



PIPPINS & BRAMLEYS NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2025

WELCOME

Welcome to our first Pippins & Bramleys newsletter. As a brand new committee we want to keep you up to date with what is happening behind the scenes. You can expect to receive one of these each term and will help to keep you up to date with all that is happening at Pippins alongside more regular updates through Babydays by the Pippins team. If you have any feedback or would like anything else included please let us know as we want this to be valuable to everyone.

Did you know?

Pippins is a registered charity! It is run by a committee of volunteer parents and a fantastic team of dedicated staff. We would love for all parents to be involved in supporting the preschool in achieving its vision of creating an environment that inspires and nurtures every child in its care. If you would like to be involved please do get in touch. Any help no matter how big or small makes a huge difference. The more help we have the more we can achieve together.

PARENT REVIEW

As a new committee we will always endeavour to put the children at the forefront of everything we do alongside the team at Pippins that look after your children everyday. We would like to hear from you and gather your thoughts on the setting and your child's experience at Pippins with our anonymous questionnaire. To complete please scan the QR code. If you could please complete this by 1st March.

FUNDRAISING

Our ongoing fundraising events and activities we run are currently focused on raising money to replace and update the play equipment in the garden. This is a big project which we are hoping to complete in the summer holidays.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for supporting our events and raffles with prizes and donations. It means so much to us and without you these events would not be a success.

So far this year:

Christmas Craft Fair - £654
Christmas Raffle - £226
Christmas Cards - £205
Halloween Party & Raffle - £273
New Years Walk Donation - £50
Happy Bags - £342

What fundraising events would you like to support in the future? Do you know of any local companies, grants or funds that we as a registered charity may be eligible to apply for or receive.

If so please get in touch!

secretary@gravenhurstpreschool.org.uk

Pippins & Bramleys Parent Survey
(Anonymous) - Feb 2025





DIY SOS



PIPPINS 100 CLUB

Pippins is a purpose built preschool, however, as you may have noticed the building is beginning to look a little tired and needs a little bit of love. The committee have enlisted the help of a handy man to make a start on the skilled tasks that require doing throughout the property. Behind the scenes we have also been busy securing donations from Wickes & B&Q through their charity programmes and are continuing to contact other large companies with similar schemes to source the materials that we need to give the grounds and buildings some much needed TLC.

We hope that anyone connected to Pippins whether it be parents or family & friends will enjoy our new fundraiser - The Pippins 100 Club.

For a payment of £15 you will be allocated a prize draw number to be entered into 12 monthly draws plus 3 bonus draws in December, April & August. Each month there will be a 1st, 2nd, 3rd cash prize. This is open to all including friends and family and you can purchase more than one number. Prize draw numbers will be on sale from Pippins from 14th Feb and the first draw will be April.



WE NEED YOU! SUNDAY 16th MARCH 2025 PIPPINS BIG DIY SOS DAY

Here is our plea! We are hosting a Pippins community day with free teas, coffees & cake from 10am - 4pm. In return we would love some help from parents, grandparents, family and friends to help us repaint the building, weed the garden and generally have a good tidy up and no doubt a bit of a giggle along the way.

So if you can spare some time and would like to get involved please do let Julia know at:
secretary@gravenhurstpreschool.org.uk

EASY FUNDRAISING

One of the easiest ways everyone connected to the preschool can help to effortlessly raise money is by joining the Easy Fundraising scheme. This scheme partners with over 7000 everyday brands who will donate part of what you spend to your designated cause. It doesn't cost you a penny as the donation is covered by the retailer. Please sign up today to help raise money for Pippins from your everyday online spending.

More Information to follow through Babydays.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- **HALF TERM - 17th - 21st February**
- **VALENTINES DAY - 14th Feb - Pink & Red day**
- **DIY SOS DAY - SUNDAY 16th March**
- **PIPPINS COFFEE MORNING - 20th March**
- **SPRING CHICKS DISCO - 25th April**

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