

# Welcome to the latest edition of Crackerjack Training News November 2020



## 2020 CHRISTMAS APPEAL - GIVING TREE



### What is Giving Tree?

#### THE FUN & HAPPINESS CHARITY

KidsOut's Giving Tree initiative invites firms to 'Ditch Secret Santa' and buy toys for children in local refuge homes instead.

Many of the recipients are children who have escaped domestic violence, being forced to flee their homes quickly and leave all possessions behind.

Without Giving Tree, these children may not otherwise receive a gift at Christmas.

Learners/Staff can purchase a toy/gift for a disadvantaged child escaping domestic violence in a refuge this Christmas!

They choose a gift tag, which will have a child's name, age and requested gift written on.

After purchasing the suggested present everyone brings the gifts in to college - unwrapped for Health and Safety reasons.

Gifts will be taken to a drop off centre and then be distributed by the charity.



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Coffee Morning 21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> September  
2020

We may not have been able to hold our usual Coffee Morning this year but those of us who were in the building still managed to eat cake and have a cuppa to raise some funds for this very worthy cause!!

Funds raised - £133.25

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## **REWIND UK.**

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020 we held a very successful workshop on De-Radicalisation. This was attended by all of our learners either from the classroom or Zoom.

REWIND is a project with over 30 years experience in the fields of Anti- Racism, Anti - Extremism and the Prevent agenda including De-Radicalisation.

They are widely recognised as a Leader in this work both Nationally and Internationally.

From the feedback we received from our learners, the course was very much appreciated with people feeling that the PREVENT strategy had been explained clearly. Everyone enjoyed the instructor Dave's style of presenting information alongside many anecdotal stories. Learners felt that the course was detailed but easy to understand and Dave was very willing to answer all questions asked.

**Rewinduk**  
CHALLENGING RACISM AND EXTREMISM IN ALL FORMS

***Checkout the virtual tour of the Crackerjack Training building on our website!!***

## PRACTICAL LESSONS FOR OUR LEARNERS



Our Traineeship learners have been getting some 'hands on' experience in preparation for placement, hopefully in the new year. Everyone took part in nappy changing , bottle making and feeding plus reading stories. The real thing may be slightly louder!!



Playdough making for our Study Programme learners.

Not quite as messy as the real thing!!

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Due to Covid restrictions we were unable to have our usual Graduation celebration ceremony this year.

We still wish to acknowledge all of our young people's achievements so learners will be receiving acknowledgement of successful completion of their qualifications through the post.

Last year's academic groups were -

Study Programme Level 1

Study Programme Level 2 ( 3 groups )

Study Programme Level 3

One member from each of our groups will also be awarded

**Student of the Year.**



## COVID SAFETY MEASURES

Numerous measures have been put in place at Crackerjack Training to maintain the safety of our learners, staff and visitors.

All floor surfaces have been marked with 2 metre distance strips.

Face masks/coverings are compulsory when travelling around the building.

There are restrictions on the number of people allowed in the building at any one time leading to many of our lessons being on Zoom.

Sanitizing stations are situated in every classroom and throughout the building.

*Stay safe everyone !!*

## WELCOME TO NEW STAFF

Crackerjack Training are very pleased to welcome two new members of staff to the team.

- Jane Smith - Tutor and Assessor



- Amber Morgan - Administrator

We wish them all the very best for their future at Crackerjack Training.



