



# Children's Voices

## The King Street Pre-school Newsletter

King Street Pre-school is a registered charity – number 1121482

April 2009

### **Great grant news!**

We have obtained two grants in the past month:

1. £290 from the Grassroots fund for a new tray unit and new wipe-clean floor cushions.
2. £1,065 from the County Council for new tables and chairs, and for a new banner!

These new items are on order so the room will soon look much smarter!

### **Sponsored walk**

Our big fundraising event of the year is will take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Dana, Agata, Melanie and Paulina will be walking along the river from Cambridge to Ely – a distance of 17 miles! Members of the committee will also be walking and it would be great if as many parents as possible could join us. NO TRAINING is required, and you just need to be averagely fit. We did this event last year and it took us 6 hours, at a not-that-fast pace to make the distance. It is a beautiful walk along the river too!

We need your help in one of three ways:

1. By taking part in the walk and raising some sponsorship money (please email me if you would like to do this and I will give you all the information you need: [melissajefferies@hotmail.com](mailto:melissajefferies@hotmail.com))
2. If you feel 18 miles is too far, then join us for the 6 mile part of it from Cambridge to Waterbeach – some of the committee will be doing this too – and again, email me if you would like to do this.
3. By sponsoring us! Either give cash / cheques to Dana or donate using your credit card at [www.bmycharity.com/kingstreet](http://www.bmycharity.com/kingstreet) and click on the 'donate now' button at the bottom of the page.

***This is a great opportunity to meet all your fellow parents, to have a great day out, to raise lots of money and imagine that sense of achievement to have walked all that way!***

### **Thanks**

Thank you to X's Mum Susannah Smith for making two new cushion covers – what with the new wipe-clean floor cushions purchased from the grant, and the library shelves unit from the Christmas raffle money, the book area is now looking very appealing!

Thanks too to X's Dad, Richard Farrell, for offering to maintain and update our website.

## ***Fundraising***

- Thank you to everyone for helping with the sponsored Easter Hop - the event was covered by the Cambridge Evening News with a large photograph of some of the children. **Please ensure all sponsorship money is handed in to Dana by Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March please.**
- We will be holding another cake sale, the last of this academic year, on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June** – please bring and buy some cakes – it is blood donation day so we should sell lots.
- It would be great to do a raffle at the cake sale so if you are able to donate a prize, please contact Melissa Clark (details at the bottom of the page).

## ***Questionnaire***

Thank you to all that filled in and returned the questionnaire. All results have been compiled and will be included in the next edition of the operational plan, out in June, and a copy will be placed on the website. There were some very positive comments about the staff and setting. Parents are keen to have a lunch club at the pre-school and those that are staying on in September will shortly receive a letter with further details.

## ***Parent social night out***

We are having a social night at The Old Spring pub on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May** – please come along after 8pm for a drink – a great opportunity to meet the committee and other parents!

## ***Parental help rota***

Please sign up on the new rota to help out once this summer term; many thanks!

## ***Dates for your diary***

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Hop money returned by this date please

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – May Day, no pre-school

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Parents’ night out, Old Spring pub, from 8pm

25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May – Half term

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Cake sale

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Sponsored walk from Cambridge to Ely

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – End of term

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