



Newsletter: July 2012

Rising Fives Pre-School Group, Whitchurch

Leavers Graduation !

Leaver's Graduation is **Saturday July 14th between 12 and 2 pm**- to accommodate families wishing to attend the Summer Fete at the Lawns. We hope to see as many of our leavers there as possible to mark the end of their time at Rising Fives.

Olympic Torch and other Visitors

Olympic Torch: What a GREAT experience for the children at Rising Fives to have an actual Olympic Torch to hold! Many thanks to Gill Newton for organising it and to the staff for getting the children photographed with it. It must have taken some effort to print and laminate to have them taken home on the day but what a great memento for years to come!

People who help us! This end of term continues to be busy with a visit from a Policeman, nurse and a trip to the Fire Station. Thankfully all in the aid of "People Who Help Us" rather than anything more sinister!

Farewell from our Chairman

As my time as Chair draws to a close I would like to say a big thanks to all my committee who have helped with Rising Fives events and decision making this year. Also to the parents who have supported us at our events. You know who you are!

A **BIG thank you** to all of the staff at Rising Fives is due as we draw to the end of the school year and many children get ready to move on. I know that the children have loved their time at Rising Fives and have made great friends to share the times ahead with. I want to wish the Staff a well- deserved rest over the Summer Break and hope that the sun shines a little more in August!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL STAFF,

HAPPY PARENTS AND CHILDREN!

Parental Support -Dates to look out for!

1. Please look out for dates in early **September** inviting you to a **New Parents Meeting** which will give you a chance to find out more about Rising Fives and the Early Years Curriculum.
2. Also- and importantly- there will be an **Annual General Meeting** towards the **end of September**. It really is important to have parental support at this. As well as reporting on the previous year it is your chance to join the committee and play a role on decision making, policy reviewing and fundraising. Several committee members will be standing down as their children leave so new members are essential.

Looking Ahead

As Chair of Rising Fives Management committee I would like to inform you that Gill Witts is no longer working at Rising Fives. We will shortly be advertising for a new Manager for Rising Fives with view to them being in place during September. I would like to say how grateful I am to all the staff for the way they have supported the setting this term - in particular to Katie Hardy and Frances Price who have stepped up to the roles and responsibilities of Manager brilliantly. I am sure that next year the setting will continue to go from strength to strength.

Diary Dates

Autumn Term:	Wednesday 5th September - Friday 26 th October
Half Term	Monday 29 th October - Friday 2 nd November
	Monday 5th November - Wednesday 19 th December
Spring Term:	Monday 7th January - Friday 16th February
Half Term	Monday 18 th February - Friday 22 nd February
	Monday 25 th February - Thursday 28 th March
Summer Term:	Monday 15 th April - Friday 24 th May
Half Term	Monday 27 th May - Friday 31 st May
	Monday 3 rd June - Friday 19 th July