

Advisory Group Meeting

10th October 2008

July to September - Coordinators report

Hope everyone had a great summer and managed to get some sort of a break, I hear umbrella sales were up again this year.

The team spent the summer out in the community in partnership with the youth service at the breeze events, the Learning Partnership parenting events, Leeds play network family fun day . The summer offers great opportunity to raise the profile of the service and meet parents and carers face to face, a lot of families who do not engage with services attend the breeze events it is good to be able to talk to these families and offer our support.

A request for involvement was received from

- Head of Service for Education Other Than At School (EOTAS) – Tinshill Pupil Referral Unit, was a bit grim, Parent Partnership Service have established an information library and made the meeting room a source of information for parents, carers and professionals.
- Carol Jordan Director of Integrated Childrens Services – Parent Champion to consult with Behaviour Emotional Social Development Specialist Inclusive Learning Centre (BESD SILC) key stage four parents and carers re information about their child's education
- Barbara Newton Strategic Leader Partnership and Participation – Service to support parents and carers groups to participate in consultation around the development of the Children and young Peoples Plan 2009 to 2011

Choice advise service has had requests to involve translation services to support parents and carers at an information drop in session around the admissions process the Choice Adviser facilitated and organised German, French, African Caribbean and Vietnamese translators to attend.

Service profile was raised at events during refugee week, Lincoln Green has a population of 28 different nationalities the service has support the national refugee net work to turn the community centre into an information centre.

Working in partnership with cluster coordinator for the Temple Newsham , Halton and Osmondthorpe Cluster to produce and information booklet for that area.

Attended the Massive community event organised by Alwoodley , Allerton cluster coordinator, really good informative event well attended from start to finish.

Job Centre Plus have requested information session on exclusions and the impact excluded children have on parents who are job seeking.

Training sessions have been delivered to Newly Qualified Teachers (NQT's), New staff inducted into the Blenheim Centre, Black Minority Ethnic (BME) Governors, newly appointed Educational Psychologists and newly appointed parent mentors to the Visually Impaired Team.

Rebecca Trumble has been appointed the Parenting Unit Manager, Rebecca was the project manager for the PSA's