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## Newsletter – Summer Term 2013

Welcome to all those children who have started pre-school this term. We are enjoying getting to know them and hope they are settling in. Summer is fast approaching and half term is only two weeks away (**last day of term 24<sup>th</sup> May and back on 3<sup>rd</sup> June**). Below are a number of dates for your diary and also some important notices, so do take time to read this newsletter.

### Sainsbury's Vouchers

Please bring any "Active Kid's" vouchers in this week as the promotion ends soon. Nicky is hoping to buy a den/tent for the garden.

### Sainsbury's in Moorland Road

Sainsbury's are offering to donate money to the most nominated charity in Bath. Last year another pre-school was awarded this money. If you feel we deserve to have it this year, please visit Moorland Road and fill in a form. Thank you.

### Sound of the Week

"Show and Tell" will be replaced by "Sound of the Week" following half term. Every Monday we will look at a different letter from "Jolly Phonics" and will learn the sound and action. The first letters we are going to learn are "S, A, T, I, N."

### New Staff

A big welcome to Paige (? Surname) who has joined the staff team, full-time. We are very fortunate to have her as she is great with the children and loved by all.

### Fundraising

A big "thank you" goes out to the "Victoria Meat Draw" which gave us £500 to assist with employing Paige. However, we still need to find £500 to cover her salary. Due to our busy lives, commitment to schools and the sheer effort involved in running a big fundraising event, the committee has decided to ask everyone for a small donation. If you feel able to contribute, please fill in the form at the end of this letter and return. If we all gave £5, we would make £180, or give more!

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Join your child for a “voice play” workshop where you can learn about the importance of signing and music to aid your child's development. Coffee and cakes will be served after the session (small donation please), so do come.

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> June

Pre-school will be closed for an “In-set” day. Staff will be preparing paperwork for those going to school in September.

Fri 14<sup>th</sup> June “BIG Bike Bananza”

This is an event being run by Oldfield Park Junior School and we have been invited to join in the fun too. We plan to walk from pre-school along the Linear Path to Bloomfield Park, by the 1<sup>st</sup> new tunnel. We will have a picnic together and sing the Oldfield children off as they embark on their bike ride. This is an event where parents will need to come along with their child. More information will follow shortly.

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June “Summer Trip”

We hope you can join us even if it isn't your child's usual day at pre-school.. We are planning to get the train from Oldfield Park station and journey to Bradford-On-Avon, where we will play in the park and have a picnic (in the tithe barn if raining) Parents will need to come (ratio of 2 children to 1 adult). We will give you more information nearer the time.

Tues 16<sup>th</sup> July – AGM

Everyone is invited to this meeting, children included. It will be after the morning session (12.30pm), so please bring a picnic, tea and coffee provided. We will need to say goodbye to the current committee and appoint new members for next year. If you would like to join the committee next year either as the Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer or Fundraiser, please do speak to Nicky. It is a very rewarding role and is as busy as you want it to be. As a charity, we are legally required to have a parent lead committee in order to open our doors in September, so please sign up!.

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers/End of Year Party

We are still planning this but please put the date in your diary. All parents are welcome to stay and join in the fun.

Thank you so much if you are able to make a donation.  
Regards from all on the committee.

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I would like to donate (amount)..... to Stepping Stone's Pre-School for it's ongoing running costs.

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