



Hillside Pre-School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

6th June 2011

Where does the time go?! We are now in the Summer Term and looking forward to all the exciting things it brings!

We have lots of exciting plans for the months ahead at Hillside, so please read on to find out what's going on and get dates in your diaries for upcoming events. Our fundraising events have been hugely successful and we thank our fundraising team of parents for their help and support!!

Thank you for your support
The Hillside Committee

Sports Day

On **Wednesday 13th July** we shall be holding our annual Sports Day at The Swillett, which we hope as many of you as possible will join us, it is real family get together! **It will take place in the morning and we encourage you to join us for a 09:30 am start.** We will aim to finish off the remainder of the session at the Swillett with singing songs.

There will be a refreshment tent and the opportunity for children to get their face painted!!

Dates for your diary:

Thurs 9 th June	Photographs
Wed 13 th July	Sports Day 09:30am start races
Thurs 7 th July	Quiz Night 8pm
Sat 9 th July	Chorleywood Village Day
Fri 22 nd July	End of Term (NO LUNCH CLUB)

Update from Emma - Exciting new term ahead - Summer 2011!

Dear Parents,

I have been at Hillside Pre-school for **1 Year** this month! We have achieved great things, gaining a 'GOOD' outcome from OFSTED last year and extending the garden! I aim to keep striving for excellence in all areas for the development of the children and the further success of the Pre-school!

Thanks to the success of our Quiz Evening and Car Boot Sale we have purchased a new bench, trampoline, wheelbarrow, tunnel and balls for our lovely extended garden. Together with the funds raised at the Treasure Hunt, we have ordered a brand new wooden home corner! Thank you for all your support!

The cuts in the government funding are greatly affecting our finances and therefore if you thought of giving any end of year gifts, could we please suggest donations? This would help purchase new equipments. We are looking at improving our science area with bugs and insects, we also need new construction toys, multicultural cooking sets, new dolls clothes etc...

This term we will concentrate on numbers and training for our Sports day.

If you have any questions or worries, please contact us.
Kind regards,

Emma Weidner - Pre-School Manager

Quiz Night

Following the great success of this event, we have scheduled another date for a Quiz Night! This will be taking place at The Stag in Chorleywood on **Thursday 7th July at 8pm.** Get your family and friends together to make a team, don't worry if there are only a couple of you, you will be placed into a team and let the fun battle commence!!

RAG BAG COLLECTION - THANK YOU

We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all those parents who contributed to the rag bag collection. It proved highly successful and we raised **£123 for the Pre-school!!** We shall be continuing with this scheme as regular fundraiser in the future and to raise awareness about recycling. Our aim for the next one will be in Autumn term.

Here is a photo of our future home corner!



Village Day - Saturday 9th July 2011 - Come and see us!

The annual Chorleywood Village Day will take place this year on Saturday 9th July on Chorleywood Common.

Hillside will be running a stall between 12pm and 4pm selling biscuits and cakes and providing games and craft activities for the children (colouring balloons, decorating biscuits, face painting etc.). We will require some parent help on the day and possibly some culinary skills in the run up to the day! So if you are able to help or spare some time, it would be greatly appreciated. Please look out for more details nearer the time.

Waitrose Green Tokens

Good news! - We entered Hillside Pre-school for the Community project work, which is a scheme run by Waitrose in Rickmansworth.

We put in a request for them to help fund our 'garden equipment' and they chose us as a service in the community worth supporting for the month of May.

We will earn a percentage of all the green discs that are posted and so far it looked quite good! We should know how much we raised in the coming weeks.

We have already funded some of the equipments from the Quiz night, but we would still like a large blackboard to put on the fence, some play-mats as well as some new games, jigsaws etc.

Once again, thank you so much to all of you for your huge support and generosity!

Outstanding Payments

We would like to remind parents that the term fees have to be paid no later than June 30th unless agreed with Emma and Isaline. Many thanks!

September 2011

We have now allocated the September 2011 spaces and those children staying at Hillside should have all received a written confirmation of their attending days. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. The first day of term is Wednesday 7th September.

Hillside book bags and t-shirts

We now have fantastic book bags for your children to put their pieces of art and craft in! They are available at **£4.50 each**. You will find them sturdy and practical especially when you require an extra pair of hands at pick up time!!

We have lovely t-shirts and sweatshirts in a variety of colours for you to purchase. It would be lovely to see the children wearing their Hillside t-shirts in the Summer term!

Tables and Chairs for Hire

Having your child's birthday party at home? Hire tables and chairs from Hillside. It costs £5 for a table with 4 chairs and all proceeds go directly to funds for our children. See Isaline in the office or a member of the staff team to book

EASY FUNDRAISERS

Here is a reminder of the 'easy fundraisers' available at Hillside at no extra cost to you..

Shopping and fundraising in one!

Do you shop online at **Tesco, Asda, John Lewis, Boots, M&S, Next, Boden, Argos, ELC, Amazon** etc., or do you renew your car insurance online?

Using www.easyfundraising.org.uk as a 'gateway' for all your online shopping is a brilliantly easy way to raise money for Hillside Pre-School. It costs you nothing and easyfundraising will give a small percentage of the total cost of your purchase directly to Hillside.

All you have to do is log onto www.easyfundraising.org.uk and register, selecting Hillside Pre-School as your charity (takes less than a minute). Then, every time you shop online, log into easyfundraising first and access your chosen online store through their list, which will take you straight into the shop's own site. There are over 600 retailers listed so give it a try!

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