# **RORY NEWSLETTER**

Newsletter #5

December 2015



## Welcome

Welcome to our 5<sup>th</sup> Rory Newsletter.

It's been another busy year for Rory which has seen the resource and training been rolled out across the country.

We now have over 600 registered members of our Rory Website.

May we just take the opportunity to wish you, the children you work with and the schools you work in a very merry Christmas and a very happy new year.



**Rory Box of Goodies Prize** 

Including Rory Games, Felix Puppet, Rory Kennels, Playing cards

## What's new?

>> Christmas resources...

With Christmas fast approaching, we have added some new Rory Christmas resources to the website.



Rory Colouring Advent calendar and Rory cards are now available to download.

### >> Christmas competition time....



We want to hear from the children in your class about Rory and what they have learned from the resource.

We want a <u>class submission</u> and will accept any of the following:

- A class photograph or video
- A poster or drawing
- A letter or Rory story
- A song or poem

Each class can submit 1 of the above for a chance to win a box of Rory goodies.

The winners will be shown on the website and feature in our next newsletter

Please send your submission by email or post to the address shown below by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

Don't forget to put your class number and school on your submission!!! Good luck ©

## **Rory Training**

#### >> Glasgow City 2016

Dates are now available across Glasgow City. Rory training is delivered over 2, 2 hour sessions and teachers are required to attend both sessions.

#### Glasgow South

- Thu 14th/21st January
- Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Jan/3<sup>rd</sup> February
- Thu 10th/17th March

#### Glasgow West

- Tue 2<sup>nd</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> February
- Tue 15th/22nd March

Wed 20th/27th April

#### Glasgow East

- Thu 25th Feb/3rd March
- Tue 10<sup>th</sup> Nov/17<sup>th</sup> November

Places can be booked on CPD manager.

Alternatively contact Jennifer Kirk, by email

Jennifer.Kirk@ggc.scot.nhs.uk to reserve your place.

## **Christmas joy?**

**Not for everyone...**Sadly Christmas can be a difficult time for some families.

We know that over 51,000 children across Scotland live with a parent who has an alcohol problem, for them Christmas can be especially difficult.

Some things you could do before the holidays:

- Use Rory materials with a focus on keeping safe.
- Rory circle time exploring who children can talk to when they feel safe or worried.
- Display ChildLine or other service posters around the school.

### >> Foetal Alcohol

### **Spectrum Disorders**

FASD is a topic that comes up regularly at training. Finding up to date and credible information can be difficult.

We have now added a factsheet to our website which may be of interest.

In the meantime, here are some links that might be of use...





www.fasdscotland.com



If you have any questions or would like to find out more about Rory please contact:

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