

# The Bugle



## Fundraising

Pre-school has recently been awarded a grant from the County Council Councillor fund to purchase two learning toolkits.

The committee has applied to the Town Council for a grant towards the insulation work at Woolley Road.

All the proceeds from fundraising will be going towards insulating Woolley Road and painting and repairing the outside of Tin hut.



We are signed up to The Giving Machine Scheme to help raise funds for the Pre-School.

### What is The Giving Machine?

A registered UK Charity helping other UK registered schools and charities benefit from a source of free cash donations. There are currently over 6,500 schools and charities raising funds from over 80,000 Givers using The Giving Machine website. To date they have generated over one million donations!

### Which Retailers are taking part?

Most of your favourite online stores are participating and here is a list of some of our most popular shops which include Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, Sainsbury, Next, eBay, Argos, Debenhams, Play.com and Virgin Atlantic.

As an example £100 spent at Amazon, John Lewis, Viking Direct and many others could easily generate over £3 in donations at no extra cost to the shopper.

Sign up and donate money to Pre-school as you shop. Go to [thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://thegivingmachine.co.uk), quickly set up an account and search under causes for **Matlock Pre-School Playgroup Association**.

You can split your donations between charities if you'd like to support more than one.



Planning is underway for this year's Summer Fair which will be held this year at Tin Hut on 18th June 2-4 pm. Further information will be sent nearer the event. Let's hope for nice weather

## Tin Hut Tots

**Tin Hut Tots**  
At  
Matlock Preschool Playgroup

Do you have a pre-schooler & are you looking for something exciting to do on Monday afternoons?

**Monday 1.30-3pm**  
(during term time)  
At the Tin Hut site of the Matlock Preschool Playgroup  
205 Smedley Street, run by Helen Hunt supervisor from Pre-School Playgroup  
£2 per family

Offering crafts, songs and indoor/outdoor playtime (weather dependant) including refreshments

For more information please contact us on 01629 583639

Matlock Pre-school Playgroup Association  
Registered charity No.

512263

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Special points of interest:

Parking:

PLEASE do not park on the white lines or block peoples drives, it is for your children's safety!

### Contact details:

Tin Hut: 01629 583639

Woolley Road:  
07789737417

Liz Neil:  
Please use in holiday time to contact pre-school or for general enquiries  
07792 353802

Please let us know if there are any changes to your details.

E-mail :  
matlockpreschool@gmail.com

Website:  
www.matlockpreschoolplaygroup.yolasite.com

# Building Work

## Woolley Road Toilets

The toilets have been replaced and new lower sinks installed. The children are already finding them a huge improvement.

Decorating and hand dryers need to be arranged as the next step in the process.

## Woolley Road Insulation

Quotes have been obtained for the work.

The committee discussed the quotes and agreed that a structural engineer's opinion is required on the type of work being suggested for the insulation and whether the building is suitable.

The committee has applied to the Town Council and The Lottery for additional funding and plan to carry out the work over the summer holidays

## Tin Hut Exterior Painting

Tin Hut will be getting a fresh coat of paint over the summer holidays. Thank you all for supporting our fundraising which will pay for this work.

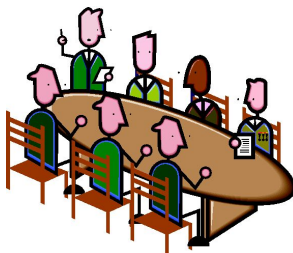


# Drop off and pick up

There have been a growing number of cases where children are being dropped off late and collected early from sessions. Please try to ensure that the children are dropped off on time as it disrupts the start of the session for the other children. It also causes issues with funding as we are not allowed to claim funding while your children are not attending.

# Next Committee Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th April at 7:30pm at Tin Hut



# Whats happening?

## Gardening Club

Next term both sites will be running gardening clubs:

Monday am at Tin Hut

Thursday pm at Woolley road.

Please ensure that your children bring a warm coat, we will provide wellies. The gardening clubs are run by parent volunteers with members of staff assisting.

## Parents evenings

During the 2nd and 3rd week of the summer term we will be holding parents evenings. Your child's key person will be speaking to you to arrange a time.

Please could Woolley road parents let us know at the parents evening which school your child will be joining.

At the parents meeting Tin hut staff will be asking you to complete a session request slip for Woolley road placements in September.

## Transition visits

We will also be starting our transition visits to Woolley road and All Saints School during the first half term. The purpose of the visits are to ensure that the children are familiar with their new settings and staff. The dates will be released this term.

# Dates for your diary

Both sites will no longer have any inset days so the term dates will follow Derbyshire County Council. If any dates change we will let you know

11/04/2016: Pre-School Opens

13/04/2016: Starlight Clothing Collection

20/04/2016: Committee Meeting (TH)

14/05/2016: Maintenance Day (WR) 9am - 12pm

21/05/2016: Individual and Class Photographs (WR) 9:30am

27/05/2016: Pre-School Closes

06/06/2016: Pre-School Opens

08/06/2016: Committee Meeting (WR)

18/06/2016: Summer Fair (TH)

09/07/:2016 Leaver/Moving Up Party

**15/07/2016: Pre-School Closes (A week earlier than School)**

## Things to watch out for

To enable us to protect children who have nut allergies please could we ask parents not to bring in any food treats (such as for birthdays) unless they have checked the ingredients carefully.

- Packaging must be checked for:
  - Not suitable for nut allergy sufferers
  - This product contains nuts

If your child has any products which contain nuts in their lunch box, please let staff know so that they can take the necessary steps to ensure the safety of all the children in the setting.

**child is ill**  
Please contact the Staff if you have any questions or if your