

Family First Fostering Spring Newsletter

Welcome

Foster Carers

DS & ML
LA & AA
GD
ER & CR
SW & LW
RS & TR
MH
SLH

Staff Members

Fraju – SSW
Milu – SSW
Priti – SSW
Paul – Psychotherapist



Ofsted

As you may be aware, we have had our Ofsted inspection in the month of February.

We are pleased to share that the outcome of the inspection is a GOOD.

We want to thank all of you, due to your hard work with Family First Fostering – We hope to keep up the quality work and keep changing children's lives for the better

Reminders

CHARMS

All Foster Carers to use CHARMS for writing reports, uploading documents and signing off Supervisions, and inputting health appointments for the young people. If you do not have access to CHARMS, Please let your SSW or the office know.

Health and Safety Documents

All Foster Carers should have updated Health and Safety documents and these documents need to be sent over to the office or to your SSW. These documents are:

- Valid Medical and DBS
- Home Insurance
- Gas Certificate
- Electric Certificate
- Car insurance and MOT (if applicable)

Anyone aged 18 or over who stays in the family home (including birth children and staying put) need to have a valid DBS check completed by the agency.

Admission Form/Acknowledgement Form

Please ensure that the admission form, acknowledgement form, and the person of the young person is completed within 24 hours of the placement.

Out Of Hours

Should an incident and/or accident occur, if you need any advice outside of office hours (9:00–6:00 PM) or Bank Holiday, **Please call 07852150501** and a member of the Social Work Team will be available to provide you support and advice.

Note: Please do not text or WhatsApp as these are not monitored, calls only

Hot Topics

March
Positive Behaviour
Management



April
Managing Allegations

Upcoming Global Events

Ramadan

28th February to 30th
March 2025

Lent

5th March to 17th April

Eid-UI-Fitr

30th/31st March 2025

Easter

20th April 2025

Foster Carer Buddy

We would like to share with you all, that we are now looking for Foster Carers to buddy up with the our newly approved Foster Carers

Please inform us if you want to go forward with this and do so.

The Fostering Network website provides you with useful information about fostering and guides on how to contact them regarding taxes, and many more aspects of fostering.

To learn more please visit: [https://](https://www.thefosteringnetwork.org.uk/adviceinformation/all-about-fostering)

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For steps on how to contact:

HMRC regarding taxes: <https://www.thefosteringnetwork.org.uk/advice-information/finances/tax-and-national-insurance>.

To explore the website and learn more:

<https://www.thefosteringnetwork.org.uk>



First response training will give you an update on the latest news relating to the health, safety and welfare of children and young people, as well as useful resources, new courses and other special offers and learning solutions for early years, schools and childcare.

Here are few articles that you can read:

<https://www.firstresponsetraining.com/world-childrens-day-building-a-better-world-for-children/>

<https://www.firstresponsetraining.com/young-people-urged-to-choose-respect-this-anti-bullying-week/>

Upcoming Training

March Support Group
24th March 2025

Therapeutic/Reflective Support Group
26th of March 2025

Skills To Foster (3 Days)
11th, 12th, 13th of April

Child Sexual Exploitation
14th of April 2025

CHARMS System and Recordings
17th of April 2025

April Support Group
23rd of April 2025

Therapeutic/Reflective Support Group
30th of April 2025

Theatre: MJ The Musical

As you may be aware, there is a Musical Theatre show coming up this April.

There is 30+ available tickets for this Musical!

Saturday, 19th April, 2025 – 19:30PM

Donations

We have gracefully donated £2000 in total to different Charities.

Please contact your SSW or the office if you wish to make a donation. Family First Fostering will match any donation made.

Eid-ul-Fitr

Eid-ul-Fitr is celebrated by Muslims to mark the end of Ramadan, a month of fasting, prayer, and self-reflection. It's a time of joy and gratitude, where Muslims thank Allah for the strength to complete their fasts.

Embrace this tradition and culture with the young person, by participating in fasting, breaking the fast together as a family and spending time together.

Easter

Easter is celebrated by Christians to honour the resurrection of Jesus Christ, which is believed to have happened three days after his crucifixion. It marks the victory of life over death and symbolizes hope, renewal, and the promise of eternal life.

Embrace the Easter by partaking in different Easter activities and games with your young person, festive meals and learn about Easter.