

# Good to Know

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## Working with Families News

News:	For more info:
<p>Up-to-date local information on <b>COVID-19 restrictions</b> can be found on Council's website</p>	<p><a href="#">Sandwell Latest</a></p>
<p>Would you like to become a <b>Changes Parenting Practitioner</b> and support families with children aged 0-19? Book a place and receive high quality resources to support you in helping parents develop skills in managing behaviour, communicating effectively, routines, online safety and much more.</p> <p>Simply log onto the booking page and sign up for the core and common course and then select either one or more of the specialist age ranges. The training is currently <b>free</b>. All resources will be posted beforehand. <b>MORE DATES NOW ADDED</b></p>	<p><a href="https://bookwhen.com/parentsupport">https://bookwhen.com/parentsupport</a></p>
<p><b>Changes Antenatal</b> is being offered as both a three-week virtual course and as a distant-learning programme. If you know anyone who lives in Sandwell and is expecting a baby encourage them to book a place. Check out the sessions for Grandparents-to-be too!</p>	<p><a href="https://bookwhen.com/changes">https://bookwhen.com/changes</a></p>
<p>The Anti Bullying Alliance has developed two new resources for schools tackling <b>Sexual and Sexist Bullying</b>. They include a Guide for Schools and Free Online Training.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/all-about-bullying/sexual-and-sexist-bullying?mc_cid=a18a7eb858&amp;mc_eid=d0e5b47e72">http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/all-about-bullying/sexual-and-sexist-bullying?mc_cid=a18a7eb858&amp;mc_eid=d0e5b47e72</a></p>
<p><b>'Shark' is a film commissioned by the Illegal Money Lending Team.</b> The film is about a student who borrows from an online loan shark to cover his phone bill. "Shark" is an interactive movie so the viewer gets to make choices about what the character does next. It is recommended for ages 14-25. The films running time is around 20-25 minutes, depending upon which choices made.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.perceptiontheatre.com/shark">https://www.perceptiontheatre.com/shark</a></p> <p>(to view the film, open the link in Chrome, Edge or Firefox)</p>
<p><b>My Money Week</b> is 14th-18th June and provides an opportunity to get young people aged 4 – 19 excited and interested in financial matters. The Young Enterprise have a range of new resources, materials and ideas published on their hub to support schools and parent/carers.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.young-enterprise.org.uk/teachers-hub/financial-education/financial-education-programmes/my-money-week/">https://www.young-enterprise.org.uk/teachers-hub/financial-education/financial-education-programmes/my-money-week/</a></p>

<p><b>Sandwell Parents for Disabled Children</b> have a number of activities and events for families and parent/carers advertised on their facebook page. They are also recruiting an <b>Activities Co-ordinator and Activity Support Officer</b>.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.facebook.com">https://www.facebook.com</a> and search sp-dc  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/spdc.org/">https://www.facebook.com/spdc.org/</a></p>
<p>BBC Children in Need are expanding their <b>Emergency Essentials Programme</b>, to include a broader range of basic essentials to support children and young people living with severe poverty across the UK. The fund supports families with children who are living with financial, health and social difficulties, by providing items that meet children's most basic needs.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.familyfundsolutions.co.uk/emergency-essentials/">https://www.familyfundsolutions.co.uk/emergency-essentials/</a></p>
<p><b>Baron Davenport's Charity</b> provides funding to groups and individuals within the West Midlands. Funding is provided for special projects, equipment and running costs. The Charity gives grants to 4 categories including organisations established for the benefit of children and young people under the age of 25.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.barondavenportscharity.org/who-can-apply-grants">https://www.barondavenportscharity.org/who-can-apply-grants</a></p>
<p>Officers from Sandwell have been looking at how the <b>Commonwealth Games</b> will benefit Sandwell specifically and the legacy it will leave for residents and communities. Work is ongoing to review the potential opportunities but if you're interested in finding out more, or contributing to the development of Sandwell's legacy plan then get in touch.</p>	<p>Email: <a href="mailto:SAC_Legacy@sandwell.gov.uk">SAC_Legacy@sandwell.gov.uk</a></p>
<p>Nominations are now open for the <b>Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2022</b>. In the West Midlands there are thousands of great charities and voluntary groups doing fantastic work in their local communities that deserve to be recognised.</p>	<p><a href="https://qavs.culture.gov.uk/">https://qavs.culture.gov.uk/</a></p>
<p>More of Sandwell libraries are now open to customers for the pre-ordered collection of books and computer sessions.</p>	<p>For opening times and further info: <a href="https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/news/article/6001/more_sandwell_libraries_open_for_order_and_collect_and_computer_sessions">https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/news/article/6001/more_sandwell_libraries_open_for_order_and_collect_and_computer_sessions</a></p>
<p>If you would like to promote services or information in this newsletter or share a good news story, please contact the team.</p>	<p>Parent Support Team <a href="mailto:parent_support@sandwell.gov.uk">parent_support@sandwell.gov.uk</a></p>