



Newsletter: March 2014

Rising Fives Pre-School Group, Whitchurch

Busy busy busy...

We have created a bike and scooter area at the front of the building. You will have noticed a variety of bikes and scooters for the children to use, depending on their age and stage of physical development. The children have also been having lots of fun using the large traffic signs to direct the traffic.

The children have had lots of fun with science this half term. A very big thank you to Emile Paisnel, Lacey's Grandad, for running a fantastic geology session where the children handled, examined and talked about different types of **rocks and fossils**. This was followed up a couple of weeks later with a **treasure hunting activity**. The children took it in turns to use a metal detector to find different metal objects hidden in the sand and explored which metals gave the stronger signal on the metal detector. Great fun was had by all!

Next term we will be encouraging an interest in gardening and the children will be planting a variety of seeds and plants. If you have **an interest in gardening** and can **spare an hour** or so to help the children do some planting or have some old wellies (big or small) we could use as planters, we would **really welcome your help!** Please do have a word with Gill or Denise.

Have a lovely Easter Holiday we will see you on the 22nd April.



Active Kids Vouchers

We are still collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. We hope to be able to further improve our outdoor space with the vouchers we collect.



Farewell

We are very sad to be saying farewell to Linda Hart. She has been working at Rising Fives for the past seven years.

Linda will be greatly missed by staff, children and parents. We wish her all the success for the future.

Spare Clothes

We are in need of spare clothes, if your child has grown out of any and you would be willing to donate them to our dwindling supply of spares please speak to Gill or Denise. In particular we need girls socks, pants and trousers as well as boys trousers. Also if your child **has borrowed some spare clothes** please could these be **returned as soon as possible**. Thank you.



- Please make sure that you send your child in with at least one **spare change of clothes**. As the weather will be warming up the children will be making the most of the water play area.
- **Water bottles** should contain only **water** as part of our healthy eating policy - if this is an issue for your child please speak to your child's key person, Gill or Denise.
- We are in need of more **raffle prizes** for our Quiz night on May 1st, all donations will be gratefully received.
- **Stay and Play** - if you can spare just a couple of hours please speak to Gill or Denise.



Diary Dates

End of term -	Friday 4 th April
Term begins -	Tuesday 22 nd April
Quiz night -	Thursday 1 st May