



February 2010

**Welcome** to our February newsletter and I hope this finds you all thriving and happy. This month's newsletter has a variety of articles which I hope you will find of interest.

Please let us know if there is anything you would like us to promote for your organisation, we are here to help!

### **CAH AGM**

Our AGM will be held at 12.00 pm on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at Allum Lane Community Centre.

**Noah's Ark Playscheme** have 2 vacancies and are looking for a Head Play Leader and Deputy Play Leader, please see attachment for more details.

### **Warming News for Householders in Hertsmere**

The Warm Front Scheme can provide government funded grants of up to £3,500 (this goes up to £6,000 in areas where an oil fired central heating system is installed) are available to home-owners and private tenants receiving certain income or disability related benefits or credits, to help them keep warm and save money on energy bills.

Warm Front provides a package of insulation and heating measures tailored to meet individual needs, including loft and cavity wall insulation, draught proofing, hot water tank jackets and, in some cases, additional heating which could be a new central heating system.

Keeping warm is important, especially in the colder weather, when some people find themselves spending more time at home. These improvements are designed to help householders keep warmer, healthier and more comfortable in their homes.

If your organisation is interested in promoting Warm Front, or require further information contact Claire Moore from Warm Front on 07983 805647 or [claire.moore@eaga.com](mailto:claire.moore@eaga.com)

### **CV Learning**

Our winter/spring training programme is well underway; there are a few places left on the following courses:

#### **Presentation Skills**

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
Develop your professional presentation skills.

#### **Health & Safety for Small Groups**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March  
All the important stuff in one short session! Great for Trustees and busy key workers.

#### **Emergency First Aid**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April  
4 hours basic intro to EFA

Are your team up to date with required training? Do you know how to conduct a needs analysis for your organisation? We can help. Our CV Learning Manager, Terri Bates, a qualified Learning Champion, conducts Needs Analyses for local organisations. Outcomes have included training development plans for whole organisations and for individuals. If you think investing in a Skills Needs Analysis would be a way forward for your organisation – Call Terri on 0208 207 4504 or e-mail [terri@communityactionhertsmere.org](mailto:terri@communityactionhertsmere.org)

### **Join the world's biggest fundraising swim**

I am trying to drum up support for the forthcoming National event - The Swimathon 2010.

We have 13 pools taking part around our county, raising money for Marie Curie Cancer Care. I am trying to get all 852 available slots taken up within Herts.

Participants can take part between 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> April. More info can be found at: [www.swimathon.org](http://www.swimathon.org)  
Please promote this event or even take part as a team!

Many thanks for your support.

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