

Dear Colleagues

**Child Protection Policy Workshop, Thursday, 20 November 10:00 – 12:00 at PCCS 338 Commercial Rd.**

There are still a few places left on this workshop. Bring along your existing policy and work with Siobhan Burns, Local Safeguarding Children Manager to ensure that your policy is up-to-date and reflects current legislation. To reserve your free place contact [june.hancox@portsmouthccs.org.uk](mailto:june.hancox@portsmouthccs.org.uk)

**Improving short break services and activities in Portsmouth**

Calling all mums, dads, carers who care for a disabled child. You are invited to “**have your say**” about current short break services and activities used by children with disabilities, and say what you think is needed. **Drop in to an open event** on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October at Langstone Junior School (Lakeside Avenue, Copnor) between 10am and 1pm (Crèche and refreshments provided). **Let us know your views** by visiting [www.portsmouthchildrenstrust.org](http://www.portsmouthchildrenstrust.org). **Ask to be kept in touch** - with news, other events for parents, and to request a survey. Come along to our **BIG EVENT on 27<sup>th</sup> November** – open to all parents, carers and service providers. You will hear the messages from parents through the October events and survey, and other information on what is available now. We will begin to plan together how to improve short break services and activities in Portsmouth. email [shortbreaks@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:shortbreaks@portsmouthcc.gov.uk), or ring Eve on 02392 841 607,

**Portsmouth Under Eights Forum (PUEF) is on the Move!**

From 9th October 2008 Portsmouth Under Eights Forum will be based at the follow address:

The Frank Sorrell Centre  
Prince Albert Road  
Southsea  
PO4 9HR

Tel: 07855295622  
Email: [Katherine@puef.org.uk](mailto:Katherine@puef.org.uk)  
Website: [www.puef.org.uk](http://www.puef.org.uk)

**Children' s Centre Stakeholder Consultation Event – Phase 3 Children' s Centres**

You are invited to a stakeholder event on **Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2008** at 12 noon - 2pm and Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2008 at 2pm - 4pm at the Central Library, Guildhall Square. Tea / coffee and sandwiches will be provided. Come and find out about the progress made with the development of children' s centres so far and the proposed plans and ideas for developing a further four children' s centres by 2010, including capital funding allocations. This will be an opportunity for you to ask questions, find out more and share your ideas and suggestions. For catering purposes, please could you reply by 17 October 2008. . Tel. No: 023 9267 0035 Email: [tts939@Portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:tts939@Portsmouthcc.gov.uk)

**Alcohol and Young People: Breaking the Cycle of Binge-Drinking, Anti-Social Behaviour & Violence Wednesday November 12th 2008:**

For more information go to <http://insidegovernment.msgfocus.com/c/12e30zFMEbO5XV44>

**Integrated Working:**

If your work involves helping children and their families, here's something to help you. Integrated working is where everyone supporting children and young people works together effectively to put the child at the centre, meet their needs and improve their lives. As part of a drive to promote integrated working the Children's Workforce Development Council (CWDC) is launching a monthly email update focusing on the six main elements of integrated working: the common core, information sharing, lead professional, common assessment framework, multi-agency working and leadership and management. If interested you can sign up at <http://www.integratedworking.com>.

**Dates for Your Diary**

2 December 1:00 – 3:00pm Alliance Briefing Event, Discovery Centre, Edinburgh Rd. – A Round up of the Year and Making Every Child Matters a Reality

4 December 9:30 – 1:30 Portsmouth Community Network Conference – Discovery Centre, Edinburgh Rd.

23 January 2009, 10am – 1:00pm Children' s Workforce Development Launch (Venue tbc)

For further information or to register for any of the above events, please contact [june.hancox@portsmouthccs.org.uk](mailto:june.hancox@portsmouthccs.org.uk).

*If you have any information you would like to share with colleagues, please let me know and I will include it in future newsletters. If you would like to unsubscribe, please let me know by reply.*

Best wishes,

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