

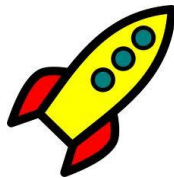


Newsletter: February 2012

Rising Fives Pre-School Group, Whitchurch

Ahoy There Shipmates

I'm sure you will have heard **LOTS** about the recent **pirate shenanigans** at Rising Fives! The children have had a great time recently making lots of pirate themed crafts from eye patches to hats and parrots! They've enjoyed dressed up role play on their very own Jolly Roger boat in the play room too! I would like to say a big thank you to the staff for really getting "on board" with this child led topic. I am looking forward to seeing what happens when the children go into space in the coming weeks!



Spare Clothes for Rising Fives?



Rising Fives would be very keen to accept either

- ❖ appropriately sized clothes for children who may need a spare set after "accidents" and
- ❖ Whitchurch Primary School sweatshirts for use in our dressing up corner, where children can really get into the swing of role play and preparing for school!

Fund Raising

A BIG "Thank You" to all parents and businesses who have supported our first two fund raising efforts. Our November Quiz Night raised £188 10. The Christmas Fair saw a good turn out and by sharing profits with the Whitchurch Association we have raised a further £298. Special thanks to Sarah Castle from the Gill Nethercott Centre for her key role in organisation!

Stay and Play

It was great to see the Stay and Play sheets filling up on the outside Notice Board last term. The children love new faces coming in to play and help! Please try and sign up for a session this term too.

Easter Fun Day

This year Rising Five's **EASTER FUN DAY** will be on **Saturday March 24th**. Do you have unused or unwanted Christmas presents which would be suitable for our Tombola? A wide range of prizes makes searching for the winning tickets much more fun! All donations can be brought into Rising Fives from this week. More details of the day, and how you can help, will be on their way soon.

Jumble Sale Donations

Rising Fives are holding a good old fashioned Jumble Sale at the Parish Hall on **Saturday 28th of April**, so please bear us in mind when having your Spring clear outs! We are hoping to collect a good range of **clothing, toys, books, dvds, white elephant** etc- but sorry no electrical goods. Details of when to bring things in will be sent out shortly. Thanks go to Natasha Lambden who has kindly said she will store items in her recently cleared garage!

Toddler Group

We are currently investigating whether there would be any interest in a toddler group held on Wednesday afternoons in the Rising Fives setting. If you are interested, or know of anyone who would be, please could you contact **NATASHA Lambden** by e mail at nlambden@live.co.uk.

Diary Dates

Easter Fun Day Saturday March 24th
Jumble Sale Saturday April 28th

Spring Term: Thursday 5th January - Friday 10th February
Half Term Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February
Monday 20th February - Friday 30th March

Summer Term: Monday 16th April - Friday 1st June
Half Term Monday 4th June - Friday 8th June
Monday 11th June - Thursday 19th July