

# Let's Play Project Newsletter - July 2013



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[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/disabilityinformation](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/disabilityinformation)



## Oxfordshire Support Fund

Oxfordshire Support Fund - emergency funding for families: Oxfordshire County Council introduced the Oxfordshire Support Fund in April 2013. This replaces the community care grants and crisis loan schemes that were part of the Social Fund.

The main aim of the Fund is to help vulnerable people to meet their basic needs, particularly in an emergency, and to support and enable people to remain in or to return to living in the community.

Under the Oxfordshire Support Fund, awards are made as grants and there is no longer any provision of loans. Awards are predominantly in the form of goods and/or services; cash would only be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

There are two types of award; care awards and crisis awards. All awards are discretionary and will only be given where they will have a substantial and immediate effect in resolving or improving an applicant's circumstances

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## Sensory Garden built by Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance

The Let's Play Project would like to say a huge thank you to all of the Lloyds TSB commercial finance team for creating a sensory garden as part of their annual "Give & Gain Day" for members of St. Mary's School and the young people who access the Let's Play Project. The garden has been a great success and has been enjoyed by many of the young people who access after school clubs at Let's Play.

Let's Play would like to say a huge thank you to:

- The Project Team including Hayley Davies, Sarah Nunn, Rachel Bates, Janine Boyd and Angela Griffiths
- John Tolmie of St. Mary's School who assisted the Lloyds team and have helped to maintain the garden along with Debbie Townsend and members of the gardening club.
- Kris Winters and Mick Paris (Sales Dept) of Nicholls Building & Plumbing Merchants, Banbury.
- Stuart Griffiths - Paragon Tool Hire, Buckingham.
- Managers Andy & Chris of Hilliers Garden Centre
- Sarnies of Banbury who made the bacon rolls for the bacon butty sale which enabled the team from Lloyds to buy the materials needed along with funds raised from a raffle sale and supplying prizes and plants.
- To all of the friends and families who came along and spared their time to assist with the all the hard work that went into making the garden.
- To the staff who kept departments running at Lloyds TSB to enable the Sensory Garden be built.



**A big  
thank you  
from  
everyone  
at Let's  
Play**



## Transition Information Network

The Transition Information Network (TIN) have launched their new look website. TIN work to improve the experience of disabled young people's transition to adulthood. Take a look at their new website:

[www.transitioninfonet.org.uk](http://www.transitioninfonet.org.uk)

## Play Days in Oxfordshire (all 11am-3pm)

24th July - People's Park, Banbury

25th July - Edmonds Park, Didcot

31st July - Oxford Road Playing Fields, Eynsham

7th August, - Garth Park, Launton Road, Bicester

28th August - Dalton Barracks, Sports Field, Shippon

Date TBC - Hill End Centre, Eynsham road, Farmoor, Oxford