All donations help us develop our services, maintain high standards and invest in people, families and the local community.

On the 21st April 2017 local lad “Wobbly” Bob Bell and Rachael Wilson took on the Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge to test themselves and raise funds for Parents In Need of Support.

Together they raised £475. Huge thanks to them both and all who sponsored them.

Provincial Lodge of Freemasons
We would also like to thank the Provincial Lodge of Freemasons for their support and kind donation of £1000.

This donation will allow us to further develop course materials and learning opportunities for the local community. We are developing a range of creative, technical and business courses that are designed to allow learners to grow to their full potential.

Hartlepool Business Forum Awards 2017
PINS were honoured to be chosen as one of the sponsored Hartlepool charities at the Hartlepool Business Forum Awards evening held at the Borough Hall in May. A great evening was had by all especially seeing so many local business being recognised for the work they do.

Keep up to date with news and events by following and liking us on Facebook & Twitter.

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Parents In Need Of Support receives Big Lottery funding.

Parents In Need Of Support are celebrating after being awarded a Big Lottery Reaching Communities grant of £220,743 for their Extended Recovery Project.

We will continue to provide our well established support, advice and information service, but will, over the next 3 years be developing a ‘one point of contact’ service to help those who have been long term carers to make positive changes and re-build their lives.

Kay Barron, Manager at Parents In Need Of Support, is thrilled the charity has been awarded the funding:

“This funding will make a significant difference to the families who we work with. Our aim is to develop partnership working with a range of agencies to help parents/carers access services under one roof.”

Thank You to the Big Lottery Fund and all who play making this grant possible.
Welcome to our Summer 2017 Newsletter

We have had a fantastic start to 2017, funding secured, new activities and training being developed, to which all staff and volunteers have worked exceptionally hard to bring about. However we must not forget the Trustees who guide us and play a major role in PINS success.

In this newsletter we would like to thank our Chair Mr Les Lawson, who for the past 19 years has devoted so much of his time, expertise and dedication to the success of PINS. His support to staff has been invaluable, without him as ‘the backbone’ of the organisation we believe we would not be where we are today.

Kay Barron - Manager

The PINS Personal Development Project (PPDP)

PPDP is building a growing catalogue of IT courses. We are developing courses based around the Microsoft Office suite; learners will be guided through the uses of spreadsheets (Excel), word processing (Word) or databases (Access) developing their fundamental skills. We are also developing Web based scripting and programming courses for those who want to develop a more technical understanding of the Internet or programming.

For those who have a creative flair or would like a new hobby or simply gain an understanding of 3D computer animation. Learners will be guided through the development of a simple animation from initial idea through development to creation of a short animated piece.

For more information about courses and dates please get in touch with colin@parentsinneedofsupport.co.uk

Craft and Art Group Update

Over the past few months the PINS art & craft group have been working together, coming up with project ideas that are fun for all. We have looked at current trends & found fairy doors to be popular. We are working on producing our own individual hand sculpted fairy doors, which we have taken moulds of so we can reproduce. This has allowed the group to experiment with new materials and learn new skills when using clay. The reproduced doors can then be painted and customised so all are unique in decoration.

We have also been working on making Disney & emoji pin badges each one individually handmade and designed by the members of the group.

For more information on how to join the group please get in touch.

PINS Mission Statement

"To relieve, for the benefit of the public, parents & carers in Hartlepool, whose family members are involved with, or at risk of, drug/alcohol misuse through the provision of support, advice and information"

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