



# Newsletter June 2008

## Staff News

We'd like to congratulate Lisa, who gave birth to Lydia on 29 April. Both are well.

## Committee News and AGM

The Pre-school AGM was held on 19 May. The following were elected as committee members:

Chair: Jenny Sells  
Vice-Chair: Kirstin Sykes  
Treasurer: Antoinette Machin  
Secretary: Maddy Curtis  
Admissions: Andrea Ware  
Fundraising & Publicity: Debbie Quilter  
Washing: Sarah Lamont

A big thank you to all, and to Katrina Edwards, who is stepping down now that Millie is going up to primary school.

Next committee meeting will be Monday 23 June, at 8pm in the Stables at the White Horse (tbc). All parents and carers welcome.

## Cars in Gravel Close

We do appreciate that most parents walk to Pre-school, or park in the Co-op car park, and we would like to thank you for your mindfulness of the children's safety, and your consideration of the residents of Gravel Close.

Please, please, can we remind anyone who might be tempted to drive to Pre-school that it is part of our agreement with our landlords, the Downton Band, that we do not allow traffic to inconvenience the residents by blocking the road, or jeopardising the safety of the children going to and from Pre-school and the Primary School.

## Session Confirmation Forms

Session confirmation forms for the Autumn will be sent out very soon, so have think about the session you'd like your child to attend, bearing in mind our admissions policy of :-

**Date of birth before 1/9/05 - up to 5 sessions a week, maximum 3 mornings.**

**Date of birth on or after 1/9/05 - up to 3 sessions a week.**

The form is due back to Pre-school by Monday 23rd June 2008.

Sainsbury's and Tesco's schemes

Last vouchers for the **Tesco's Computers for Schools** were issued in store on 11 May. Please bring all vouchers in **by Monday 9 June**, so we can send off our order that week. Many thanks, we do appreciate your help and so do the children!

**Sainsbury's Active Kids** scheme runs until 4 June. Last year we collected enough vouchers for some bean bags, a balance board and a book of games for our parachute. If you could bring **all vouchers for the Sainsbury's scheme in by Monday 16 June**, we would be very grateful.

Collecting boxes are in the lobby.

#### Primary School open afternoon

News from the Downton Primary School newsletter.

The Primary School is holding an Open Afternoon for parents with a child or children who will be starting school in the next few years. This will be held on Thursday 17 July between 1.45 and 3.45 pm. Please give the school office a ring on 01725 510556 if you would like to go; this is just to give the school an idea of the numbers attending.

#### Fee Increase Reminder

From September 2008, the fee per session will rise to £7. Lunch club fees remain unchanged at £2.50 for the time being.

#### Toddle Waddle

Thank you to everyone who took part in the **Toddle Waddle** for the Meningitis Trust on **Tuesday 1 April**. We raised £300.50

#### Term dates

Term 6: 2 Jun. – 25 Jul. 2008

Term dates 2008-2009

Term 1: 8 Sept. - 24 Oct. 2008

Term 2: 10 Nov. – 19 Dec. 2008

Term 3: 5 Jan. – 13 Feb. 2009

Term 4: 23 Feb. - 3 Apr. 2009

Term 5: 20 Apr. – 22 May 2009 (tbc)

Term 6: 1 Jun. – 24 Jul. 2009 (tbc)

#### Web site

A reminder of our web site:  
**<http://www.downtonpreschool.co.uk/>**