



NEWSLETTER

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RE-CREATE UPDATE during the last two months, we welcomed a further two members of staff to our organisation. Debbie Nebe joins us as our Project Administrator, who has vast experience at senior administration level within the political sector, previously working for Glenys Kinnocks MEP. Amy Pritchard joins us as our new Workshop Facilitator, and has spent the past few weeks reorganising and creating new and exciting play workshops for both children and professionals in the play field alike. It is an exciting time for Re-Create as we move forward in new directions; I would like to welcome them both on board.

BIG LOTTERY UPDATE

The BIG Lottery Children's Play Project finally has lift off, with the appointments made for the Play Development Workers, who will be coordinating the project across Cardiff and the Vale.

Aled Evans joins as the Play Development Worker based at Re-Create, for the Cardiff CBC Team and Kath Cooper joins as the Play Development Worker for the Vale CBC and will be based in the Dock Office. Both have extensive play experience across both areas, and will be leading a team of 10 play workers who join us later this month.

This is one of the largest BIG Lottery Play Projects in Wales, and will support play opportunities for children and their communities across the region.



IF YOU HAVE NOT taken advantage of our Re-Create specials offers, now is the time to do so:-
FREE WORKSHOPS to the first 25 groups to book with us, do you know of a school, community group, organisation that would benefit from a free play workshop? **CONTACT US**



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Cardiff and Vale
Play Services Association



FORUM NEWS We have started to map services that support and provide play services across the Vale and continue to support the audit undertaken by Cardiff CBC. We are in the process of contacting all of our members and would be grateful if this information could be cascaded across the network to ensure that we have as many details of those working in the play field as possible. From this information we will be setting up a cross authority play forum, to enable all play providers to share information, discuss issues which are affecting them, share funding news and offer support with grant applications, build a support network and ensuring that collectively we have a strong voice ensuring that play remains a priority agenda for both authorities especially during these difficult financial times.



WE NOW HAVE AN Artist in Residence, situated within our Scrapstore. Vicky Wilson will be visiting us part time throughout the month & will be hands on to work with our visitors & customers.

FUNDING NEWS

There are a number of grants available for groups based within both Cardiff & the Vale. Information regarding

- Cardiff Small Play Grant
- Vale Community Chest
- Vale Kick Start

Will be disseminated across the network, as received.



RE-CREATE IS CURRENTLY undertaking the largest consultation exercises in our history. All members are encouraged to complete the consultation form, it important to us to have your feedback and input, so that we can shape our current services and develop new services that meet your requirements. Information gained from this exercise will be used to form our Three Year Business Plan which is currently being developed in Readiness for our AGM on 21st June 2011.

LOGO & NAMING competition extended its deadline until 20th May & is open to all schools across the region, schools can make multiple applications and the winning class can win FREE workshops, call us for an application pack.

YOU CAN NOW FOLLOW US on Twitter> @recreateplay and Facebook> Re-Create Cardiff & Vale Play Association for even easier access to updates & information.