

# **COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER March 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

March has arrived and with it longer days and hopefully some good weather. Pre-School continues to return to normal with the introduction of open mornings for you as parents to come and see your child play. We continue to thank you for your ongoing support, adapting to the changes that have been introduced due to Covid-19.

**New Committee** – The committee remains the same with details of their roles found below. Thank you to those who have stepped forward recently to join us, but we do need more help. At the AGM (in June) several of the committee are due to step down as they longer have children within the setting. To keep the Pre-School open we need you!!!

The committee have an important role and without them the Pre-School would be unable to open, function and could close. We meet around 6 times a year to plan and organise fundraising to enable the Pre-School to continue to run. The roles are shared out amongst us and range from paying the wages, to minute-taking to organising important fund raising events. It's a great way to meet people and become part of this lovely community. No experience is required, just enthusiasm. If you have time and would be willing to join us, then please either speak to a member of staff or one of us on the committee.

**Facebook -** Keep up to date with news and events on our Facebook page – search Middle Barton Pre-School and "like" the page.

**100 Club** – The 100 club is one of the activities that we run to help raise funds. By purchasing just 1 number for the 100 Club, not only will you help support the Pre-School, but you could win up to £50. The more numbers you have, the more chances you have to win. The 100 club costs £12 a year per number and membership runs from September to August. Every month 4 numbers are drawn, each winning £10. At Christmas there is a special draw of one prize of £50. For more information and to purchase a number see a member of staff at Pre-School.

Winners: November -Isobel C, Sheila D, Lorraine P, Gill C

December: Jean C

January: Rachel G, Natalie M, Magda V, Bernie B

February: Vicky W, Jill T, Jeff B, Ella D

**Amazon Smile** – Are you a regular shopper with this company? Then at the till support us. For any items bought on Amazon, then they will then donate a small percentage to us. If you require more information or help, then please ask a member of the committee.

## **Fund raising**

**Past events-** Thank you so much for your generosity over the past events that were held during November and December. The amount raised are as follows:

Lighting of the tree -£500.95 Santas Sleigh - £982.12 Advent Trail and Quiz - £116.00

The money raised is going to be spent on new toys and equipment that the children require but also towards the upkeep of the building. Without any of this the building and environment would

not look so welcoming.

# **Forthcoming Events**

**St Patricks Irish Stew and quiz night** – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm within Middle Barton School Hall. Come join us for an evening of fun. Teams of up to 8 people. £10 per person with food included. Contact either Kelly Peedell on 07790171220 or Caroline Knight on 07901700407 to book your table.

**Easter Eggstravaganza** – Friday  $8^{th}$  April. 5pm – 6.30pm. Tickets £5 per child. Under 1's are free. Come and join us for an Easter egg hunt, light tea and some Easter crafts. A great way to chat to other parents and welcome the start of the Easter bunny's arrival. Details on how to join us will follow with your child.

#### Term dates -

Half term starts on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April Pre-School starts Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

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