre-school. Thank you to everyone that donated to the Nearly New Sale and an even bigger thank you to Alison, Sally, Susan and Teesh for your dedication and help on the day collecting 10p's and lugging and carrying and to Susan for organizing face-painting. Rosie's parents held a mini Sports Day for friends and family on July 10th and raised £170 through donations and cake selling, this amount will go towards the new Seagry Pre-school signs at the end of the driveway. The sale of the very smart handprint bags made an estimated profit of £60 to £70. Thank you to Alison for organizing this. This takes our total funds raised for the year to over £1000 so a big thank you to all who have supported and helped to organize events. Without funds raised we cannot buy vital equipment and materials for the children to play with.

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Forthcoming Events/ Dates for the Diary:

Malmesbury Carnival – Saturday evening 5th September. Previous prize winners, Seagry School will be in attendance and if you would like to join in, the Pre-school are welcome to join the procession. The theme for the School is 'Baking' so fancy dress could be chefs hats? Wooden spoons, pots and pans? The carnival procession will meet on Park Road in Malmesbury, down near Somerfield and you should be there by 4.30pm for judging. The procession begins at 6pm so bring some picnic while you wait for the fun to begin. For more information please call Teesh on 01249 721455.

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Cake Sale at Malmesbury Market Cross on Friday 2nd October – get baking!

Quiz Night - during the Autumn Term.