

SCHEME NEWS

Newsletter for volunteers,
families, funders and
friends of Home-Start
Warrington

Summer 2015



Home
Start
Support and friendship
for families

Home-Start Quality Assurance Review

On 28th and 29th April, we had our QA review by Home-Start UK. We are pleased to announce that we scored a superb 99%. Thanks to all involved with the review, from the staff who do an excellent job, our Home-Start families, the Trustees that support and govern us, the superb home visit volunteers who support our referred families, our referrers and not forgetting our funders and supporters, Morgan Foundation, Cheshire Community Foundation, Big Lottery, BBC Children in Need, and Total Steelwork & Fabrication Ltd.



Our latest trained volunteers

On 25th March, 12 training volunteers completed their Volunteer Preparation Course. Pictured with Tracey Dean, Family Support Co-ordinator and one of the course trainers. They are almost all currently working with a family, offering 3 hours support each week. We are training again in January 2016.

Want to know what's involved? Call Steph, for a no obligation chat on 01925 652320/576100.

Recent Volunteer Training

Our Volunteers have recently attended First Aid training, provided via Mandy Roberts, Training and Management Consultancy. The training was well attended, hands on and thought provoking! The volunteers enjoyed the full day.

Recycle for us!

We collect printer cartridges to raise funds. Please consider doing this for us. We can even get some freepost envelopes to you, to post direct. Call us 01925 652320.

Recipes

Do you have any favourite, easy to cook, low budget recipes that you can share with us? We can then promote these with the families that we are working with, with the help of the volunteers that support them. Please email them in at office@homestart-warrington.org.uk.



Mother's Day Event

On Thursday 12th March, we held our Mother's Day event, here at the SMILE centre. The Mums (and Dad's) were treated to a light lunch of sandwiches, cupcakes, scones with jam and cream and a pot of tea. We had a raffle and activities were provided to entertain the children. Great fun was had and the Mum's enjoyed the treat.



Thanks for all who helped at the event - it's very much appreciated!



English Half Marathon 2015

Last year, Nick Bent and Dave Scully raised over £1,000 between them for our charity. If you are running this year, or know of anyone who is, we would be more than happy to talk to them and let them know about us - and what funds could be used for. The event this year starts at Warrington Town Hall, 9am on Sunday 20th September. Call 01925 652320.

Our Facebook Page

Our Facebook page has been changed and we can no longer access our old one! So, please find us at <https://www.facebook.com/HSWarrington> and like our page, to be kept in touch with our work. Please also share with your friends and family.



Donations

Once again, we are very grateful for all funds donated to us and other miscellaneous income.

The Volunteer Expenses donated back in to the scheme since 1st April 2015 - £403.29

Staff travel expenses donated back to the scheme - £12.82

Other donations, since our last Newsletter include:-

Mike Lomax, Total Steelwork & Fabrication Ltd - £500

Penketh Methodist Church - £371

Recycle 4 charity - £6.80

Easy Fundraising - £53.75

Just Giving - £5

Warrington Pensioners Association - £30.00

Many thanks!