

CREATEBOLTON

PROJECT COCOON

V.I.P!

Dear Parents

Our School is very proud to be able to work in Partnership with the highly skilled and talented staff of CreateBolton.

We are able to do this through a successful Awards for All Lottery Grant application; which the PTA applied for and has now been approved!

Thanks to this grant we are able to access 3 x 10 week Cocoon Projects! This is one per term from now to December.

The Cocoon **V.I.P** Project is designed to be flexible and age-appropriate in approach and delivery, to meet the needs of the children taking part.

The overarching aims of **Value, Identity, Purpose**, promote children's self-esteem, enable children to develop emotional resilience and strategies for coping with a wide range of situations they may meet, and-or-find challenging. These include friendship problems, peer pressure, risk taking, how to recognise their own feelings and coping with them. Team building, respect and care for others will be key aspects of this project.

Art, discussion and drama will be used to work towards these aims in weekly sessions and visits to the Create Art Studio.

Ann Lowton, a founder member of Create Bolton will be leading the sessions. She has wide experience of working with children of different ages, cultures, and life experiences. Ann works with school staff developing a programme specifically tailored to the particular aims and outcomes for each group. All Create staff are DBS checked and experienced in working with children and young adults.

The Art work completed during the project will form a permanent display feature in school to promote the project aims and continue to foster emotional well-being for all children.

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Y5



Your child, is part of our **first Cocoon Group!**

Y5 are lucky to be the first group!

Sessions will take place each Wednesday (starting 25th January) from 12.30-1.30 - with a playtime session afterwards.

There will be 2 afternoon sessions at Create Art Studios:

Wednesday 8th February , 29th March.

Plus an extra visit – destination to be confirmed soon.

This is a very exciting opportunity with long term benefits for each child. We are very fortunate to have the support of our PTA in accessing the funding through the Awards for All Lottery Grant scheme. Without this we would not be able to go ahead the project. We would like to say a huge Thank You to our PTA committee for applying for the Grant and all it will mean to our children and School.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this project Mrs Annette and myself will be available in school from 5.30-6pm next Tuesday 24th January.

Best Wishes

Mrs L J Carter-Clavell

I give permission for my child _____ to visit the Create Art Studios as part of the Cocoon Project. Signed _____