### **Pound Hill Pre-School**

Pound Hill Community Centre, Worth Road, Pound Hill, Crawley, West Sussex. RH10 7EP 07765245933 Mon-Fri 9.30am – 12.30pm www.poundhillpreschool.com



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## Newsletter - November 2009

### **Sponsored Obstacle Course**

Thank you to all children who took part in October's Sponsored Obstacle Course and an extra special thank you to all parents /carers and children who managed to raise £602. We look forward to another successful event in the summer.

## Big thank you

Big thank you from the committee and staff to all parents/carers who volunteered their time to help clean the toys and put them into their new covered storage boxes. The job continues so please check the parent/carer notice board in the reception area for cleaning dates, we would love you come along and help. The response to the request for old sheets and newspaper was fantastic, thank you we have enough now. Thanks also for the donations for the table top sale, sadly it was not well supported on the day so funds raised were lower than we had hoped,

### **Volunteering at Crawley charity shop**

We have been given a great opportunity to raise funds for our pre-school and support our local charity shop. They need people to help sort and price donations. The time commitment is 2-3hours fortnightly on a Wednesday, approx 1.45pm — 4pm. Pound Hill Pre-school will then get a percentage of the money made in the charity shop. If you are able to help or you know someone who can e.g a Nan, Aunt or friend please speak to Jill Marshal.

### **Christmas Concert and Fair**

The children are busy learning their songs ready to entertain you at the Christmas Concert on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. It starts at 11am and ends at.12.30pm. Tickets are £2 per person or £3 for a family, payable on the door to include tea, coffee and a mince pie. We will also be having a Christmas fair for the children to have fun, a chance to do some Christmas shopping, and raise some more funds for Pre-school, so leave enough time at the end of the concert to enjoy looking around the stalls. Stalls to include, Gift / craft stall, tombola, guess the name of the teddy, Lucky Dip, Teddy pull and Santa ball game, raffle and possibly more.

Thank you for all your very kind donations for the tombola and Christmas Hampers. . It is not too late to donate your items, so please bring them into the pre-school as soon as possible. We also need some help on the day manning the stalls. A sign up board will be in the entrance hall nearer the time.

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# Picking up on December 17<sup>th</sup>

Please be advised that after the concert children will be responsibility of the parent/carer before they can take part in the Christmas fair activities, Parent/carer not attending the concert will need to pick their child up at 12pm on 17<sup>th</sup> December.

## **Christmas Raffle**

We have an excellent list of raffle prizes for this year's Christmas Raffle. Tickets and a list of raffle prizes have been sent home to each child, please try to sell as many tickets as you can, and return all spare tickets and money by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December ready for the raffle draw on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. The more tickets we sell the more money we raise!

## **Christmas Party**

**Friday 18**<sup>th</sup> **December** is party day! The session will be starting slightly later that day at **10am.** We are lucky enough to have DJ Toby Wightman providing a disco for the morning free of charge. Father Christmas will also be making an appearance bearing gifts for all the children. The charge for the party is £2 per child to help cover the costs for the party to be paid on the morning. Nearer the time we will also be sending home a paper plate with a party food request on it; please can you return it on the party morning filled with goodies! If your child does not normally attend on a Friday they are more than welcome to be part of the fun, please notify Jill so we can ensure appropriate staffing levels.

### **Forthcoming Events**

Following on from the success of last year' we will be holding a 'Dragon's trail', on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February and an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> of April. Both events will be held at Milton Mount Hall and Gardens. There are loads of fun activities planned, full details will be sent out nearer the time, but meanwhile pencil these dates in your diary.

#### **Committee Meeting**

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30pm at 4<sup>th</sup> Worth Scouts in Three Bridges. Please come along and share your fundraising ideas!

# **Dates for your Diary**

Christmas Concert and Fair - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Party – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Last day of term – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

First day of Spring Term – 4<sup>th</sup> January