



Newsletter February 2015

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Please read through our newsletter and all notes on the notice board as these are here to keep you informed.

All Newsletters, Dates for you Diary and Term Dates can be found at

www.paulerspurypreschool.co.uk.  **Find us on Facebook** - news updates are posted regularly.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23 Feb – Pre-School re-opens

2 March – Committee Meeting. All welcome

2-6 March – Healthy Lunch Box week

2-6 March – Celebrating National Book Day. See page 2

23 March - Deadline for Mar/Apr fee payment

26 March - Last session day

27 March – Easter Bunny Hop. All children to be accompanied

10:45 Arrive

11:00 Bunny Hop races & Easter Bonnet Competition. Followed by shared Party Lunch

****Advance notice****

7 May – General Election. Pre-School will be closed as the Village Hall is a Voting Station.

May – date tbc. Firefighters collection.

24 June – Photography Session

Did you know?

We are now operating as a Charity Incorporated Organisation - Charity number: 1158601. We have been re-registered with Ofsted - new number: 485006. **Please consider joining the Committee, we need your support.**

Thursday afternoon sessions – we are pleased to be re-opening Thursday afternoon sessions after Easter. Please book places for this session with a Michelle or Angela.

Ad hoc Sessions – you can book one-off additional sessions at any time. We try to accommodate all requests so please ask Michelle or Angela to check availability.

Collecting Old Ink Cartridges – We are collecting old printer ink cartridges to recycle with Tesco's. We **earn clubcard points** for the Pre-School which we use towards snacks.

Sainsburys Active Kids – we are now collecting vouchers. Please help us beat last years total of 810 vouchers.

Bingo Night – parents have suggested our next fundraiser in April is a Bingo Night. Possible dates 17 or 24 March. **We need some parent volunteers to help with the organisation. Please put your name down on the door if you can help.**



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Pre – School News

Topic this term - Winter

We will be flying kites, ice painting, snowman building and we will be making a weather chart. We will also be looking at what we wear in winter – hats, coats etc. We will be practising independence with dressing and fastening.

2-6 March – Healthy Lunch Box week. We will be looking with the children at what should be in lunch boxes so they can share what they learn with their parents. A leaflet with more information will be put in the trays.

2- 6 March National Book Week – World Book Day takes place on Thursday 5

March. In order to include all the children we are going to **celebrate all week.** We would like the children to bring in their favourite book (named please) and if they would like to, dress up as their favourite character from a book.

In the trays on or around this date, your child will be given a £1 BOOK TOKEN. This is a gift from booksellers and publishers and can be swapped for one of TEN exclusive World Book Day £1 books OR used to get £1 off any full-price book costing £2.99 or more.

2014/15 Fundraising Target - £2,000. ***Current total - £1,086***

Firefighters collection – Thank you to everyone who bought clothing donations – we were very pleased to raise £50. We booking another collection in May to tie in with Spring cleaning!

Thank you – to all those who supported *Wheels week* – we raised £6 and *Dress up week* – we raised £22.

Easyfundraising – although only 2 new members have joined the scheme since last September we have raised £21 in the last quarter. Thank you to those who already participate. Please consider joining the scheme; it costs nothing to donate in this way. Please see below.

****Coming up** Bingo Night – 17 or 24 April 2015. Further details to follow
We need volunteers to help with the organisation.**

Sainsburys Active Kids

Last year we banked 810 vouchers! Please help us to collect the same again (or more) and we can choose some good equipment. The voucher collection box is on the entrance hall table. To view our wishlist click on <https://activekids.sainsburys.co.uk/Paulerspury-Pre-School>

easyfundraising.org.uk

It is so easy you can raise money for Paulerspury Pre-School just by shopping online - just shop online via <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/paulerspurypresch>. The retailer makes a donation to the Pre-School and it doesn't cost you a single penny extra.

If you register with [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) it could make a huge difference.

There is now an easyfundraising App for phones and tablets so you never miss the opportunity to donate when you're shopping <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/raise-more/easyfundraising-app/>



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Easter Bunny Hop – 27 March

All children to be accompanied. Please arrive at 10:45. We will start at 11:00 with 4 or 5 different races. A sponsorship form for the races will be put into the trays. **Please ask friends and family to sponsor your child to take part or make a donation.** All funds raised will go towards our fundraising goals. We will then judge the Easter bonnet competition for the best home made bonnets. To finish the morning we will have a shared party lunch – please put your names on the food list on door.

New Equipment

South Northants Council & the Empowering Councillors and Community Scheme grant has enabled us to purchase a **Puppet Show Stand, new pots, pans and play food** for the home corner. **New car mats** are to follow soon. **Thank you too to the parents who kindly donated the money to buy a new Big City Garage with add on extras.**

Housekeeping Requests

Reminder – For newly funded children please bring in your documents, as per your funding letter, the first week of term after Easter Break.

Bills - Please ensure your **March bills are paid by w/c 23 March.**

Additional Sessions – If you would like to book additional sessions, ad hoc or regular, please speak to Michelle or Angela.

Donations Appeal

Snack time - If you are able to make use of the “Buy one, Get one free” offers during you're weekly shops we would be grateful for any snack time donations – such as breadsticks, fruit, crackers & vegetables.

Lunchboxes

Please remember that we are trying to encourage your children to enjoy a healthy lifestyle. We offer a selection of healthy snacks and would ask you to provide healthy choices if they stay for lunch. **We would ask that you do not include chocolate or sweets.**

Please include **a drink and cool pack** in the lunchbox.

Opening Times - Monday to Friday (term time only)

Morning session	09:00 – 12:00	£11 per session
Lunch club	12:00 – 12:30	£2 (pack lunch needs to be provided)
Afternoon session	12:30 – 15:30	£11 per session

If you would like to book any additional sessions please speak to Michelle or Angela.

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