

COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The final term has begun - and with that hopefully some good weather. I'd like to start off by thanking everyone who came and supported us at the Easter Trail and then at the Village Coronation Gathering on Sunday 7th May. The weather was kind to us for both these occasions and we were able to raise over £400. I've been asked recently where the money raised will go and will it go to the Pre-school? The answer is yes. Over the Easter holidays we replaced the entrance gate, added more bark to the play area, hung new outdoor mirrors and chalk boards as well as building a new wooden Teepee for the children to play in. More toys such as outdoor musical instruments have also added more enrichment. We are currently looking at adding some cover to the sandpit that will protect the children from the sun and rain. Without your support and generosity this would not be possible. If you have any ideas of new ways to fundraise then we are always keen to listen.

Committee – The committee contacts are as follows.

Chair Caroline Knight Publicity Ellen Frost
Secretary Isobel Crowther 100 Club Freya Wallace
Treasurer Rachel Grindrod Events Vicky Bailey

Karen Mcgowan Rebecca Harwood

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 and becoming a member of 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 Freya or a member of staff at Pre-School.

AGM – The Annual General Meeting is to be held on **Thursday 28**th **June at 7.30pm** at Preschool. This is an important meeting open to everyone. Within this meeting we share what has occurred over the past 12 months, not only financially but also with the day to day running. The Pre-school is important to this village and has been here for a great many years. To help run it we need a committee and are always on the lookout for new members. This year we are looking to fill the position of **Chair**. After a great many years, I have decided to step down. This is an important role that supports the staff, committee, and building. If you are interested and would like to know more about it then please either speak to a member of staff, a committee member or myself.

Forthcoming Events

AGM – Thursday June 28th at 7.30pm End of term event – date to be confirmed. Please look out for posters

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