

Briary Children's Centre

Our centre brings together services for families with young children aged 0 – 5yrs. We aim to provide the following:

- a range of exciting, inviting and interesting play activities for the under 5s and their families
- opportunities for families to meet other families.
- Drop in groups with a special focus including Young Parents, 20-25, Tums to Ones and Breast Feeding Support.
- Health visiting and midwifery clinics.
- Education and training opportunities for parents with crèche provided.
- Toy Library and Play Takeaway
- Parent and child book lending library.
- Advice and support on a range of issues including employment, childcare and housing (through our partners).
- Outreach and home visiting for Herne Bay families.

What we want you to do

- Come along to the sessions and enjoy them.
- Tell us what you think and how we can improve.
- Join our parent forum and help us shape the services.
- But more than *anything* else we want you to feel that...

YOU ARE WELCOME!

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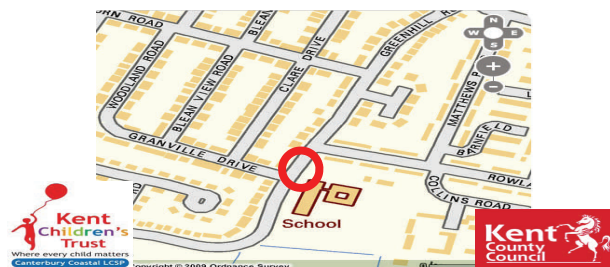
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A Sure Start Children's Centre



Briary Children's Centre in the sun

**ACTIVITY SCHEDULE
FEBRUARY 2012**



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MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<p><u>HEALTH TRAINER</u> 10am - 12 noon Just drop in!</p>	<p><u>MIDWIFE CLINIC</u> Speak to your midwife to book an appointment</p>	<p><u>HERNE BAY CHILDMINDERS</u> 9:30am - 11:30am Come and chat to your local childminders</p>	<p><u>HEALTH VISITORS CLINIC</u> 9:15am - 12 noon No need to book, just drop in!</p>	<p><u>MIDWIFE CLINIC</u> Speak to your midwife to book an appointment</p>	<p>Dad's Group dates for 2012: 18th Feb & 17th March 10am - 12 noon Just drop in</p>
<p><u>PLAY AND STAY</u> 10am - 12 noon</p> <p><u>TOY LIBRARY</u> Come along and take a look at our free Toy Library during the Play & Stay sessions 10:30am-11:00am</p>	<p><u>INCREDIBLE YEARS</u> <u>17th Jan - 24th April</u> 9:30am-11:30am (12 week course) Explores praise, improving family relationships through play, and effective use of time out. Free crèche provided Booking Essential - Please contact reception (term-time only)</p>	<p><u>CAN Group</u> 13:00pm-14:30pm A drop-in for children with additional needs and their parents/carers, Additional needs can mean different things to different people. If you feel you might benefit then please come along! LUNCH PROVIDED</p>	<p><u>Activity Train</u> <u>Little Rhyme Time</u> 0-5 years 12/1/12 - 9/2/12 10:00a.m-11:00a.m Singing, Rhymes & Musical Instruments A chance for your child (and you!) to have fun making music with instruments and singing</p> <p>DROP IN - No need to book Starting 23/2/12-29/3/12 - Little Gardeners 10:00-11:00 DROP IN - No need to book</p>	<p><u>BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT</u> <u>GROUP</u> 10am - 12 noon Snacks, support and friendship for breastfeeding and mixed feeding parents (and parents to be) Get support from breastfeeding peer supporters. (Advice on introducing solids and mixed feeding is also available). Children with additional needs welcome! No need to book, just drop in!</p>	
<p><u>"TWENTY SOMETHINGS"</u> 12:30 pm—2.45 pm A group for mums between 20 and 25 Just drop in, no need to book! LUNCH PROVIDED</p>	<p><u>TUMS to ONES</u> 10:30am-12:00noon For 6 weeks A fun and informative group For new mums & their babies Booking essential - Please contact reception</p>	<p><u>Next dates: 1st Feb 12 & 7th</u> <u>March 12</u> <u>Kent Parent Partnership</u> <u>Service</u> 13:30pm-15:00pm Advice & Support for children with special educational needs and disabilities DROP IN—no need to book</p>	<p><u>BABY MASSAGE</u> 1pm - 2:30pm For 4 weeks Booking essential - Please contact reception</p>	<p><u>COOKERY PROGRAMME</u> <u>Starts 27th Jan</u> 10-12 noon (term-time only) Come & join in at our free 5 week Community cooking club. Create some yummy recipes on a budget & have fun too! Booking essential</p>	
<p><u>HEARING IMPAIRMENT</u> <u>GROUP</u> 12.30 pm—2.30 pm By referral</p>	<p><u>Baby Signtime</u> Starts 10th Jan Songs & Rhymes 13:00-13:45 <u>Little Signtime</u> Starts 10 Jan Songs & Rhymes 14:00-14:45 Booking essential (term-time only)</p>	<p><u>PREPARING FOR BIRTH</u> 18:00 - 20:00 (3 week Course) Booking essential - Please contact reception</p>	<p><u>LITTLE ONES</u> 2pm - 3:30pm For parents and baby (Under 1yr) No need to book, just drop in!</p>	<p><u>PARENT FORUM</u> <u>FRIDAY 3rd FEBRUARY</u> 13:00pm Come and express your ideas and opinions on how we can improve services and activities.</p>	

All groups are free to attend. For more information on any of the above please pick up a flyer at Briary Reception or call 01227 742132. Also, if you would like to register with us, please ask at reception for a registration form.



GROUP GOLDEN RULES

- ♦ **Violence, aggressive behaviour and swearing are not acceptable – anyone who is aggressive will be asked to leave the group and may be asked not to return.**
- ♦ **Smoking is not permitted in any group. The Herne Bay Children's Centres has a no smoking policy in the building and the grounds. Please do not smoke anywhere near the front doors.**
- ♦ **Drugs & alcohol must not be brought to any SureStart events, anyone under the influence of these or any other addictive substances will be asked to leave.**
- ♦ **You are responsible for your children unless they are in the crèche. We ask you to make sure that they are safe and that their behaviour does not spoil other's enjoyment of groups.**
- ♦ **At SureStart it is unacceptable to smack your child. The Herne Bay Children's Centre team are more than happy to support parents/carers in getting your child to co-operate and to suggest alternatives to smacking.**
- ♦ **Discriminatory remarks or behaviour – that is the unfair treatment of others due to their race, culture, age, religion, gender, disability or sexual orientation – is not accepted under any circumstances.**

SUGGESTIONS, COMPLAINTS & COMPLIMENTS

Please let us know what you think of the services we provide and we will do our best to improve things for everyone. You can use the suggestions box at reception at both centres, speak to one of the team or write in our suggestions book. All suggestions, comments and complaints are reviewed at team meetings. Complaints are also reviewed by the team and shared with line management at Kent County Council.

