

RCT CHILDCARE TEAM NEWSLETTER

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HELLO AND WELCOME

TO OUR **THIRD EDITION** OF THE
RCT CHILDCARE TEAM NEWSLETTER.

Welcome to 2022

Our priority for this year is to continue to support you through COVID and help you run and improve your businesses. We'll do this by providing mandatory and CPD training and offering advice on improving your sustainability, governance and quality. Please let us know how we can help you.

Don't forget we currently have grant funding to support you with COVID related expenses. Get in touch for more information.

New member of the team

Natasha is the newest member of our team, starting with us in October 2021. She works closely with Rachael Holley to support all aspects of childcare development, training, and grants.

As an ex-childminder, she leads on our new childminder forum and supporting prospective childminders complete their CIW registration process.

More information on this in the next issue.

Childcare Offer digital system

The new Childcare Offer for Wales national digital service is on its way. This will replace the system that RCT currently uses. Due to launch across Wales in January 2023, you will have the chance to register for the new service in late summer/early autumn. Keep an eye out for further information and details on our training events to support you with the new system.

For the latest information:

www.rctcbc.gov.uk/childcareoffer

Mae croeso i chi gyfathrebu â ni yn y Gymraeg / You are welcome to communicate with us in Welsh.



Remember our closed Facebook page. If you haven't already, join now to get regular updates, training information and signposting to other services that may benefit your business.

Join here...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/childcareteamRCT>
or search for **RCT Childcare Team** in the Facebook search facility.



Training

Our training schedule for January to March is now live.

We still have spaces available on several sessions, including all mandatory training, Positive Attachment Training, Covid Born Babies training and more! If you would like more information on how to book onto one of these sessions please contact the Childcare Team.

Due to increasing instances of non-attendance, we now require at least 48 hours' notice if you are unable to attend. Please inform the Childcare team as soon as possible so that we can offer your place to someone on our waiting list. Failure to do so, may result in being blocked from attending further training sessions for 6 months, so please let us know!



Stop Press!

Keep an eye out for emails about the Flying Start tender process for Welsh medium providers.

For more information, go to <https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk>, using reference **92447**.

Childcare Offer for Wales / FPN education

Applications for April 2022 pre-nursery FPN education places (for children who are 3 years old before 31 March 2022) closed on 11 February. However, if you have any parents who have not applied, ask them to contact School Admissions ASAP to complete a late application form.

For more information, go to:

www.rctcbc.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Childcare Offer applications for children who will be eligible from April 2022 open on **14 March**.

Parents can check their eligibility and apply **www.rctcbc.gov.uk/childcareoffer**.

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