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Newsletter Autumn 2013

🐧 Dear Parents, Carers & Partners,

Welcome back to a new term of activities and services run by the Children's Centre Team here at Pyrford & Byfleet. We have had a great timetable of activities running throughout the summer term, and have enjoyed working with all our families over the glorious summer period.

We were very lucky over the summer to have two parents to volunteer at our community events, who ran a Face Painting Station and did some fantastic balloon modelling. We are looking for volunteers to help at our Christmas Party on Monday 9th December, so if you have similar skills or talents to share at the party, please let one of the Centre Team know.

At the end of last term we had a visit from OFSTED who carried out a two day inspection of the Children's Centre under the OFSTED Framework. The inspectors visited many of our sessions and talked to our parents & partners. Thank you to all of those who played their part in the inspection process both on inspection days and in the past. We are very proud to announce that we were graded as Good, and are one of only two Children's Centres in Surrey to be graded this highly under the new framework. You will find attached to this Email a copy of the full report of the inspectors findings for you to view.

We look forward to seeing you soon

Carey, Clare, Nasreen, Shirley & Yvette

parent forum

The Parent Forum is your voice on what the community needs from it's Children's Centre. Your views are very important to us.

The Parent Forum is a valuable resource to help us run holiday sessions & events including our Christmas party etc.

If you think you would like to be part of this please contact the Children's Centre for more details.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 14th October

Trading Boards

The Children's Centre now offers a trading board at it's St Mary's, Byfleet location and at the Byfleet Clinic in the Village Hall.

So whether you are looking for a bargain or have something to sell, please let us know and you can advertise for free.



Summer Holiday Fun

We kick started our Summer with a lovely Wisley Walk, it was a very hot day, and we had a talk down by the lake with the Scare Crows, then we went inside and had fun digging up potatoes! We also foraged for leaves & twigs and made a nice picture.

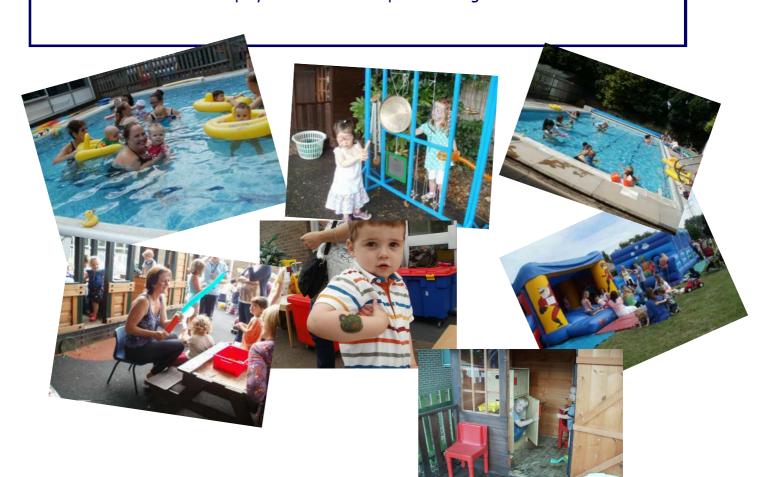
We had a really busy summer holiday, enjoying lots of outdoor activities with our families. At the beginning of the month we had our fantastic outdoor play in the reception garden, with 2 of our wonderful parents volunteering to do Face Painting & Balloon Modelling, thank you very much to Nicky Andrews (Freya's Mummy) and Lynn Cozons (Lauren & Holly's Mummy) for giving us your time and talent.

Then we had Swimming on Friday afternoons in the Pool at Pyrford Primary School, how lovely to see our babies and toddlers enjoying a splash with Mummies & Daddies.

We had the fantastic "Bounce & Play" session in the school field at St Mary's, where we had a record amount of families join in the fun. With a bouncy Castle and an Inflatable obstacle course, and of course the balls, hoops and ride ons!

Lots of families joined us for a Pram Push and picnic on Byfleet Rec, where we played some fab parachute games and some enormous bubble blowing.

Our Lions & Cubs group enjoyed a Saturday morning in the pool at Pyrford with some extra play time in the reception class garden.



Are You Looking For Childcare?

Please contact the Children's Centre should you require any help, support or information on local childcare providers.

The Children's Centre advertises local registered Child Minders Vacancies.

Please see an advert below for one of our local Child Minders

There is a range of childcare available locally.

Looking for a childminder?

I am an OFSTED registered childminder with up to date First aid training and I am a member of PACEY.

With many years experience as a childminder, teacher and mum, I strive to offer care, learning and loads of fun in a 'home from home' environment.

Ideally located in Pyrford, I can offer to drop off and pick up from several nurseries as well as the local Primary School.

Please call to discuss your requirements.07952685814
Or email: FIONACARUTH@AOL.COM



Working Tax Credit

Local data indicates that there are families in the Children's Centre area, who are not claiming the Childcare Element of their working Tax Credits, even though they are entitled to.

To see if you may be eligible for this benefit or any others please go to

www.gov.uk/benefits-adviser



If you need any support or help with this please contact a member of the Children's

Centre team

01932 339055



FRESH START JOB SEARCH NETWORK

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Come along to the Maybury Centre, Board School Rd. Maybury GU21 5HN on Wednesday at 12.30-1.30 to meet our local adviser.

Get help with job search skills, online support and hidden jobs.

EVERYONE WELCOME

- One to one help
- Laptops available for job search skills
- Relaxed atmosphere
- Free coffee
- Support with English language skills

Contact Sunita Kaur sunita@caringdaycare.co.uk 01483 730517 or Elizabeth Whiddett Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership ew@surreyllp.org.uk 01483 476632 Or just turn up!







babycafé



Woking Baby Café
The Ypod Centre
Chobham Road
Woking
GU21 6JD

OPEN MONDAYS (except Bank holidays) 10am—12 noon

A drop in centre for pregnant and breast feeding mothers. Friendly, relaxed café atmosphere with expert help and support on hand.

If you require support at other times see below for alternatives.

NCT Helpline

every day (including bank holidays)

8am - midnight

0300 330 0700

Breastfeeding Network Supportline

every day 9.30am - 9.30pm

0300 100 0210

National Breastfeeding Helpline

every day 9.30am - 9.30pm 0300 100 0212

****Breast Pump Hire****

Did you know you can hire a Breast Pump from us?

These electric breast pumps are recommended by Health Professionals and Breast Feeding Councillors.

For a small fee of £10 for a period of up to 2 months.

Please contact one of the Children's Centre team for more details



ECAT: Every Child A Talker

Communicating with your child from as early as possible, can help your child develop healthy speech and language skills

A FEW TOP TIPS

- Ditch the Dummy! Try to keep the dummy for sleep times only, when children talk from behind the dummy this stunts the development of forming sounds.
- Chew Chew Chew! Encourage your baby to eat finger foods that encourage them to chew, rather than just swallow. The chewing action strengthens the jaw muscles allowing the mouth to make the correct sounds to speak.

For more tips or information about communicating with your child, visit the Children's Centre, and chat with one of our friendly team.

Useful Websites:

www.talktoyourbaby.org.uk/home www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/hello

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Venue & Group		Day	Time
Chobham& West End Children's Centre: Breastfeeding Support Clinic Chobham Community Centre, Chobham, Surrey GU24 8AB 01276 855675 Lucas Green Surgery, Lucas Green Road, West End, Woking, Surrey GU24 9LU		1 st and 3 rd Wednesday 2 nd and 4 th Wednesday	1.30 – 3pm 1 – 2.30pm
Clarendon Children's Centre: Baby Cafe Knapp Road, Ashford, Middlesex TW15 2HZ For babies up to 4 weeks only	01784 424759	Thursday Monday	12.30 – 2pm 12.30 – 2pm
Farnborough Breastfeeding Clinic (Frimley Pk Hosp. Midwives) Owls Children's Centre, Mayfield Road, Farnborough GU14 8LH	01276 604604 01252 519920	Monday and Thursday	1 – 4pm
Farnham Hospital: Health Visitor Clinic Hale Road, Farnham, Surrey GU9 9QL	01483 782000 ext. 782086	Monday	10 – 12noon
Gomshall Mill: Ruth Fromow Gomshall Mill, Gomshall, Guildford, Surrey GU15 9LB	07833 902229	Wednesday	10 – 11.30am
Grovelands Children's Centre: Breastfeeding Drop-In Sandy Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey KT12 2EQ; and 1 st , 3 rd & 5 th Thursday of each month	01932 229313	Thursday	9.45 – 10.45am
Guildford Children's Centre: Child Health Clinic Hazel Avenue, Bellfields, Guildford, Surrey GU1 1NR; and York Road, Guildford, Surrey GU1 4DU	01483 566589 01483 561652	Wednesday Friday	9 – 11am 10.30 – 12noon 9.30 – 10.30am
Guildford Grove Children's Centre: Drop-In Clinic 'The Spinney', Southway, Guildford, Surrey GU2 8YD	01483 504713	Monday (except Bank holidays)	12.30 – 1.45pm
The Maybury Centre: Baby Clinic Board School Road, Maybury, Woking, Surrey GU21 5HD	01483 776877	Thursday	1 – 3pm
Old Woking Children's Centre: Drop-In & Baby Club The Community Centre, Sundridge Road, Old Woking, Surrey GU	01483 727608 22 9AT	Tuesday	11.30 - 12.30pm
Pine Ridge Children's Centre: Baby Clinic Esher Road, Camberley, Surrey GU15 4AW; and Breastfeeding Support Group High Cross Church, Knoll Road, Camberley GU15 3SY	01276 401605	Tuesday Wednesday	9.15 – 10.30am 12.30 – 2.30pm
Potters Gate Children's Centre: Drop-In Clinic Beavers Road, Farnham, Surrey GU9 9QL	01252 891250	Monday (except Bank holidays)	10 – 11.30am
Royal Surrey County Hospital, Parentcraft Room, Level B, Antena Egerton Road, Guildford, GU2 7XX (venue may vary occasionall		Wednesday	10.30- 12noon
Sayes Court Children's Centre: Breastfeeding Support Group Sayes Court School, Sayes Court Farm Drive, Addlestone, Surrey	01932 851502 KT15 1NB	Tuesday	10 – 12pm
St John's Children's Centre: New baby Group. Contact Centre for Victoria Road, Knaphill, Woking, Surrey GU21 2AS			
Sythwood Children's Centre: Drop-In Clinic Sythwood Primary School, Sythwood, Woking, Surrey GU21 3AX	01483 770063	Thursday	2 – 3.30pm
Woking Children's Centre: Baby Club Blackmore Crescent, Sheerwater, Woking, Surrey GU21 5NZ	01483 730517	Tuesday	11 – 12.30pm
Woking South Children's Centre: Baby Cafe 01483 757160 / YPod Centre, Chobham Road, Woking, Surrey GU21 6JD	7 07919 145320	Monday (except Bank holidays)	10 – 12noon
NCT BREASTFEEDING COUNSELLORS			
Carol Smith: Byfleet & District Branch Karen Vickery: Walton-on-Thames Mary Soane: Walton-on-Thames Rachel Loxton: Woking Branch Trisha Whisker: Chertsey & Addlestone Branch	01932 353036 01932 230727 01932 785749 01483 771552 01932 842536		

It's not a 999 emergency. But you need medical help fast.



You'll be asked some questions so that we can assess your symptoms, then direct you straight away to the local service that can help you best.



When it's less urgent than 999

For more information visit www.nhs.uk/111

**** Donations wanted ****

At the Children's Centre we are always looking for donations of
Shoe Boxes
Garden or Children's Magazines
Stickers

To help us with some up and coming craft ideas
Please hand any donations to a member of the Children's Centre Team.
Thank You

****Polite Notice****

In the months of June, July & August, <u>92</u> places were not filled as families failed to attend sessions they had booked, without letting us know.

This is <u>92</u> places that could have been filled by other families on our waiting lists.

Please remember, although we are providing these sessions free of charge, they still come at a cost to the Children's Centre. If you are unable to commit to your booking, please consider others on the waiting list. Please let us know if you cannot attend, no matter how short the notice is.

Useful Links

Health

www.milk.co.uk

www.breastfeedingnetwork.org.uk

www.nhs.uk/change4life

www.nhs.uk/vaccinations

www.wbhc.org.uk

Surrey Dental Helpline 0845 2712040 Stop Smoking Helpline 0800 022 4332

Training, Jobs & Finance

www.adultlearning in surrey.org.uk

www.jobfresh.co.uk

www.surreycc.gov.uk

www.gov.uk/contact-jobcentre-plus 0845

www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk www.windowonwoking.org.uk

Staying Safe

www.capt.org.uk

www.nspcc.org.uk 0808 800 5000

www.surreycc.gov.uk/domesticabuse
Your Sanctuary Surrey 24 hour helpline:
01483 776822

www.yoursanctuary.org.uk www.surreyagainstda.info

Additional Needs

www.asksid.org.uk www.whitelodgecentre.co.uk

Helplines

www.surreycc.gov.uk/fis www.citizensadvice.org.uk www.home-start.org.uk www.familyandparenting.org www.nfm.org.uk (family mediation)

Magazine Publications

www.surreyfamilygrapevine.co.uk www.familiessurreywest.co.uk

Play Resources

www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/grownups www.ascoeducational.co.uk

Other

Woking Borough Council: 01483 755855 www.woking.gov.uk

Children's Centre Policies

All the Children's Centre policies, including Complaints and Safeguarding policies, are available to view at all our venues.

Please ask a member of staff if you wish to see them.

We Value your Feedback.

Has the Children's Centre helped you?

Have you a Children's Centre story you would like to share?

Is there anything you would like to tell us about the Children's Centre?

If so please send us an email with your story & let us know if you would like to share this in the next Newsletter childrenscentreadmin@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

The Children's Centre Team

Clare Gane — Children's Centre Manager
Yvette Tree - Children's Centre Outreach Worker
Carey Harrison - Children's Centre Outreach Worker
Nasreen Farooq - Administrator
Shirley Wilson - Sessional Play Worker and Crèche Leader

The Team's contact details are as follows: 01932 339055

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School, Coldharbour Road, Pyrford, Surrey, GU22 8SP
Our opening hours are Monday, Wednesday & Friday

9.00am — 12 noon

12.30 pm - 3.30 pm