

# SCHEMENEWS

# Home START

Newsletter for Home-Start Guildford Families

Support and friendship  
for families

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## HELLO!

Lots of families were able to enjoy lovely sunny weather at our two summer events in August. Then in September we had our 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Annual General Meeting with the Mayor of Guildford and other supporters attending.

We were delighted to have a mum we've supported, and a volunteer, speaking brilliantly about their experiences of Home-Start (thank you Sarah and Jill!).

Our Christmas Party is on **Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Dec**, 2.30-4.30pm - if you'd like to come please see the reply slip attached. Please don't hesitate to call the office if you have any queries.

With best wishes

*Liz, Lorraine and Harriet*



## Family Group

The Family Group at the forces base in Pirbright is enjoying a busy term, with 20 families on the register. The mums have experienced yoga and the children had fun printing their hands and feet on ceramics. The MOD brought in visual impairment 'beer goggles' for the parents to experience - quite an eye opener!



Thanks to all the mums for sharing their cultural talents - delicious!

## Picnic at Stoke Park - 2<sup>nd</sup> August

Stoke Park was buzzing with people on this hot August day, when our group of 13 families met up to enjoy cooling off in the paddling pool, feeding the ducks and having an ice-cream.



## Bocketts Farm Visit - 17<sup>th</sup> August

Bocketts Farm was as popular as ever with our party of 105 people enjoying all the animals and playgrounds. We were pleased so many of you could come.



## Christmas Party

10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2011

2.30-4.30pm

at Guildford  
Children's centre,  
Hazel Avenue



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## Annual General Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> Sept



Here is a picture of Liz (Senior Organiser) with the Mayor of Guildford cutting our 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary cake at the AGM. Home-Start Guildford was set up in September 1996 initially supporting 10 families - compared to the 166 families we supported in the last year (2010/11).

## USEFUL NUMBERS

### Surrey Family Information Service (FIS)

Tel: 0300 200 1004

[www.surreycc.gov.uk/fis](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/fis) - you can subscribe free to the FIS e-bulletin "Parents Pages"

### Family HelpLine, Surrey

Tel: 080 800 5678 (freephone)

### NHS Surrey

[www.surreyhealth.nhs.uk](http://www.surreyhealth.nhs.uk)

### Childcare Vouchers & Tax Credits

[www.directgov.uk](http://www.directgov.uk)

**These venues will be holding some activities over the holidays - there may be a charge.**

### Information websites re activities

[www.guildford.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://www.guildford.gov.uk/holidayactivities)

[www.surreycc.gov.uk/eventsforfamilies](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/eventsforfamilies)

[www.surreyfamilygrapevine.co.uk](http://www.surreyfamilygrapevine.co.uk)

- **Guildford Spectrum,**  
Tel: 01483 443322 [www.guildfordspectrum.co.uk](http://www.guildfordspectrum.co.uk)

- **Yvonne Arnaud Theatre**  
Tel: 01483 440000 [www.yvonne-arnaud.co.uk](http://www.yvonne-arnaud.co.uk)

- **The Electric Theatre**  
Tel: 01483 444789

- **Guildford Museum**  
Tel: 01483 444751 [www.guildfordmuseum.co.uk](http://www.guildfordmuseum.co.uk)

## CHILDREN CENTRES

Do contact these Centres about free family activities in the Christmas holidays, and to confirm times and availability.

**Ash Grange** - Ash Grange Primary School,  
Ash Church Road, GU12 6LX Tel: 01252 350225  
[www.ash-grange.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.ash-grange.surrey.sch.uk)

**Boxgrove** - Boxgrove Primary School,  
Boxgrove Lane, GU1 2TD Tel: 01483 540818  
[www.boxgrovechildrenscentre.co.uk](http://www.boxgrovechildrenscentre.co.uk)

**Brookwood**, Brookwood Primary School  
Connaught Road, Woking, GU24 0HF  
Tel: 01483 473315,  
[www.brookwood.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.brookwood.surrey.sch.uk)

**Chilworth**, C of E Infant School,  
Dorking Road, GU4 8NP Tel: 07525 613390

**Guildford Town Site**, York Road, GU14DU  
Tel: 01483 561652  
[www.guildfordchildrenscentre.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.guildfordchildrenscentre.surrey.sch.uk)

**North Guildford Site**, Hazel Ave GU1 1NR  
Tel: 01483 566589  
[www.guildfordchildrenscentre.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.guildfordchildrenscentre.surrey.sch.uk)

**The Spinney, Guildford Grove**  
Southway, GU2 8YD Tel: 01483 510570  
[www.thespinneycc.org.uk](http://www.thespinneycc.org.uk)

**St Paul's**, CofE Infant School, East Ring,  
The Cardinals, Tongham, GU10 1EF  
Tel: 01252 400222 [www.stpaulstongham.com](http://www.stpaulstongham.com)

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