

# Parent Liaison Group: a voice for parents

Issue 3: Summer 2011

Welcome to the SUMMER issue of the PLG Newsletter

We hope you are all enjoying the summer and are able to have a break from usual routines.

The Parent Liaison Group met on 7th July 2011 and will meet again on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2011.

In a bid to make the PLG more accessible to you and to ensure the latest related information is available to you, Ben has been busy creating a Honey Pot PLG dedicated web site, which is well worth a visit:

<https://sites.google.com/site/honeypotplg>

You'll find biospies of the PLG representatives, details of the past and upcoming events and an archive of all the PLG Newsletters.

You will also find a new section called '**Skills Exchange**'.

Essentially this is a place to allow parents from the Nursery to register their skills to allow other parents to easily find them when they need a tradesman, professional service etc. and help support other parents at the same time.

*Any suggestions for amendments or improvements to the site are more than welcome, so please use the link on the web site and share your thoughts.*

B-B-Q



The BBQ held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June was a huge success. It was well attended and everyone had a lovely time in the sun.

We are hoping to make this an annual event!

Toy and Bric-a-Brac Sale



This event was, to say the least, a disappointment! and a stark contrast to the BBQ!

A lot of time and effort went into the event which was only attended by one parent – we realise that we had not got it right!

In order that we don't make the same mistake again, we distributed a questionnaire for your views – remember the PLG is your voice.

We would like to thank all the parents that filled in the feedback forms at the end of year event at the Nursery and we will go through these to try and make sure we are running events that interest you.

### The Questionnaire results suggest that:

- Parents would like a rescheduled Sale nearer to Christmas – to include first quality used toys and clothes
- Parents are enthusiastic about our child friendly social events: e.g. Music Festival and Halloween Party
- Skills sessions especially for parents e.g. First Aid – would be welcomed

## Childrens Music and Rhyme Festival

The Nursery is going to hold a **Music Festival on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September, 5.30 – 7.30** with your PLG Representative running craft activities and face painting during the Festival for both you and the children to enjoy.

More details will be made available nearer the event but to wet the taste buds the food is likely to be based around a Pork and Apple theme!



## Proposed Forthcoming Events

### Halloween Party



It is hoped that as many parents and children will be attending in fancy dress!

The date is to be arranged. Please look out for information closer to the time!

### Somerset Total Communication



All of the staff and one parent undertook the full training course recently. This was an excellent course taught by Barnardos.

I am sure everyone has noticed the new signs the children have learned both in Nursery and at home.

We are hoping to host another course in the Autumn, designed specifically for parents - each session is 90 mins long with 30 mins designated for tea and interaction.

This should provide a you with a really good opportunity to support your child with their signing and to enable you to understand what their signs mean.

## First Aid Course



The Nursery is again looking to run some free first aid courses to cover the first aid basics. Please let the Nursery staff know if you would be interested.

## Parent Liaison Group

The aim of the Parent Liaison Group is to provide a link between the Nursery and the parents, so if you have any thoughts or ideas on what small things you think could make a big difference please do let us know.

The group is not intended to be a fund raising resource.

You can either approach any of us in person, or contact us through our group email:



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## Parent Liaison Group

The next meeting of the PLG will be 1<sup>st</sup> September 2011.

Please let us have your suggestions / hot topics by the **30<sup>th</sup> August**.  
All suggestions will be discussed.

*Joy, Louise and Ben.*



