# **FOSTERING**NEWSLETTER







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Welcome to September's issue of the 'Thinking about Fostering' newsletter. After a short break, we are back!

We've been hard at work over the summer and have had some exciting things happen within the service to the benefit of our current foster carers and those interested in learning more about fostering with us.

We also launched an urgent appeal for a young child in our care who is in desperate need of a family to care for him as he navigates through life with a host of complex needs. Could you help?

With best wishes,

Denise



## Specialist fostering



#### **Urgent appeal - foster carer for three-year-old Toby**

A unique, urgent appeal has been launched to find a specialist foster carer for a little boy with a big, beautiful smile and complex needs.



### **Specialist Fostering 101**

What is specialist fostering, who does the role suit and how does it benefit our vulnerable children and young people in care across the county?



### Payments and allowances

Alongside a range of support options and training opportunities, we are proud to offer generous payments and allowances to our specialist carers.



# (a) ICYMI: exciting updates

# Refurbished minibus helps fostering recruitment go the extra mile

A school minibus has had a colourful makeover and given a 'wheely' new important job, spreading the message about fostering.



Picture this: Fostival 2025

Janyce, Fostering Recruitment and Enquiry Coordinator, shares her highlights of Fostival 2025, the council's annual foster carer celebration event.

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Join the fostering team and a current foster carer to discuss all-things fostering, including the application process, available payments and allowances, and our 'consistent and reliable' support and guidance (Ofsted, 2024).

All information sessions take place between 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

- Thursday 9 October (in-person)
- Tuesday 28 October (virtual)
- Wednesday 19 November (virtual)

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