

Support families in crisis this Christmas

Thank you for your continuing support of our work helping children and families with practical and emotional support through what has been the most extraordinary year. Covid-19 has affected every one of us in our personal, working, and spiritual lives, and in this Christmas edition of the newsletter, I wanted to share some of the ways our magnificent staff has continued to work flexibly and imaginatively to maintain and develop services to serve those who need support over what we now know will be a sustained period of recovery.



As we continue through the winter months we will be further tested not only by the shorter darker days and the associated challenges for some of our most vulnerable families but also in responding quickly and effectively to the changing restrictions and national guidance. I wanted to highlight our partnership with the Youth Offending Service in Lambeth in one of our featured stories below. This is another example of how through our support for siblings and parents we are creating the opportunity for change.

I am also enormously grateful to the many churches who have supported our <u>Families In</u> <u>Crisis appeal</u> and commend the <u>Christmas Raffle</u> organised by St Mary Magdalene Wandsworth Common. We are very grateful to be the benefiting charity for a third year.

On behalf of all the staff and trustees, I wish you a peaceful Christmas and good health in 2021.

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Anna Khan, Welcare CEO

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OUR LATEST NEWS



Adapting to change in East Surrey

East Surrey playworker Hina has adapted her usual group programmes into 1:1 sessions.



How Welcare helped me

We interview a mother who attended our online Strengthening Families, Strengthening Communities course this autumn.



Working to prevent the cycle of youth crime

Our work with Lambeth Children, Youth & Family Services, and Lambeth Youth Offending Service.

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