



## Messages from Jane the Manager

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### Hello

As we draw to the end of our academic year it is important we take time to celebrate our achievements together. Working together as a team with parents, children and a range of professionals takes dedication and passion.

I would like to thank the Springboard team for meeting all of these credentials. We are always finding ourselves with the challenges of funding and policy changes BUT in the centre of all of this is the children, your children. Each and every child and family deserves to have the support they need and we will work together to achieve this. We are the TEAM around YOUR child.

From a fundraising point of view we need the same, we need a team AROUND your CENTRE. I completely accept that a majority of families that attend here are supported by a range of charities and therefore our request is not unique BUT please believe that whatever you can do to help is always APPRECIATED and always BENEFICIAL.

Please read our Friends of Springboard page on Facebook and newsletters.

Thank you

### Hello

We welcome to Springboard **Finley, Lucas, Rosie** and **their families**.  
We hope that your Springboard time is beneficial to you all.



### Farewell

♪♪ "It's time to move on, it's time to move on, children are waving, it's time to move on, it's time to move on, it's time to move on, children are waving goodbye" ♪♪

We have many children moving back to their mainstream settings as well as those moving on to school from Springboard at the end of this term.

As staff we have had the privilege of sharing many WOW moments with you all. Some children have been with us since they were tiny and in our Rabbits group, others have joined us as pre-schoolers. Whenever you joined us, we hope at the point of leaving you will feel a benefit from your time with us.

Without a doubt the children leave us with memories and have taught us well.

To **Teliza- May, Thomas, Kenzie, Archie, Jackson, Dexter, Atharv, Luke, Jessica, Fabio, Samuel, Edy, Jacob**, and **Owen** we wish you all the best of everything as they start their new schools. We look forward to hearing all about their next steps.





## Team Development – our learning journey for quality improvement

This term we have had members of staff completing and attending the following development activities.

**Jane** - Keeping Fathers in the Frame conference – this was a regional conference with a global emphasis on the importance of our support to Dads.

**Jo** – Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo) training.

## Summer Holiday Activities –

Throughout our holiday activity period you will be supported by the following members of staff **Jane, Linda** and **Simara** accompanied by Sarah and Emily Butler. Both Sarah and Emily are familiar with Springboard and we have worked with them previously in different ways.

**Welcome to Springboard** sessions are taking place to support new families coming to us in September. These induction sessions are aimed at making the settling in process a successful one.

**Holiday Activity Wednesdays** – We have had a very positive response to these and we hope that the families and children benefit from them greatly. This is our pilot project and we hope that it is the start of a long term plan to supporting children during the holidays.

**Playdates Tuesday 1st , Thursday 3rd, Monday 7th, Friday 11th , Tuesday 15th , Thursday 17th August – all 10-11.30 am**

## Working with others:

### Royal Wootton Bassett Day

We are taking Springboard on the road to meet families at the Children Centre in Royal Wootton Bassett. We have joined up with Deb Skilton and her team to offer a Family Playdate Session as a means for helping families get to know one another in their own local community.

At Springboard we are aware that we have many families in the Royal Wootton Bassett, Cricklade, Purton and Lyneham areas who do not necessarily get to meet one another due to the sessions they attend at Springboard.

We also appreciate that not every family is able to take up a Springboard placement because of the travelling. We hope that this initial session will be that start of creating a more local support network.

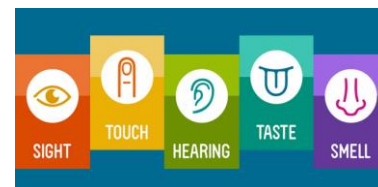
**Date: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 10-11.30am**

**Venue Royal Wootton Bassett Children's Centre, Byron Avenue, Royal Wootton Bassett, SN4 8BA.**

**Please Book a place Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017, call Sandra Stephens on 01793 851224.**

## News from the Playroom Theme for Term 1 is All about Play

Children learn through different play opportunities, this term is will be about their 5 senses, **Sight, Touch, Taste, Hearing** and **Smell** they will have fun with music, lights, food, books, messy play, water and sand.



Please note that the first session back after the summer break is **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2017.**

## Saturdads

If you would like to come and join our Saturday morning fun sessions with your children, the next Saturdads will be on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017.**

Feel free to come along and enjoy the fun, 9.30am – 11.30am. We look forward to seeing you all.

Future dates will be released in new term.

## Parent recommendation

Ceri Oakley has been using Rein and Shine Riding Centre for her older daughter and thought it would also be a lovely experience for her son to participate in.

After discussing her son's needs Ceri discovered how they support children with special educational needs or disabilities. Ceri said "they sound really good and do lots of different stuff depending on what your child wants, they can do riding or just come and pet the horses."



If you are interested in finding out about the riding school there details are below.

Rein and Shine Riding Centre, 1 Buryhill Farm, Braydon, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN5 0AD, Tel 01666 860068, website [www.reinandshine.co.uk](http://www.reinandshine.co.uk)



If you would like to recommend an organisation that have helped your child, and would like us to promote them in our next newsletter please contact the office on 01249 657145 or email [admin@springboardchippenham.co.uk](mailto:admin@springboardchippenham.co.uk)



## Term Dates for 2017/2018

- Term 1 Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September until Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017**
- Term 2 Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October until Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017
- Term 3 Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January until Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018
- Term 4 Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February until Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018
- Term 5 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April until Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018
- Term 6 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June until Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018

North Wiltshire Opportunity Group for Pre School Children with Special Needs  
District Specialist Centre for North Wiltshire  
King's Rise Children's Centre, Lodge Road, Chippenham, Wiltshire,  
SN15 3SY Tel: 01249 657145  
Charity Number: 1010231  
Company Number: 2698820



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## **We REALLY, REALLY, REALLY need you**

**Can you help us by joining our FRIENDS OF SPRINGBOARD GROUP or becoming part of our COMMITTEE?**



Perhaps you have enthusiasm, experience in **being a parent, marketing, legal, education, PR, HR or have been on a committee before**. If so, we the Committee would love to hear from you.

We appreciated joining a committee can be a big commitment, however we are always looking for people to help with our **FRIENDS OF SPRINGBOARD GROUP**, we are a small group of friendly people that meet up occasionally to discuss fundraising events and ideas, and it is a great way to support us as Charity and met new friends.

For further information, please contact **Jane Boulton** or **Anne Farrell** on **01249 657145** or by email [business@springboardchippenham.co.uk](mailto:business@springboardchippenham.co.uk).

## **Special Educational Need (SEN) Support network**

Please remember if we do not have the answer then some of these people will.



[http://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Home\\_Page](http://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Home_Page)  
[http://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Signposting - Support for families - WISA \(Wiltshire Independent Support and Advice\) Service](http://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Signposting_-_Support_for_families_-_WISA_(Wiltshire_Independent_Support_and_Advice)_Service)

## **Children Centres for North Wiltshire, Children Centre changes**

As you will now be aware the children centre provider for the North District is The Rise Trust, for those of you living in Chippenham and surrounding areas, this remains the same as before.



Centres are open in Chippenham, Calne, Cricklade and Wootton Bassett – Activities occur throughout the district taking place in a variety of venues. We have information here so please ask but otherwise call the contact line on **01249 463040**



We are using Facebook more and more for events and updates so please join the group to avoid missing out.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Springboard-Opportunity-group-Chippenham/378555055532652>

Follow us on Twitter too



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**Website** We have a website [www.springboardchippenham.co.uk](http://www.springboardchippenham.co.uk) which we hope will help us raise our profile to families who need us and families alike.

### **Committee Members**

**Mark Lenton-Jinks** (Chair)  
**Natasha Billett** (Treasurer)  
**Rachel Viles, Duncan Carter**  
(Vice Chair), **Paul Sweet**  
(Safeguarding Rep)  
**Rory Sherwood** (Nominated  
SEN Rep)

**Have a wonderful summer break and we will look forward to welcoming you back in September 2017.**