

Streatley Hill Pre-school – New Building Project

Sept 09 update

Why do we need a new building?

Our current temporary building is not fit for purpose:

- **Current building is deteriorating.** It is over 15 years old and (and was second hand when acquired).
- **Doesn't meet Ofsted recommendations** - for disabled access, nappy changing/toilet area, separate quiet area for naps, food preparation area and private staff/parent area
- **Is too small for demand** – we need to accommodate 24 children per session (currently 14).
- **Doesn't allow for extended hours** – Current maximum hours are 9am – 1pm because of space restrictions. With the facilities above we would have the option of opening 9am – 3pm according to demand.

What do we want to build?

- A system-built building to last 40 years
- Increased size of building from 60m² to 140m²
- We are looking at a number of suppliers – it is our intention to select a new building in with its woodland location and built along sustainable principles.

Who is working on it?

The New Building Team comprises:

- Pre-school parents including a number with professional school redevelopment and building industry experience
- Pre-school staff and Trustees
- Sarah Whatmore – Early Years Teacher Advisor – West Berks Council Early Years

Our Supporters:

Richard Benyon MP
West Berkshire Councillor Alan Law
Member for Lower Basildon
Streatley C of E Primary School Governors

How will we fund it?

We are currently actively fundraising from a variety of sources: Early Years Capital Fund, our own reserves, grants from trusts and foundations, and local fundraising.

When will this happen?

Target: July – Sept 2010. Ideally built during summer holidays

Who are we?

Streatley Hill Pre-school Group is a charity serving the local community. It is run by a volunteer management committee made up of parents and has 5 staff. We currently have 33 children on our register aged 2 - 5 years old.

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