

Stroud Lead Practitioner Newsletter

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Welcome to the Fifth Extra edition of the Stroud Lead Practitioner newsletter. We hope you all managed to enjoy a lovely sunny Easter weekend in your garden or even on your daily walk. Please continue to stay in touch with your Early Help Coordinators and ask questions if you need support. We are adapting to the needs of the community all the time and there may be ways around supporting families if we all work differently together. We are working from home so please make contact via our mobile numbers rather than the office number.

Best wishes and stay safe,

Claire, Jose and Anita







until women & children are safe

Women's Aid is working with South Eastern and Great Western Railway to offer free train travel to women fleeing domestic abuse and seeking refuge. This can be a life saver for women experiencing eco-

nomic abuse. Applications for tickets can be completed by members of Women's Aid Federation England (WAFE), Welsh Womens Aid (WWA), Scottish Women's Aid (SWA) and Imkaan.

Rail-to-Refuge Scheme

More details can be found on website https://www.womensaid.org.uk/

Healios: ThinkNinja App



We are pleased to announce that as a direct response to the COVID-19 crisis we have made our ThinkNinja app freely available to all 10-18 year olds UKwide for the duration of the crisis.

The App will cover:

- Fears relating to the virus
- Isolation struggles and how to stay connected to family and friends
- Worries about personal health and health of family members
- Coping techniques to use during the crisis
- The new content was created by specialist child psychologists and is now available when chatting to the WiseNinja within the app.

For more information about ThinkNinja and the new COVID-19 content visit:

https://www.healios.org.uk/services/thinkninja1



Keeping Strong Fund

If your family live in Gloucestershire and can't afford to buy something that would make a big difference to keeping themselves physical-

ly and mentally strong over the coming weeks and months, this fund is for you.

Grants range from £50 to £1000 and you can apply as often as you need to.

Ask us for what you need. We've opened up the range of items we are able to fund. So far, people have successfully applied for:

- Household essentials
- Televisions, laptops and tablets
- Phone credit and mobile data top-up
- Access to online courses
- Home exercise equipment
- Arts and craft materials
- Family games and play materials And much more...

More Information found at:

https://www.barnwoodtrust.org/keepingstrong/



We want to reach out remind you that we are still here, even if it is in a less physical sense, and are determined to work through this difficult situation in whatever ways we can and to be available to offer support where it is needed.

We have set up a means of speaking to you through Zoom which we think is the best way we can communicate without being in the same room. All you need to do is download the Zoom App. https://zoom.us/download to enable us to meet with you through video link.

Alternative measures including Facetime, telephone and email contact are available as well as online contact and if you would like to receive support through these means, please email us: info@sunflowerssuicidesupport.org.uk or text message our mobile contact number: 07542 527888.

We would like to remind you of our private support group area on Facebook called Gloucestershire Touched by Suicide

We will be running two groups per month at 7pm. Please see our website for additional resources https://www.sunflowerssuicidesupport.org.uk/Online-Support/



