



We would like to wish everyone a fantastic start to the summer. Hoping your summer includes loads of fun!

All the staff and the team would like to THANK all the Foster carer for doing an amazing job so far!

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 with support and advice.



Family First Fostering now have a license from the home office which allows us to recruit workers from abroad. We are now looking to recruit social workers and foster carers abroad!

There will be financial incentives when a carer gets approved or staff member passes the recruitment process.

For more info, please call the office or speak to your SSW.

Placements

We are currently receiving a lot of complex parent and child placements. If any carers would like to be put themselves forward please let the **PLACEMENT** team know.

Children's Achievements

TM – For participating in sports. Well done!

CJ – for walking on his own. Good Job!

GHA- For doing well with making his own bed. Great Job!

MB- For receiving Star of the week from school. Keep it up!

DO- has made a lot of improvement in settling within the placement and for forming a good relationship with the carer. Well done!

O Siblings – have made a good progress in their academic work and are working hard to reach their target.

Carer's Recognition

MCF and WF – for taking their YP on a boat ride

AM and CD for being helpful and supportive

KT for doing well with her challenging placement

DS and SH for doing well and giving support to their YP

DP and CP for being a good carer with their placement

LG and SG for always staying positive and for taking good care of their children in placement

Welcome

Amy— Social Worker Assistant

Launa—Supervising Social Worker

Sonia—Supervising Social Worker

Georgia—Supervising Social Worker

Aysha – Administrative Apprentice

Isabel—Office Manager

Viktorija—Supervising Social Worker

New Foster Carers

ST, AB&CM, AS&JAS, EF, HZ, FF, DP, ZC & EL, SK&AI,

EG

Back Up Carer

Please ensure that back up carer assessments and a plan is in place before going on holiday without the young people. A minimum of four weeks notice should be given. This allows time for alternative arrangements to be made such as a respite carer or a back up carer assessment to be completed if needed.

Admission Form

Please ensure that admission forms, Acknowledgement forms and photos of the young person is obtained once a new young person comes into placement.

CHARMS

Reminding all Foster Carers to use CHARMS for writing reports, uploading documents and signing off Supervisions. If you do not have access to CHARMS, Please let your SSW or the office know.

HOT TOPIC

July – Safer Care/Smoking

August – Transitions/Education

Sept – Foster Carers Wellbeing/ PDP



**GREAT
ORMOND
STREET
HOSPITAL
CHARITY**

We would like to THANK everyone who contributed to Great Ormond Street Hospital Charity
We have raised :

£2000

Health and Safety

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
- Electrical 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.



Visit a Museum— there are great free museums such as National history museum with many interactive exhibits and activities for children.

Find a Park— Head to local park or forest to get some fresh air, exercise and a free trip out.

Find a Library—you can borrow audio books and children's books to read. Some Libraries even organize a craft activities.

Garden Fun— Make the most of your garden and encourage kids to appreciate Nature by growing and caring for plants.



We are holding our Annual Sports Day! Please come and join us.

Date: Saturday, August 10, 2024

Time: 12:00 – 5:00 PM

Address: Victoria Park

Grove Road

London

E3 5TB

Please note that you will receive a text/call/email confirmation on the morning of the event subject to the weather conditions!

Fostering Network

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>

Upcoming Training Dates

Therapeutic/Reflective Support Group – 17.07.2024

Semi-independence Workshop for YP - 16.08.2024

Life Story Work – 05.09.2024

Understanding Safeguarding and Child Protection – 14.09.2024

Upcoming Celebrations



Kids Eat Free School Holidays 2024

ASDA Café

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required. The offer has been extended until the end of 2024. Asda also provides FREE Ella's baby food pouches for children under 18 months old with any purchase.

Bella Italia

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid between 4-6pm Monday to Thursday

IKEA

Kids can enjoy Kids Pasta with Tomato Sauce and a soft drink for 95p or any other Kids Meal for £1.50 every day from 11am.

Morrisons

Kids eat free all day, every day in Morrisons cafes nationwide, daily with every adult meal over £4.49. This offer includes half terms.

Sainsbury's Cafe

Sainsbury's Cafes offer one child hot meal or lunch bag for £1 with any adult main meal purchased over £5.20. This offer is on every day from 11:30am. Kid's mains include one main, 3 sides a drink and a piece of fruit.

Yo! Sushi

Kids eat free at YO! Sushi from Monday 1st July - Friday 30th August 2024, all day Mondays - Fridays when dining with a full-paying adult (minimum £10 spend).

The REAL Greek

Kids under 12 Eat Free Every Sunday at The Real Greek with every £10.00 spent by an adult.



Blue Light is a scheme that recognizes the hard work and commitment of people carrying out some of the most important jobs in the community. It's open to frontline workers – emergency response, NHS, coastguard, as well as familiar organizations like St John Ambulance and the Red Cross. Now, foster carers are also eligible to apply for a Blue Light card.

There are range of discount from large national retailers to local businesses in a wide range of categories including holidays, cars, days out, fashion, gifts, insurance, phones and much more!

Please speak to your SSW on how to get a BLUE Light Card.