



It's Volunteer Week this week and what a sunny week to celebrate! Thank you so much for all that you do when volunteering for HSSW. From 1-2-1 volunteers to Group volunteers, Drivers to Trustees, everything you do is making a huge difference. Thank you!

We are currently supporting...

...27 families with 1-2-1 support,

...25 families in the Bump Start Programme,

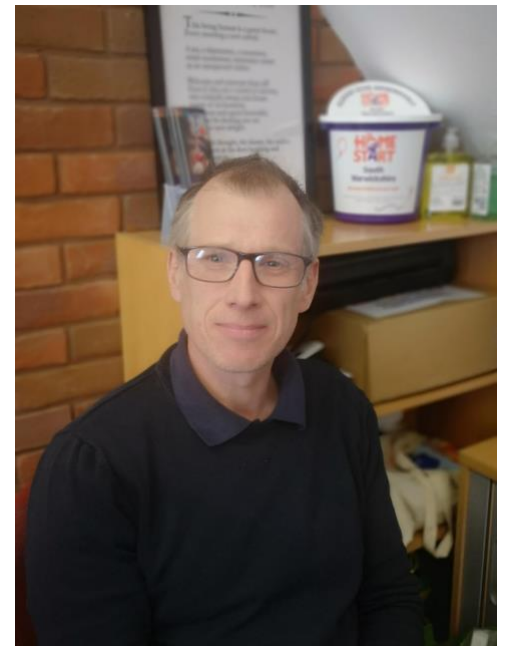
...19 families with counselling,

...6 families with SALT.

We have 2 families on our waiting list and will be reopening our doors this month.

Goodbye Ted

It is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Ted this August. Ted joined us last January as our Operations Manager and has helped guide the charity during this busy phase of growth and development. He will be sorely missed, but we still have him for a couple of months! He will write his goodbyes in an upcoming newsletter, but wanted to let you all know now. He will also be at our big group meet-up in July, to say goodbye in person.



I know we will miss him at the office, and we would like to thank him for all he has done for the whole team, and for numerous families we support. When he isn't writing funding applications, managing us or networking with others, he can often be seen donning cap and gloves, clearing out gardens and putting up shelves.

On behalf of everyone, thank you Ted and we wish you all the best in your new endeavors.



Don't forget to keep updated on upcoming events and family support information, and get access to training materials and all the forms you may need whilst volunteering, on our dedicated volunteer pages of the website:

www.homestartsouthwarwickshire.org.uk/volunteerresources

Welcome to our newest volunteers!

Last month we welcomed many new volunteers to the team. We would like to thank Alison, Ann, Olga, Fran, Amanda, Mel and Emma for completing the prep course and for becoming our latest co-hort of 1-2-1 Family Support Volunteers!

Recently, we have also welcomed Toni, Diane, Michelle and Hannah who are going to be Group Volunteers, supporting at our ever growing perinatal, stay and play and targeted support groups.

Finally, we would like to welcome our founder, Marie (yes, she's back!), and Larry onto our board of Trustees, to help guide and support the organisation.

Thank you to all of you for giving up your time and energy to help us and the families that we support. We couldn't do it without you!



Small group meet-ups

Last month, we were pleased to see some of our 1-2-1 volunteers at their Coordinator small group meet-ups. We hope you were able to get some tips and advice from each other and share your stories of support as well. It is always lovely to see volunteers getting to know each other and get some advice from others in the same role. The next round of small group sessions will be in September/October, and we have our large group meet-up in July (read on for more details). We hope to see lots of you there!

“Home Start has been amazing, I had a lovely and amazing volunteer who couldn’t do enough for me, she has changed my life and made me a better person in myself, as in more confident and a lot more independent. Absolutely amazing and thank you so much for everything you’ve done for me.”

A quote from a HSSW mum.

HSSW volunteers can make such a difference to a family’s life.

Thank you for all you do!



Group volunteers needed!

Lighthorne Heath Stay and Play – Wednesdays from 14th June – 12th July 9.30am – 12.30pm

Our flagship Stay and Play group is going from strength to strength and we need some help to manage its growing numbers. If you would be able to come along to any of the dates above to help us with setting up, making drinks, speaking to families, helping with crafts and activities and tidying up, please contact Kate.

Bump Start groups

We are growing our perinatal group service and are looking for volunteers to help at our groups in Leamington, Warwick and Stratford. Dates and times are to be confirmed, but if you would like to find out more about how you could help expectant and new parents with their babies, please contact Sarah.

Heathcote Coffee and Chat – Tuesdays 1.15pm – 2.30pm, term time only

This small and intimate group is quiet and informal and would benefit from a volunteer or two who could take it in turns to welcome and chat with parents over a drink. After some time with Gemma, the ideal volunteers would be able to take the lead with this group, with Gemma available for support and occasional drop-ins. If you would like to find out more, please contact Gemma.



As a charity reliant on the generosity of funders and donators, we are always looking for ways of engaging the community in fundraising for us.

We would like to put together a fundraising committee who could help to promote us to our communities and organise fundraising events for us.

If you would like to be part of this or know someone who would, please contact Jemma for more details.



Freedom Programme update

Our latest Freedom Programme group has now come to an end. We have had some good feedback from the Mums who have attended and look forward to providing this invaluable service for more Mums next term.

Last month we started a group for volunteers who have experienced domestic abuse. If you would like to attend this group, please contact Sarah.

Big Summer Play Date

This month we are launching our second Big Summer Play Date – a chance for people to come together doing something they love to raise money for Home Start South Warwickshire.

So, whether you are a keen knitter, or like to go on long dog walks, or if you just enjoy meeting with friends over coffee and cake, why not organise your own Big Summer Play Date to help us raise vital funds to keep supporting families in South Warwickshire.

Get in touch with Jemma if you have any questions or want to know how to donate the money you raise, or visit the website.

This June, Home-Start South Warwickshire are asking you to organise your own

BIG SUMMER PLAY DATE

June 12th-18th 2023

You can help us change lives

We support parents through their most challenging times, to make sure no child's future is limited.

Head to our website for some fantastic fundraising ideas.

homestartsouthwarwickshire.org.uk/playdate

HOME START
South Warwickshire

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HSSW
Summer
Volunteer
meet-up

All volunteers are invited to our
summer social for lunch and talk
from REFUGE.

Date: Wednesday 12th July
Time: 12pm - 2pm
Venue: St Peter's Church Centre,
Wellesbourne, CV35 9LS

RSVP OFFICE@HOMESTARTSOUTHWARWICKSHIRE.ORG.UK




Contact us

Home Start South Warwickshire
St Peter's Church Centre, Church St, Wellesbourne, Warwick, CV35 9LS

Your Family Support Coordinator will be able to help you with questions or advice about your HS family.
For any other questions, please see below:

Staff member and job role	Email and phone number	For questions about...	Working days
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