

Funding and Information News – September 2011

Fundraising Made Easy and Face Painting OCN Level 2 Courses

Karen Routledge Ltd & Creative and Relevant Learning are offering you the opportunity to take part in our accredited level 2 courses. UK Wide venues and dates are available. The courses can be delivered as an in-house/organisation inset course. For information go to <http://www.karenroutledge.co.uk/forthcomingtraining.html>

Lifelong Learning Accounts

A Lifelong Learning Account gives you greater flexibility and choice in developing your skills and working life and can help fund courses for staff in schools and community venues. For further details go to <https://nextstep.direct.gov.uk/LifeLongLearningAccount/Pages/default.aspx>

Quality in Study Support and Extended Services

Karen at KRL/CRL is now a professional partner with Canterbury Christchurch University for the delivery of training and Critical Friendship support in connection with the Quality in Study Support and Extended Services (QISS). QISS has a national reputation for excellence in both the application of knowledge and creating practical solutions for education providers in the areas of Study Support, Extended Services, professional development and learning activities outside normal lesson time. QISS provides a number of tools for quality development including nationally recognised quality assurance marks for Study Support and Extended Service provision and provides a range of continuous professional development opportunities. For further information go to <http://www.canterbury.ac.uk/education/quality-in-study-support/> or contact Karen on karen@karenroutledge.co.uk

Saving Money Through Your School's Overheads

Auditel is a national network of over 200 professional consultants specialising in Cost and Purchase management consultancy. Over 160 schools have been helped to reduce their costs, from phones and copier contracts to office consumables and cleaning. Schools can even have their energy bills checked and be helped to introduce energy saving measures to cut the amount of energy used during the course of the day.

As schools spend the majority of their costs on personnel they lack the time and knowledge to look for efficiencies and savings in minor expenses. Schools are different sizes and no two school sites are the same, so it's difficult to compare like for like and swap intelligence across school business manager networks. Uniquely, Auditel offers a no savings/no fee service and will take on the role of negotiating with a particular school's current suppliers to get out of expensive fixed contracts and either reduce the contracts or search out cheaper alternatives.

Auditel can often help schools make dramatic initial savings but the organisation aims to be available to provide ongoing and long term support to schools, rather than cherry picking quick wins. The aim is to provide ongoing efficiencies through regular scrutinising a school's spending to secure the very best deals and services possible.

For more information about how Auditel's procurement specialists are working with schools, contact Karen Routledge on 0191 4154090, 07745291718 or karen@karenroutledge.co.uk

Family Learning Festival 15-30 October 2011

National Family Learning Festival is the biggest annual celebration of family learning in the UK. Every October organisations across the country put on thousands of activities that bring families together for fun, informal learning. This year the theme will be Starting New Adventures Together. They provide regional advice and guidance to organise events, as well as free PR, online and printed resources. It's free to register and to access their online resources. For further information go to <http://www.campaign-for-learning.org.uk/cfl/flf/index.asp>

Youth Music Launches New Funding Model

The Youth Music Programme is all set to launch in November 2011 following the publication of the National Plan for Music Education. The programme will focus on giving children and young people, especially those in challenging circumstances, access to high quality music provision. For more information log on to www.youthmusic.org.uk/musicispower/blog/1902.html



Funding Grants!

The Dulverton Trust is an independent grant-making charity that supports UK registered charities and organisations with charitable status.

The Trust supports a wide range of activities in the following categories:

- Youth Opportunities
- General Welfare
- Conservation
- Preservation

Go to <http://www.dulverton.org/index.htm> for further information.

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