



Newsletter

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You may or may not know, Rainbow Pre-school is a not-for-profit organisation overseen by a Parent Committee.

As a registered charity, the most important role of the Committee is to raise much-needed funds for equipment and resources. Your children benefit from every single penny we raise!

We are always seeking new members to join the Committee and add to the mix of skills and experience that the existing committee has. If you would like to join the Committee or would like more information, please get in touch with Sally (current Chair) or Donna to put yourself forward. Being a committee member is a very rewarding role. Not only is it a great way to get to know the Rainbow team better and to meet other parents, it's also hugely gratifying and great fun! It gives you a real insight into what goes on behind the scenes at pre-school as well as the opportunity to have a genuine impact on your child's time at Rainbow.

No previous experience is necessary, and you can choose your level of commitment based on the time you have to spare.

A number of our Committee will be standing down at the next Annual General Meeting in July, as their children have moved on to school. We are seeking any parents/grandparents/carers who would be interested in joining but we particularly need a Chair, Treasurer or Secretary. Please speak to Sally (current Chair) or Donna for more information.

Rainbow Pre-school provides a vital role for our children and our community, and we look forward to you being part of the team that ensures our wonderful pre-school continues to grow and thrive.

Please note that should the Committee not obtain enough volunteers, then the Pre School cannot legally operate. The Committee must have a Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and at least 2 other members.

Chair: Sally Baker sjbaker1981@hotmail.com

Cake Sale & Mothers Day Gift

We will be running a cake sale from Wednesday 28th February until Tuesday 5th March.

Sales will take place at both 12pm and 3.30pm pick up times. Any cake donations will be greatly appreciated.

Alongside the cake sale, we will be taking pre-orders for our Mother's Day gifts. These will be personalised book marks made by the children and will cost £2.50 per book mark. More than one book mark per child can be ordered.





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Advertisement boards

As some of you are aware when we run an Open Day or a fundraising event Temme English kindly supply sale boards to advertise the events.

We have an Open Day on the 3rd June followed by our Summer Fun Day on the 30th June, if you are willing to have a board up to advertise both the events, please ask Donna for a form to complete. The open day board will go up in May and then the Fun Day board will replace the open day board shortly after the 3rd June.

Summer Fun Day 30th June 2024

If any parents, or family would like to help with the summer Fun Day, or would like to book a stall please let any of the Aunties or committee members know.



Do you work for a large corporate company?

Mum's, Dad's and Grandparents, if you work for a large company there is a good chance your firm offers matched funding/giving. This is a huge fundraising opportunity for us with minimum effort from you.

Please let us know if your company offers this. We can provide email templates, letters and any support needed.

Easyfundraising App

Another way to help with fundraising is by downloading the app called easyfundraising.

You can use the app for on line everyday shopping and in doing so will give free donations to Rainbows.



The app has lots of different shops from your weekly shop at Asda to booking holidays, Ebay and John Lewis.

When downloading, make sure you choose the correct Pre-School search for Rainbow Pre-School - Wickford



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Dates for your Diary

15 th February	End of term
16 th February	Preschool Closed for Open day and Staff Training
26 th February	Start of Term
28 th Feb – 5 th March	Cake Sale
3 rd June	Preschool Closed for Open day and Staff Training
30 th June	Summer Fun Day
8 th July	AGM and Parents Evening
18 th July	End of Autumn Term
19 th July	School Leavers Presentation 9am-11am

A note from Auntie Donna

Wow, where is this year going? Your children have been amazing, we have made a Dragon for Chinese New Year. Flipped pancakes, made love hearts for our special people. And still have lots more to do before half term.

We still have items that are being left behind because they are not labelled with your children's names. Please help us to send items home with the right children.

Have a wonderful half term and we will see you all on the week commencing 26th February 2024.