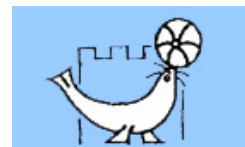


# Robbeburg Newsletter



Robbeburg International Playgroup

[www.robbeburg.com](http://www.robbeburg.com)

November 2008

Firstly, a big thank you to our two new co-chairs for volunteering to run the Committee: Anne Hampton from the Friday morning group and Laura Amiss from Tuesday morning. Good luck to Anne and Laura, please give them your full support. As a parent-run playgroup we need the help of more mums and dads. We desperately need new group leaders for our Monday and Thursday morning sessions, an editor for our newsletter and someone to help with publicity and fundraising. If you think you could help with any of these roles please email [co-chair@robbeburg.com](mailto:co-chair@robbeburg.com) - the group leader positions are particularly important for these groups to continue.

## Robbeburg Christmas Party

What better way to spend a cold December afternoon than at the Robbeburg Christmas Party? On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 3pm until 5.30pm there will be Christmas music, fun for the little ones and drinks and nibbles for the adults. Tickets are just 3 euros per child, which includes a present from Santa. Tickets on the door will be 5 euros. For more information see the attached flyer. If any dads or granddads would like to volunteer to be our Father Christmas, please email [events@robbeburg.com](mailto:events@robbeburg.com)



## Yummy Mummies

Congratulations to our new mums: Nicola from the Wednesday morning group who gave birth to Aisling in October; Suzy from Monday morning who gave birth to Anneka also in October and Rebecca from Tuesday morning's group who gave birth to Benjamin in November.

## 10% Discount for Robbeburg at American Book Center

The American Book Center on Spui in the centre of Amsterdam has English language books on every topic you could think of. The ABC is offering Robbeburg mums and dads 10% discount on everything, including sale items, but excluding newspapers. Details of how to get your 10% discount card will be on the noticeboard shortly.

## Hallowe'en Fun

Despite the terrible weather over 90 people came along for Hallowe'en fun and dancing at Robbeburg. The afternoon raised over 200 euros. If you enjoyed the party, don't forget to come along to the Christmas Party on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

## Works at Robbeburg

Our landlord is replacing the ceiling, laying a new floor and repairing the windows at Robbeburg some time in December. As soon as we have more information we will inform group leaders as it is likely the playgroup will have to close for a few days while these works take place.

## Where shall we take the kids?

If you dread eating out with your little ones, why not try the following restaurants, all tried and tested and 100% child friendly:

**Plancius**, next door to the excellent Dutch Resistance Museum, and opposite Artis Zoo, is a busy modern restaurant. Try the home-made soups, hummus sandwiches, omlettes and delicious spicy peanut soup. High chairs, smaller portions and friendly service. Plancius, Plantage Kerklaan 61a, [www.restaurantplancius.nl/](http://www.restaurantplancius.nl/)

Pancakes of all kinds, savoury and sweet, poffertjes and hamburgers are on offer at the **Carousel**

**Pannenkoeken House** which has wooden carousel horses for the kids to ride while they are waiting for their food. There is also a kids corner with a TV and cartoons. Carousel Pannenkoeken House, Weteringcircuit (opposite the Heineken Brewery). No website.

If you are in the Kalverstraat and the kids need refuelling, take them to **David and Goliath**, the café of the Amsterdam Historisch Museum. It has a simple menu of sandwiches, croquettes, soup, cakes, ice cream and lots to entertain the kids, like the giant Goliath statue, pictures to colour and a large terrace in good weather. David and Goliath, Kalverstraat 92, [www.davidengoliath.nl](http://www.davidengoliath.nl)

The **Hard Rock Café** offers the usual Hard Rock menu of steaks, burgers, salads, sundaes and brownies. Every Sunday afternoon from 1pm there is free face painting, a colouring competition and other fun for the kids. There are also Santa Breakfasts in December, see the website for more details. Hard Rock Café, Max Euweplein 57 – 61, [www.hardrock.com](http://www.hardrock.com)

After a hectic morning at the Albert Cuyp market, you deserve a good brunch, and **Bazar** is just the place. This converted church has a ceiling of twinkling lights to delight any child, plus a kid's corner with TV and cartoons. There are high chairs and super friendly service. Continental style breakfasts, Turkish sandwiches, soups, salads and falafel are on offer. Bazar, Albert Cuypstraat 182, [www.bazaramsterdam.com](http://www.bazaramsterdam.com)

There are several **Bakkerswinkel** around Amsterdam, famous for their cakes, pastries and high tea. For the little ones there are colouring pencils, books and toys to keep them busy while you relax. De Bakkerswinkel: Roelof Hartsstraat 68, Westergasfabriek and Warmoesstraat 69. [www.debakkerswinkel.nl](http://www.debakkerswinkel.nl)



Plancius



Bazar



De Bakkerswinkel



David and Goliath



Carousel Pannenkoekenhuis



Hard Rock Cafe

## The New Robbeburg Committee

We are always looking for new committee members, if you are interested in taking a more active part in the running of Robbeburg, please contact [co-chair@robbeburg.com](mailto:co-chair@robbeburg.com)

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**Celebrate**  
*the holiday season*

with good friends  
and holiday cheer!

**Robbeburg Annual Xmas Party**  
**December 14 at 15h00 to 17h30**  
Jekerstraat 84, 1078 MG Amsterdam

*Entry tickets for children up to 12 years  
€3 per child if purchased before party  
& €5 if purchased at the door.*

*Raffle prizes to be won, buy your  
raffle tickets now!  
You can also help support  
Robbeburg by selling raffle tickets  
to your friends & family!*

## For Sale



## Snack Trap Cups

The original anti-spill snack cup, which allows little ones to feed themselves while minimizing spill and clean up for Mom!

### Price 8 Euros

If you would like to buy one please contact Erika via email or telephone.

Email: [e\\_reiter21@yahoo.ca](mailto:e_reiter21@yahoo.ca)

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Snack trap cups come in blue, green, and orange.

I will deliver your order at your convenience to Robbeburg.



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