



Newsletter: September 2014

Rising Fives Pre-School Group, Whitchurch

Staffing and facilities

Over the holidays we have completed some works at Rising Fives. The toilet area has had a complete overhaul, with 3 new child sized cubicles, a changing area, a new staff toilet and some much needed storage being installed. We also had two doors fitted allowing for safer fire exits and increasing security. Thank you to Jo and Nadia for all the time you gave up in the holidays to co-ordinate builders and to Fiona and her partner, Alan, for sourcing and installing the new doors.

We have, unfortunately, had a few staff changes over the holidays. Gill Newton and Denise Street have decided to move on. Gill will be working at Action for Children as a Family support worker which is something she has wanted to do for a long while. Denise will be moving to a setting, much closer to her home, in Southampton. We wish them both well and thank them for everything they have done at the setting to make it a great setting for our children to attend. Vicki Golding will be stepping into the SENCO Role and will be Acting Deputy from September with the support of Sarah, our Manager. We are in the process of advertising and appointing a new deputy for the setting and we will keep you



Reminders

- Please could children bring their bag, with a change of clothes, their water bottle and book bag every day.
- We are going to move "Group Time" to 9.30 in the morning from 23rd September. It would be helpful if you could try to get the children in and clear the setting as promptly as possible once your child has settled.
- We will now be emptying the pigeon holes of children's work on Friday afternoons, so please remember to take your child's work home every day.
- There will be a new system for sending out letters as many are not getting to you. Letters will be clearly named with the child's name and put on low tables near the door. Please check regularly for letters to take home.
- We are moving our records across to a new electronic system and may need to request some new information from you. Please complete and return any paperwork as soon as you can.



AGM - 25th September 2014

Parental support is vital to keeping Rising Fives running. As well as reporting on the previous year, the AGM 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



Diary Dates

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| 2 nd September - | Closed for staff training |
| 3 rd September - | First day of term |
| 25 th September - | AGM meeting 8pm |
| 24 th October - | Closed for staff training |
| 27 th -31 st October - | Half Term Holiday |
| 19 th November - | Parents meetings |

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