

Committee newsletter

October 2023










Welcome to the new school year – term 1 has flown by! I hope you and children have all enjoyed a fantastic start to 2023 and that all of our new starters are now feeling right at home.

I took over as Chair of Paddocks in September. My daughter, Sophie, has attended Paddocks for the past year and absolutely loves her time there! I'll be using this newsletter as a way to keep you all up-to-date with the latest news and information from Paddocks. As we move towards Christmas there will be a lot going on so do make use of the Facebook group and weekly blogs to ensure you don't miss anything. As we head into the half-term break, I want to extend my thanks to our wonderful team of dedicated staff. I wish them, and you all, a happy half-term.

Helen

Paddocks Pre-School Committee

Paddocks Pre-School is a committee run charity. The committee is made up of parents elected annually (normally at our AGM in June) and we meet every 6-8 weeks. Our 2023-24 committee members are:

 Helen Lubbock (Chair)	 Anthony Beatty (Treasurer)	 Jordan Hallam (Fundraising)	
 Amy White	 Ellie Siv	 Luke Williams	 Lou Greenaway (Manager)

Our thanks goes to Kerry Miles who has been the secretary of the committee for the past year. Her hard work has been very much appreciated.

The committee provides oversight and governance of the pre-school, supports staff and oversees fundraising. We are always looking to recruit more parents to join the committee. If you would be interested in joining or would just like to find out more about what's involved, please email chair@paddockspreschool.com

Fundraising Team

Thank you to everyone who supported our cake sale for the Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue. We were delighted to raise XXX. Fundraising is essential to the continued success of Paddocks Pre-School; it bridges the gap between government funding and what an Early Years setting actually needs to run effectively. Money raised through our various fundraising initiatives goes straight into resources and equipment for the children. We are always on the lookout for new ideas and volunteers to help us run events. If you would be interested in helping plan future events, please email chair@paddockspreschool.com.

Christmas raffle

The committee are busy gathering some fantastic prizes for the Christmas raffle!

Tickets will go on sale XXX

Christmas tea towels

These will be available to order XXX

Playground markings!!



We are very excited to announce that we have agreed for new playground markings to be installed. This will include a road track around the path in the outside area so that children can drive their cars and scooters around. We are hoping it will teach road safety too! Weather-permitting, the new marking will be installed over half-term.

Paying for the new markings will be the focus of our fundraising this year. Please do help if you can.

Staff news

We would like to take the opportunity to welcome new staff member, Gina, to Paddocks. Gina joined in September and has made a great start. We are very pleased to welcome her to the team!

Dates for your diary – Term 2

Mon 30 th October	INSET day – no children on site
Tue 31 st October	Start of Term 2
Wed 20 th December	End of Term 2
Thurs 21 st – Fri 22 nd December	Christmas Play Days