

Good To Know

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Working with Families News

News:	For more info:
<p>Training dates for the revised Changes programme are now available for January 2020. The training programme is for practitioners working with families in Sandwell and guides parents through their parenting journey, focusing on their wellbeing and parenting approaches, hints and tips. It is a flexible programme that can be delivered in groups or one-to-one.</p>	<p>More details are available on the booking system.</p> <p>For practitioners to register: www.bookwhen.com/parentsupport</p>
<p>FREE training programme about Reducing Parental Conflict developed by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) is being rolled out nationwide. In Sandwell, a series of FREE one day courses are being delivered to staff and volunteers who work with parents across the borough. Dates for 2020 available.</p>	<p>To book: https://bookwhen.com/reducingparentalconflict</p>
<p>Brierley Hill Baby Bank are a non-profit organisation that collects good quality donations and distributes essential baby items including good quality baby clothes, nappies, baby toiletries, maternity pads and bedding, usually within a Moses basket to help promote safer sleep to expectant and new parents. They support families across Rowley, Cradley Heath, and parts of Tipton and Oldbury.</p>	<p>To contact the Baby Bank, email: brierleyhillbabybank@gmail.com; phone 07930 073077; or facebook @brierleyhillbaby</p>  <p>baby bank</p>
<p>The NSPCC has published the Childline annual review 2018/19. The review looks at what children and young people tell Childline during counselling and how Childline is supporting them. Findings include: in 2018/19 Childline provided more than 250,000 counselling sessions, 109,000 of which were about mental and emotional health and wellbeing issues and 4,500 were about child sexual exploitation.</p>	<p>https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/media/1898/childline-annual-review-2018-19.pdf</p>
<p>Be Internet Legends is a programme designed to teach Key Stage 2 pupils the skills they need to be safe and confident online. Developed by Google in partnership with the educators and online safety experts at Parent Zone, the FREE curriculum pack and Digital Wellbeing module are full of lesson plans, group activities and materials for teachers. Pre-order your wellbeing module.</p>	<p>https://parentzone.org.uk/legendshome</p>

<p>The Albion Foundation has recently applied for funding, through the Premier League and Children in Need, to offer a targeted programme for 8 – 14 year olds in the Sandwell area. The targeted work, in partnership with West Midlands Police, will accept referrals for young people who are at risk of being involved in knife crime and gangs. Candidates must have a good understanding of social, emotional and mental health difficulties and know how to implement education and care to young people with this need.</p>	<p>The Foundation will be holding an open evening on Tuesday 10th December, from 6 pm, at The Albion Foundation (Education Site), 8 Brasshouse Lane, Smethwick . If you would like to register your interest for the event please email anna.pincher@albionfoundation.co.uk</p>
<p>SAFS are looking for an organised, motivated Office Manager who will be responsible for the smooth operation of the executive functions of the organisation. This will include governance (board and subcommittees), some HR functions (such as inductions), office management and team diary support.</p>	<p>For information and an application form please contact SAFS offices on (0121) 558 2198 or email admin@safscare.org. Visit the website www.safscare.org to find out more about the charity.</p>
<p>Grants of up to £10,000 are available to schools, grass roots football clubs, local authorities and professional and semi-professional football clubs and their associated community organisations that are looking to refurbish their existing or develop new football facilities.</p>	<p>https://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/premier-league-the-fa-facilities-fund-small-grants-scheme/</p>
<p>From January 2020, Severn Trent Water is giving away £10million to support local projects, charities and community groups in the Severn Trent region. The funding is designed to improve community wellbeing. For more information and to register your interest visit their website.</p>	<p>https://www.stwater.co.uk/about-us/severn-trent-community-fund/</p>
<p>Visit Santa in his grotto at Sandwell Valley from 7th December and take part in other activities including magic shows, circus skills workshops, craft activities with Santa’s elves. Enjoy food and drink from Santa’s Shack, Rudolph’s Ranch and the tearoom.</p>	<p>www.sandwell.gov.uk/santaatthevall</p>
<p>Help keep everyone safe this Christmas and festive season. Counter Terrorism Police are calling on the public and those who work in busy town centres to remain vigilant and report any concerns to staff, security or – in confidence – report it to the police at the Action Counters Terrorism website.</p>	<p>If you see something that doesn’t look right – ACT. Report it either to local security or staff – or report it to police at www.gov.uk/ACT – and let them check it out.</p>
<p>Join the Think Local teams on Facebook and please tell your families about the page too - for information about jobs, apprenticeships, events and much more.</p>	<p>www.facebook.com/SandwellJobs www.facebook.com/futureskillssandwell</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>