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## Children and Young People's Network

The next meeting of the Children and Young People's Sub Block will be 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009, 10am, at the Ovenden Initiative. **Please note that the meeting 9<sup>th</sup> January is now cancelled.**

For your diaries, further dates in 2009 for the C&YP Sub Block (venues TBC) are as follows

Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup>	March
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup>	May
Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	July
Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	September
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	October
Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup>	December



The next **Children's Network 13-19** meeting is on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2009, 12.30, at Acorn Centre, Todmorden.

**Youth Organisations Network 13-19**, the next meeting is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2009, 12.30, at Barnardos, Elland. Further dates for the Children's and Youth Organisations Networks will follow soon.

The next **Safeguarding Roadshows** are on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009, at Square Chapel in Halifax, and on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2009, at Mixenden Parent Resource Centre. Both Roadshows run from 10am to 2pm. Please email [kala@calderdalecommunityforum.co.uk](mailto:kala@calderdalecommunityforum.co.uk) if you wish to attend either of these events.

The **C&YP Network Joint Commissioning** meeting will take place on the 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2pm, here at the Resource Centre.

## VCS Workforce Development Conference

18<sup>th</sup> March 2009, Shibden Park Café, Halifax

Open to Voluntary and Community Sector organisations, management committee members and private child care providers. The event is free to attend. VCS attendees can claim £40 backfill money. Lunch will be provided, with networking opportunities. Further details to follow soon. For more information, please contact [Kala@calderdalecommunityforum.co.uk](mailto:kala@calderdalecommunityforum.co.uk)

## Mencap Training

Flyers with details of training that Mencap can offer your service are available on our website. The courses offered include Inclusion, Communication, and Adapting Activities, amongst others. Courses can often be combined and tailored to suit your individual requirements. Contact details, for further information and to book, are available on the flyers. [www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/resources.htm](http://www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/resources.htm)

## Opening Doors

The December 08 edition of this monthly eBulletin is available on our website. It contains news, articles on children and young people's services, practice, resources & consultations [www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/newsletters.htm](http://www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/newsletters.htm)

## Futurebuilders

The Future Builders website has information on support to help groups towards tendering, and loans that are available to third sector organisations. [www.futurebuilders-england.org.uk/](http://www.futurebuilders-england.org.uk/)

## Adult Learning Opportunities.

Fancy a new job or a career change? Career Services are available to help. Various courses are available at Horton House, Brighthouse and Todmorden. All courses have their first week FREE with the exception of ICT related courses. You only pay the remaining weeks. Some courses may attract a remission on the fees. Please ask for details.

If you are interested in a course or would like to know more, please call Calderdale Adult Learning on 01422 392820 or email. [Cyps.cal@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:Cyps.cal@calderdale.gov.uk) or visit [www.calderdale.gov.uk](http://www.calderdale.gov.uk) and look up adult learning opportunities.

## YOURFILM 09

Want to make a film? Bebo has teamed up with the Daily Mirror and Mediabox to hunt for inspirational new filmmakers. They're offering 10 lucky winners, a grant, all expenses paid workshop and the chance to be mentored by top industry professionals before seeing their films on TV and online! The winning films will be screened on Bebo and at [Mirror.co.uk](http://Mirror.co.uk) and



broadcast on Charge on Community Channel. To enter visit <http://www.mirror.co.uk/yourfilm09> and write a short paragraph describing your great idea for a documentary about something that matters to you. It's free to enter but you must be aged 13-19 and meet the criteria. The deadline is January 5th, 2009. It's time to see your name in the credits! If you feel that you wouldn't normally get the chance to do something like this then the answer could be yes. For example, if you've been excluded from school, you care for a family member, or you have a disability. Mediabox funds 13-19 year olds in England who fit one or more of certain criteria. For more information on who can enter visit the website mentioned above.

## C & Y P's Network Training Funds

If you, or one of your colleagues, have any training, development or conferences you'd like to attend, please get in touch. The Children and Young People's Network has some training funds which can help with the cost. The fund is available for VCS groups. If you would like more information, please email [kala@calderdalecommunityforum.co.uk](mailto:kala@calderdalecommunityforum.co.uk) or telephone **01422 431095**.

## Workforce Strategy

A briefing note entitled '2020 Children and Young People's Workforce Strategy' is available on our website. The document outlines the vision for the future, and discusses identified challenges. Workforce areas, delivery of the strategy and consultation are also covered. Download the document at [www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/workforce\\_development.htm](http://www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/workforce_development.htm)

## NEET Opportunities

The Young People's Service have issued a newsletter with various opportunities for NEET young people. They range from college places to apprenticeships. Read more by visiting our website [www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/vyon.htm](http://www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/vyon.htm)

## Newsletters

Visit our website to download the latest newsletters from eYPU, Health News, Positive Activities & Youth Justice Update, e-youthaction, the Source, the Research Programme and more. [www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/newsletters.htm](http://www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/newsletters.htm)

## SMOKEFREE HOMES

Do you work with families in Calderdale? If so, you may be interested in the Smokefree Homes Project, which aims to raise awareness of the dangers of passive smoking to families in Calderdale, especially to the health and safety of children, and to support families in making their homes Smokefree.



The Women's Centre, who manages the project, can offer the following:

Deliver awareness raising information sessions to paid workers and volunteers, who in turn can support families to become Smokefree

Promote Smokefree Homes at events throughout Calderdale

Provide Smokefree outreach sessions for families at your community centre or other local venues.

Are you interested in finding out more about Smokefree Homes? Contact Gill Ejsymontt, Smokefree Homes Project Worker by telephone 01422 386540/ 386500 or by email [sfh@calderdalewomen.org.uk](mailto:sfh@calderdalewomen.org.uk)

There is a Smokefree Homes awareness raising information session for all paid workers and volunteers who have direct contact with families in Calderdale on

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2009, 1.00pm to 3.00pm at the Women's Centre in Halifax.

If you would like to book a place please contact Gill.

## The Calderdale MyPlace Group

invites you to an event on Wednesday 21st January 6pm at Square Chapel Centre for the Arts. This is an opportunity to see the plans, listen to a few short presentations about the project and register your feedback. Drinks and canapés provided. Please contact David McQuillan, Square Chapel – 01422 353073 or email [david@squarechapel.co.uk](mailto:david@squarechapel.co.uk)

## Commissioning Toolkit Launched

The National Academy for Parenting Practitioners has announced the launch of the Commissioning Toolkit of Parenting Programmes. The Toolkit is a searchable online database which contains comprehensive descriptions of parenting programmes available for commission. It presents information about programmes – their aims, content, target groups and practitioner requirements and also rates them according to quality and effectiveness, allowing commissioners to make informed choices about how suitable a particular programme may be in meeting the needs of specific parents. Find out more about the Toolkit and how to access this database from our website.

[www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/resources.htm](http://www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk/resources.htm)



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Keep up to date with events, information and news from the network by visiting our website: [www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk](http://www.calderdalenetwork.org.uk)  
We are currently working to develop our website and newsletter. Any thoughts, suggestions, or comments are welcomed.

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