

Pre-School News

30th April 2014

Welcome Back

It has been lovely to see everyone again after the long Easter break. We welcome Henry, George, Lily, Eli and Joshua to the family and are looking forward to a busy summer term. You may have also noticed we have Maddie and Will on work experience with us this week from Glebelands School in Cranleigh.

Sponsored Slide

Thank you to everyone who has donated money from our sponsored slide. We have raised £538, which is definitely a record! We have ordered the outdoor reading area resources and will be able to purchase a few more things from our never-ending wish list for the children to enjoy this term.

Caterpillars

Our resident caterpillars have started cocooning. Our theme at the end of this half term will be 'The Hungry Caterpillar' which we hope will coincide nicely with the emergence of our painted lady butterflies. Have a look; they are on the stage.

<u>Sun</u>

Just a reminder, please could you make sure your child has a named water bottle on the trolley and a named sun hat in their bag each day. We do go out every day if we can, so provide appropriate footwear/rainwear if necessary please.

Library Books

Thank you to the mums who have been helping with Library Duty. The children love choosing books to take home. Please could you make sure you return books in to the library returns box on the stage. Resource packs have also started going out to school leavers. Keep these as long as you need but please return all of the pieces when you are done.

Parents Evening - Monday 2nd June 2014

Feedback from last years questionnaire brought up the issue of working parents not being able to meet their child's key person at coffee mornings, so this year we are introducing an evening parents meeting. This will just be for school leavers and will take place on Monday 2^{nd} June 2014 from 7.00pm. Summary reports will still be completed for all children and parents will be given the opportunity to read through and discuss them at their convenience after half term.

Disco Through the Decades - Saturday 7th June 2014, 7.30pm

Our major fundraiser this term is our Disco Through the Decades. We are going to transform the Village Hall; our resident DJ is Party Beats Disco. Fancy Dress is optional - and there will be a free cocktail for all those in Fancy Dress and a Prize for the best dressed! As well as other fun treats to provide entertainment through the evening!

These fundraisers are always good fun and a great way to celebrate the end of the school year. Tickets are £10 and available in advance from Rainbows.

This event is still in the planning stage so if you would like to help organise this evening please come along to the meeting on Tues 6th May at The Bulls Head - 7.30pm for 8pm start.

Ewhurst School Transition Visits - 2nd, 9th June 2013

If your child is going to Ewhurst school in September and you would like staff to escort your child up to Ewhurst school on these dates then please ask permission from the school first that it is ok for us to drop them off. Parents will need to collect from Ewhurst School.

Wisley - Tuesday 10th June

Our annual Rainbow's summer trip is coming up on Tuesday 10^{th} June. Letters have gone out with a proposed itinerary for the day and a form to complete and return with payment in full. We need this back by Friday 23^{rd} May.

Fathers Day activity morning - Friday 13th June

Daddies are invited to our Father's Day activity morning. We invite daddies/male relatives of Rainbow's children to stay and play for the first hour. This event was a huge success last year and we will be coming up with more competitive activities to enjoy with your child. Please RSVP so we know how many daddies to expect.

Sports Day - Wednesday 18th June - 10.30am

All children will be taking part in this year's Sports Day. We will be asking for a small donation towards team t-shirts, which the children love. Each child will need a parent/carer present at the sports day and Rainbow's will not be open beforehand as staff will be setting up for the event at the recreation ground.

Teddy Bear's Picnic - Tuesday 1st July - 11.00am

All of the school leavers at Rainbow's have been invited to attend a Teddy Bear's Picnic at Ewhurst School on the $1^{s\dagger}$ July. Children usually in on a Tuesday will be taken up and brought back down by Rainbow's staff. If your child is not in on a Tuesday (and a school leaver) but would like to attend, please let us know.

School Leavers

Teachers from Infant and Junior Schools are starting to ring up to come and visit the children at Rainbow's. Another date for your diaries, if your child is leaving us at the end of term to go to school, is the leavers' party, which will be on **Wednesday 9th July** at 12:30-2:30pm. There will also be a leavers service on **Thursday 10th July** at 11.30am. All families are invited to attend this.

Ewhurst Carnival - Saturday 12th July 2014

We pride ourselves on being a very important part of the Ewhurst community and as such would like as many of our children to take part in the walking procession at the carnival this year. The theme is Mardi Gras and we are yet to decide how we will decorate ourselves, but for now please put the date in your diary and look out for more information by email.

Baker's Child

As always, we ask different parents to help make or buy 20 cakes or biscuits each to sell with their children at 12.15pm. Please come at 12pm to help your child set up the table and display the cakes.

Wednesday 30 th April	Ben
·	Flora
	Alfie
Friday 9 th May	Troy
	Patrick
	Hugo
Friday 16 th May	William
	Henry
	George W
Wednesday 21 st May	Edith
	Рорру
	George R

Rainbow Bear

Rainbow Bear has had some lovely trips home with children this year. See below for the list of lucky children to have him this term.

Tue 29 Apr - Tue 6 May	Greg
Tue 6 May - Mon 12 May	Isabelle T
Tue 13 May - Tue 20 May	Stan
Thu 22 May - HALF TERM	Isabelle H
Thu 5 Jun - Wed 12 Jun	Alfie
Wed 12 Jun - Mon 16 Jun	Bella
Mon 16 Jun - Mon 23 Jun	Jack R
Mon 23 Jun - Mon 30 Jun	Troy
Tue 1 Jul - Tue 8 Jul	Amelia

Sound and Song of the week

Each week we talk about a different sound of the week as an introduction to phonics. The sound of the week basket by the name tree can be filled with objects that children find starting with that sound. Why not see what you can find at home with your child to bring in? e.g. A - an apple.

Week commencing	Sound	Song
22 nd April	Р	The Day I went to Sea
28 th April	C,K	Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer
5 th May	E	I'm a little Teapot
12 th May	Н	Mr Peter Rabbit
19 th May	R	Hickory Dickory Dock

Committee notes

Officers

We will be holding our Annual General Meeting this term. A major part of this meeting will be to appoint officers for the next academic year - The current officers are moving on and without filling these positions we are unable to operate. Please think about giving something back to Rainbow's.

We have had some interest, and one parent has committed so far - just another 2 to go. The roles are Secretary, Treasurer and Chair Person.

Due to increased work commitments our current Chairperson (Rachel) is having to step down from sole responsibility but is happy to stay on as a committee member and support the future chair. If anyone would like to know what is involved please contact Rachel or Paula. The role really isn't as daunting as it may seem.

As well as officers we are also looking for parents to join the committee. This involves attending a meeting once a term and, if you are able, helping to arrange some of the events Rainbows puts on during the year!

If anyone is interested in these rewarding roles please contact Rachel Thompson.

AGM - Thursday 19th June 2014, 8pm, The Bulls Head

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 19th June 7.30pm for 8pm start at The Bulls Head. This is a chance to hear what has been happening at Rainbow's over the past year and an opportunity to vote in new officers for the next year. All parents of children currently attending are eligible to vote and to make any votes count we need a minimum of 15 parents present so please do come and join us. It is a great way to see how well our fundraising has gone over the year.

Bulls Head Quiz Night in aid of Rainbow's End - Monday 7th July

The Bulls Head are kindly donating all the quiz money to Rainbows on this night. So for those of you out there who love a pub quiz then this is the night for you! It only costs £2 per person to enter and there is no limit on team size. It is always nice to put together a few teams to show our presence and have a good night. If you are interested in coming please get in touch with Rachel Thompson.

Ewhurst Carnival - Saturday 12th July

Rainbows End Pre-school will be having a stand at the Carnival this year and we will run 'Feed the Dog' and our famous Lucky Dip. Profits will be split 50/50 between Rainbow's and the carnival committee's chosen charities.

The children love to take part in the parade and it is a fantastic family fun day. We would appreciate any help from parents on the day to 'man' the stands.

Daddy DIY

If any Daddies out there are good planners, we are wanting to build a water wall and need a simple step by step plan on how to build one. We are hoping to arrange a day over a weekend for a Rainbows DIY morning. We mentioned this last term and now that we have permission from the Village hall to go ahead, a date will be arranged shortly.

DATES FOR YOUR FRIDGE

Monday 2 nd June	School leavers parents evening
Saturday 7 th June	Disco Through The Decades
Tuesday 10 th June	Wisley trip
Friday 13 th June	Father's Day Activity Morning
Wednesday 18 th June	Sports Day
Thursday 19 th June	Rainbow's End AGM, Bulls Head, 8pm
Monday 7 th July	Bulls Head Quiz in aid of Rainbow's
Wednesday 9 th July	Leavers Party – 12.30pm, Village Hall
Thursday 10 th July	Leavers service -11:30am, Church
Friday 11 th July	Last day of term
Saturday 12 th July	Ewhurst Carnival Procession

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