

# GALLEY HILL CHILDREN'S CENTRE!

## WHAT'S ON DURING THE WEEK:

We will be stopping some groups over Xmas and the last sessions are as follows:-

### MONDAY'S

**Health Visitors' baby clinic** at Warners End Community Centre from 10 - 11.30 Please contact your health visitor for opening times over Christmas

**New Beginnings Baby Café** at Warners End Community Centre from 1.30 - 3.00 pm for new parents. Closes 19th December to reopen on 9th Jan

**Strictly Strollers**—exercise with baby in the buggy at Warners End Community Centre from 3.00 - 4.00 pm Closes 12th Dec to reopen on 9th Jan

### WEDNESDAY'S

**Toy Library** here at the Children's Centre from 9—10 am

Weds 14th December and Thursday 15th for returns only as we will be stocktaking – to reopen Wednesday 18th January

**Postnatal Pilates** for mums with babies runs from 5 - 6 pm  
Closes 21st December to reopen on 4th January

**Antenatal Pilates** for expectant mums 6.30 - 7.30 pm, both classes at the Children's Centre Closes 21st December to reopen on 4th January

### THURSDAY'S

**Under 1's** plus crawlers and walkers for new parents and children up to 18 months at Chaulden Community Centre 10 - 11:30 am Closes 15th December to reopen 5th January

**Toy Library** here at the Children's Centre from 2 – 3 pm

Weds 14th December and 15th for returns only as we will be stocktaking – to reopen Wednesday 18th January

### FRIDAY'S

**Baby Rhyme Time** at Gadebridge Youth Club from 2 - 3pm  
Closes 16th December to reopen 9th January

**Messy Play** – Closes 16th December to reopen 6th January

To book call **01442 426753** or **07507 227418**



# GALLEY HILL CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Date for  
the DIARY:  
22nd December!

## MANAGER'S LETTER

We would love to see you all before the holidays start in earnest and have arranged for an entertainer to visit the Centre on **Thursday 22nd December**.

There will be 2 shows, one at 10.30am and one at 11.45am, lasting for around 45 minutes. Tickets are on sale after Thursday 8th December and £1 each (under 1 year free) and it is suitable for children over the age of 2 years. Older siblings are welcome and there is a maximum of 80 tickets per show.

Priority bookings are for those registered with Galley Hill Children's Centre who will receive this newsletter, and tickets will go on sale from Thursday 8th December. Please call in to the Centre or buy at any of our groups. The remaining tickets will go on sale the following Monday 12th.

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## CHRISTMAS OPENING TIMES

Over the Christmas period the Centre will be open as follows:-

- Monday 19th December 9.00 to 3.00 pm
- Tuesday 20th December 9.00 to 3.00 pm
- Wednesday 21st December – closed except for Pilates at 5.00pm and 6.30 pm
- Thursday 22nd December 8.30 to 1.30 pm
- Friday 23rd December - Closed
- Monday 26th December to Monday 2nd January - Closed
- From Tuesday 3rd January 2012 open as usual

Please see the front cover for how this affects our classes.



## YOUR ONE STOP SHOP FOR ADVICE AND INFORMATION FOR UNDER 5'S

### STARTING SCHOOL

Parents can now apply for a reception place for children born between **1st September 2007 and 31st August 2008**. Online applications opened on 14th November and the deadline is 15th January 2012. Places will be allocated and offered in April. If you cannot do an online application please contact the Customer Service Centre at Hertfordshire County Council on 0300 123 4043. If you find it all a bit daunting, pop in and see us.

### WHAT'S ON NEXT YEAR

With a new year fast approaching we are looking at a rolling programme of workshops and courses. We will continue with the favourites – First Aid, Weaning, Sleep routines and potty training – but will also continue with our popular "About Boys Course" and 10 week Family Links Parenting programme. The feedback from parents attending these groups is very good and many families are reporting a more confident approach to parenting and how they feel about themselves.

Our programme for January to March is:-

- About Boys course – for dads. A 4 week course starting on Wednesday 18th January from 7 – 9 pm
- Family Links course – for all parents. A 10 week course starting on Wednesday 29th February from 7-9pm

To register for any of our courses, or to suggest a topic you feel is important to families please contact the office on 01442 426753. Our groups will run as normal.

## CONGRATS!!

Many of you will know that our admin assistant Michelle went on maternity leave last month and we are pleased to report that she had a boy on Thursday 17th November weighing in at 8lb 7oz. We now have cover for her post and your new contact is Janice Brightman.

## EMAIL ADDRESSES

Many of you have given us your email address as we find this is the fastest, easiest (and cheapest) way of contacting you. If you haven't given us your details please email us so that we can add you to our electronic mailing list. We often hear of courses, groups and sales that may interest you and can forward the details in the click of a button!



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