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Summer fun with a touch of Sparkle at our recent fun day events!

This month Sparkle hosted a double bill of events, supporting our families across the North and South of Gwent with our annual Summer Fun Days! These free events held at Serennu Children's Centre and Tredegar Leisure Centre, brought members of the local community and users of our centres, together for two full days of accessible activities, sports, crafts and games bringing "all the fun of the fair". With activities and stalls by a diverse range of partners and local organisations such as the Gwent Dragons, Blaenau Gwent RAF Cadets, Welsh Scouting, Newport County Football Club, Newport Live, Aneurin Leisure, The National Autistic Society, MediCinema, 02e, Gwent Police, The Welsh Ambulance Service, Treasured Memories and Make A Smile to name but a few. This Sparkle hosted event was supported as part of the Welsh Government's Summer of Fun, alongside donations from Recresco and Amazon Logistics.



Thank YOU!

A big thank you to Play Wales for the donation of activity bags. Children attending the Children's centre for appointments, Assessment Nursery and Sparkle Play Clubs have received a bag.

Play Wales works to raise awareness of children and young people's needs and rights to play and promote good practice at every level of decision making where children might play.



Goodbye Good Luck

It saddens me to say that last month we said goodbye to our lovely Administrator Team Lead Helen Robson. Many of you will know Helen from reception as she has been the face of the centre for over 10 years.

Helen first started as a volunteer, she was then employed by Action for Children to be the centre's receptionist. Helen's role transferred to the NHS in 2019.

We wish Helen all the best in her future and in her new role. Helen has promised to keep in touch with the centre and will continue to raise awareness of the centre and all the good work we deliver.

Sign of the month School



As in: School

Working flat hand (palm back, pointing up) makes vertical inward circle in front of chin. Do not conceal mouth.

Diagram and description from Signalong

Parents & Carers Virtual Workshops Programme—Helping Hands

These interactive group workshops are open to parents and carers of children with additional needs and professionals working in the Children's Centres across Gwent. The workshops will take place online via a video-call

Introduction to Sensory Processing

Wednesday 28th September: 1pm-3pm

Working alongside our Occupational Therapist colleagues we will share information about our 8 senses, how we process this information, tips for each sensory system and helpful psychological processes.

Book by Friday 23rd September

To book a place on these workshops, please email ABB.HelpingHandsTeam@wales.nhs.uk with:

- Name of the workshop, your name, your relationship to the child and your email address.

Spaces are limited for so booking is on a first come, first served basis.

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Welcome to the Team!



Last month we welcomed Sherina Kayago to Caerphilly Children's Centre. Sherina is a band 5 Occupational Therapist and will be based at the centre until summer 2023!



Last month we said goodbye and good luck to Ailsa Hope from the physiotherapy team. Not only has Ailsa waved goodbye to Caerphilly Children's Centre but she has also moved on from Aneurin Bevan University Health Board. We wish Ailsa all the best.



Congratulations to Zoe Duffy who has been acting Team Lead for the Occupational Therapy Team for the last year. Zoe has now been offered this role permanently.

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