

Volunteers News Nuggets

May 2011

SUMMER PICNIC!

As the days get longer and the sun gets warmer, the Centre is organising a picnic for all staff and volunteers and their family members. The details are as follows:

Friday 12th August from 2pm onwards at Camperdown Park.

For the time being, please mark the date in your diary and we'll get back to you with more details nearer the time.



VOLUNTEERS WEEK 1-7 JUNE



National Volunteers Week is once again almost upon us, and as always this is a good opportunity for us to say thank you for your ongoing volunteering work (not that we need an excuse!).

We would like to invite you along to the Centre on **Monday 6th June at 3pm** for an afternoon tea (including cucumber sarnies). This will be a chance for you to meet up with other volunteers and staff members and have some nice nibbles and a cuppa.

We will also be giving you information as to how **YOU** can get involved in the Centre's new strategic planning groups as we take forward the strategic plan for the next few years. The 5 groups will be as follows and each group will contain a mixture of staff and volunteers:

Increase awareness of the Centres Services / Continue to develop services to meet identified need / Diversify income sources increasing long term sustainability / Maximise staff and volunteer potential to be the best that we can be / Work with partners to influence and implement strategy for carers and disabled people.

TRAINING DATES

Child Protection Awareness
Wednesday 22nd June 2-5pm

Even if you are not volunteering directly with children or young people, please consider whether or not you can attend this training. All of the recent reports show that child protection is a responsibility for *everyone* rather than just a few 'professionals'.

Managing Difficult Behaviour
Thursday 27th October 10-12.30
Lunch will be included

All training sessions will be held at the Centre and are free of charge. Please speak to Tim or indigo if you would like to book a space at any of the events.

