

## Silloth Children's Centre Progress



As a regular reader of the Buzz you probably live in the Silloth area and you may have noticed the building being constructed adjacent to the Primary school.

This is to be a North Allerdale Children's Centre and will be known as 'Silloth Children's Centre'. With the Children's services being provided by Barnardos, who were successful with a major bid to provide these services in Allerdale from the 1st April this year. Other areas that were successful in the bid were Carlisle and Eden.

There will be other children's centres in the area at Aspatria and Wigton, providing information and opportunities for families in the towns as well as in the surrounding rural areas.

We have produced a questionnaire to find out which services will be of interest to parents, listed are the following:

- Information on: Adult health and lifestyles
  - Baby and child health
  - Baby and childhood behavioural development;
  - Counselling
  - Courses for parents
  - Parents wanting to return to work
  - Becoming a volunteer then
- Support for:
- Volunteers
  - Breast-feeding,
  - Antenatal and post natal times

- Families.
- Activities like:
- Play sessions
- Toy Library
- Family Fun Days.
- Parent groups

These questionnaires are kindly being distributed throughout the schools: Silloth Primary school, the surrounding village schools and Baby/Toddler groups. If you would like to complete one please contact 016973 71741 and we will send one to you directly.

We will be working in partnership with: Silloth Community School, where some of the courses will be accommodated, Jobcentre Plus, to advise parents of any job opportunities. Also Health Visitors/Workers are part of our plan, with other services still to be arranged.

The work was supposed to be complete by mid April but unfortunately we have hit a problem, the electricity supply for the new Centre needs a new cable, as it is also used by both the Junior and Senior schools. The supply needs to be switched off for at least two weeks to do the necessary replacement work. Due to prior commitments of the schools, this will not be possible until the summer holidays. We are really disappointed about this delay but are hoping to run some activities using other venues until the building is completed.

One date to look out for is the 'Walk in the Woods' taking place on the 21st May.

Hannah Davison, is the Local Service Coordinator who is responsible for Silloth and Aspatria, her contact details are 016973 71741 at the George Moore Estate, Fletchertown. Alternatively you can e-mail her on Hannah.davison@barnardos.org.uk.

If you would like to complete a questionnaire or would like any further information please do not hesitate to call 016973 71741.

## Headstone Inspections

Allerdale Borough Council would like to advise members of the public that there are ongoing headstone inspections in the Council's cemeteries.

Cemetery visitors are advised that any headstone found to be dangerous will immediately be laid on the ground to make it safe.

Memorials that have been laid down must not be re-erected until the Council has given permission for this work to take place, which should be carried out by an approved memorial mason.

The Council has responsibility for eight cemeteries throughout the borough. Robert Deacon, Allerdale Borough Council's Bereavement Services Officer, said: "The checks are part of the Council's regular programme of

cemetery inspections. While the Council sympathises with the relatives of loved ones whose headstones are laid down and appreciates the sensitivity of the issue, the safety of visitors to the cemetery has to take priority. There have been incidents elsewhere in Britain where children have been killed and adults seriously injured due to unstable headstones."

Information signs are permanently displayed in the borough's cemeteries explaining what is happening and why, and who to contact for more details on what to do next.

Cemetery visitors who find that the headstone of their loved one has been laid down should contact Allerdale Borough Council's Bereavement Services department on 01900 702620.

Shopping Spree Bees  
by  
Annabelle Brown  
from  
Holme St. Cuthbert School

The Three Bees  
by  
Darci Slack  
from  
Silloth Primary School



## Over 55's Coffee & Chat

New for over 55's is an opportunity for a coffee and chat at Past and Present, Allonby.

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## Abbeytown Bowling Club

Members of Ireby Bowling Club were visitors to Abbeytown Assembly Rooms on a cold night but fortunately the heating was working and everyone was warm and comfortable.

Malcolm Temple welcomed the visitors and explained the format for the evening. Four games were played with Elsie Foster, Brian Richards, John Wood and Malcolm Temple having an excellent start winning their game 11 to 1. This gave Abbeytown a good lead into the second half.

A delicious supper was enjoyed and the lucky raffle winners were Robert Lightfoot, Donald Foster, Audrey Harrison, Gladys Temple, Brian Richards and Robin Hurst from Abbeytown, Gladys Strickland and Tim Holborn from Ireby.

The games after supper were very close but Ireby were just able to catch up so Abbeytown were winners on the night ending winners at 41 to 33.

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