

Child Injury Prevention Newsletter

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- **Home Safety Equipment Scheme:** The new government have taken some funding from the scheme back, however, this has not affected our allocation due to the excellent work of children centres across the District referring so many families into the scheme. To date over 3000 referrals have been received. Keep up the excellent work and get as many referrals in as possible by the end of this year! Open days will be held at various locations late September and will be advertised in the T&A, details to follow
- **Paediatric first aid sessions:** are available to parent/carer groups in the Bradford District through IMPS. Contact Taryn Shepherd to book for further details e-mail Taryn.Shepherd@bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk or telephone 01274 382145
- **Pool safety reminder:** as toddler drowns on holiday: A 2 year old child from Bristol has drowned in a pool while visiting grandparents on holiday at a villa in Cyprus.
- **Four year old found dead in tumble dryer:** mother is arrested: A Derbyshire woman has been arrested on suspicion of child neglect after 4 year old climbs inside tumble dryer and dies, www.guardian.co.uk—(4th August 2010)
- **Department of Health Issues:** estates and facilities alert on blind cords! (8th July 2010)—Risk Assessments are required to be carried out on looped blind cords in health care settings where children and vulnerable adults are commonly present see www.dh.gov.uk/en/publicationsandstatistics/lettersandcirculars/estatesalerts/dh.117310 for information



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Please pass on: Water safety message:- 'When on holiday check your local environment for water hazards.' Always supervise younger children closely when playing in or near water such as swimming pools, paddling pools, at the beach etc. CATPT fact sheet free to download and copy at <http://www.capt.org.uk/FAQ/default.htm>

In the UK 2008: 239 children under the age of 15 died as a result of injury or poisoning.

Staying Safe Survey 2009 published February 2010 highlights that parents do not realise the danger of accidental injury in the home. It ranked bottom of concerns despite being a leading cause of death and disability to children

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