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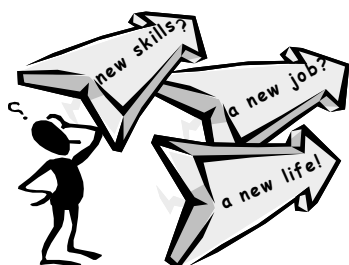
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Welcome to our newsletter for learners. We would like to hear about your good news stories so contact [info@choicesnetwork.co.uk](mailto:info@choicesnetwork.co.uk) or ring 01926 831490

## Childcare Taster Session

Following on from the success of the construction taster day, CHOICES is offering you the chance to come and find out about careers in childcare. The session is taking place on Wednesday 14 March, from 9.30 to 11.30am at Leamington Children's Centre, Sydenham Primary School, Calder Walk Leamington Spa. There will be the chance to meet people already working in childcare and find out about their experiences, as well as ideas for activities and information to take away. A free crèche is also being provided. For more information, or to book a place ring Vicki on 01926 831490 or email [vicki@choicesnetwork.co.uk](mailto:vicki@choicesnetwork.co.uk).



## CONSTRUCTION TASTER DAY

On Saturday 11 November last year, CHOICES ran a taster day for anyone interested in working in the construction industry. We went over to the Opportunities Centre in Rugby and each of us spent the day building a brick wall and plastering a huge sheet of plasterboard! It was a very tiring (and messy!) day but great fun and the learners who came thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Our tutor for the day, Paul, was very patient and encouraging and even had us competing (boys v girls) to see who could plaster a wall the best! (We girls won by the way!!)



Group photo with some of the walls we built!

## CHOICES CHAMPIONS

The Volunteer Scheme (CHOICES Champions), is starting to take off. We currently have one volunteer already signed up and a potential volunteer to meet very soon. However, we are looking for more volunteers as we believe that it is important for our organisation members to know that they have help in recruiting and signing up or signposting learners. This is a great opportunity for anyone who wants to learn more about being a CHOICES CHAMPION. If you are interested, please contact Vicki Jones on 01926 831490 or email her at [vicki@choicesnetwork.co.uk](mailto:vicki@choicesnetwork.co.uk). We look forward to hearing from you all very soon.



## Member Organisations

**This is the current list of CHOICES member organisations:**

**Abilitynet:** Alex Barker 0800 269545

**Adult & Community Learning Service Warwick District:** Yvonne Walkey 01926 731227

**Adult and Community Learning Service South Warwickshire:** Julie Wakefield 01789 413608

**African Caribbean Project:** Shaki McFarland 01926 313200

**Bath Place Community Venture:** Melissa Rood/Pinky Sidhu 01926 338421

**Brunswick Healthy Living Centre:** Receptionist: 01926 422123

**Central Libraries:** Anne Thomas 01926 742721

**Connexions:** Sam Morris 01926 468950

**Connexions – South Warwickshire:** Christine Latham 01527 850168

**Coventry & Warwickshire Guidance:** Caroline Davies 01926 468950

**ETW:** Nim Devi 01926 889944

**Graham Adams Centre (Southam):** Pam McConnell 01926 811519

**Hub @ Blackwell:** Nikki Coupland 01608 682928

**Leamington Children's Centre:** Manjit Kaur Evans 01926 422499

**The Parenting Project:** Debbie James 01789 266624

**Pitman Training – Coventry:** Sanjay Patel 02476 226969

**Princes Trust Team:** Laura Knox 07740 419334

**Progress 2 Work:** John Walton 01926 885000

**Racing Club Warwick:** Jim Wright 01926 493622

**Rathbone:** Lesley Martin 02476 526504/550736

**SYDNI Centre:** Annie McAteer 01926 422071

**The GAP:** Jane Dobie 01926 494200

**Warwick Day Services:** Suzanne Hotten 01926 491200

**Warwickshire College Learning Partnership:** Sheila Grainger 01926 470214

**Warwickshire College Student Services:** Bev Silverwood 01926 319086

**Warwickshire GTA:** Carol Duckham 01926 428490

**Young Housing Project:** Kate Cliffe 01926 883179

For more information: [www.choicesnetwork.co.uk](http://www.choicesnetwork.co.uk)

### CHOICES Website Relaunch

Adrian, our development worker for Rugby and Marcie have spent the last couple of months re-vamping the website and sorting out the many technical hitches that came their way. Finally the website was ready and went live on 18 January 2007. You can have a look at the website at

[www.choicesnetwork.co.uk](http://www.choicesnetwork.co.uk).

Any ideas or comments would be welcome.