

Good to Know

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Working with Families News

News:	For more info:
Up-to-date local information on COVID-19 restrictions can be found on Council's website	Sandwell Latest
As rapid ' lateral flow ' testing access opens to all , Sandwell Council is reminding people to always follow up positive results with a PCR test to confirm the result.	https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/news/article/5992/twice-weekly-rapid-tests-now-available-to-all
<p>Would you like to become a Changes Parenting Practitioner and support families with children aged 0-19? Book a place and receive high quality resources to support you in helping parents develop skills in managing behaviour, communicating effectively, routines, online safety and much more.</p> <p>Simply log onto the booking page and sign up for the core and common course on the 8th and 10th June and then select either one or more of the specialist age ranges. The training is currently free. All resources will be posted beforehand.</p>	https://bookwhen.com/parentsupport
Changes Antenatal is being offered as both a three-week virtual course and as a distant-learning programme. If you know anyone who lives in Sandwell and is expecting a baby encourage them to book a place.	https://bookwhen.com/changes
It is National Stalking Awareness Week, so we are highlighting the West Midlands Stalking Support Service . They support women and men over 13 who are experiencing stalking and harassment. 1 in 5 women and 1 in 10 men will experience stalking in their adult life.	https://blackcountrywomensaid.co.uk/services/stalking-harassment/
Black Country Women's Aid has received funding from the Home Office to continue the Our Future project which supports children and young people affected by domestic abuse in the home. This support is offered across Sandwell, Dudley, Walsall and Wolverhampton, with referrals open to schools and children's social care.	<p>For more information and referral forms, please email: youngpeople@blackcountrywomensaid.co.uk</p> <p>https://blackcountrywomensaid.co.uk/our-future-supporting-young-people-affected-by-domestic-abuse/</p>

<p>Murray Hall Community Trust is recruiting a Project Co-ordinator for their Starting Well Project. The scheme will work closely with Midwives, Health Visitors, GPs, Social Care and PCN Social Prescribing Link Workers to support expectant mothers up to eight weeks after birth with a seamless handover to existing Children Centre services. In addition, it will provide early years' activities (0-2 ½ years children) where there are gaps in provision.</p>	<p>https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/91748/project-co-ordinator/</p>
<p>The Stop Loan Sharks Community Fund is now open for applications. Community organisations, charities and groups are encouraged to apply for grants of up to £5,000 from the England Illegal Money Lending Team (IMLT) for projects to help tackle loan sharks.</p>	<p>http://www.stoploansharks.co.uk/poca-funding/</p>
<p>Help pupils be alert to online scams and disinformation by downloading a lesson from <i>Parentzone</i>. This Be Internet Legends lesson is designed to help 7 to 11-year-olds learn the skills to spot if something online is real or fake, and to stay alert to phishers and online scams.</p>	<p>You can order a physical copy of the lesson on: https://parentzone.org.uk/alertlesson</p>
<p>SAFL are offering a fully funded online course; Information, Advice and Guidance (Level 2). The course is suitable for anyone working in, or looking to work in, a role which involves the giving of information, advice or guidance. You can start any time.</p>	<p>https://www.learnsafl.ac.uk/pages/home/online-courses/information-advice-and-guidance-level-2-certificate</p>
<p>Get a one to one performance over the phone with Black Country Touring's 'Dial a Story'. This Spring book a storytelling, poetry or music performance experience.</p>	<p>https://bctouring.co.uk/book-dial-a-story/</p>
<p>The Kickstart Scheme provides funding to create new jobs for 16 to 24 year olds on Universal Credit who are at risk of long term unemployment.</p>	<p>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/kickstart-scheme</p>
<p>If you would like to promote services or information in this newsletter or share a good news story, please contact the team.</p>	<p>Parent Support Team parent_support@sandwell.gov.uk</p>