Aerodrome Children’s Centre – Parent’s Voice

Date: Friday 12.07.19 – Universal 0-5’s Outreach

Parents present: 11

Staff In attendance: 4 plus x2 volunteers

Important dates and information shared:
- Summer programme including trip information

Follow up, feedback and future planning:
Parent’s Forum write ups are displayed on the whiteboard in reception and in a folder by the comments book the main S&P room.

How would you most like feedback from outcomes of forum?
Both paper copies displayed and electronic options

If we had workshops, focusing on one area what would you like it to be on?
- Sibling rivalry
- More getting ready for school sessions
- Independent play and learning to share

Parents/carers were asked:

What do you like at this session?
- The size and airiness of the space was mentioned by several parents/carers
- That you can always see your child/ren but do not have to follow them around all the time which helps to encourage independent play
- There is more opportunity to talk to other families as you can still watch your child and because of the size of the space its possible to have an uninterrupted conversation
- The variety of toys and the children can move seamlessly on from one activity / toy/ bike to another and explore everything
- The snacks for children and refreshments for adults - water and milk for children is good
- How friendly, happy, informative and welcoming the staff are
- It is so well organised and free
- Feels safer than at the centre sessions which can get very crowded though I like both
- It’s a different, calmer and more chilled atmosphere here
- Really good and clean, lots of toys – not your standard play group

What do you not like at the session?
- The lack of outside play opportunities though I understand why (open car park and no gates)

What would you like to see change?
- Maybe more and longer sessions like this
- More trips
- Some structured activities during the session
- No change needed

What would you like more of?
- A few more books – story books

What would you like less of?
- Nobody wanted less of anything

Other comments
- *The services are a vital resource and made a massive contribution to my early parenting and I can see other families benefitting too.*
- *We would be lost without these services.*
- *Maybe do a leaflet drop of the surrounding area as some parents/carers don’t know about the session or centre.*
- *The Getting Your Child Ready for Nursery was a perfect course and my child was really responsive; it was like proper school time; he is now less clingy and more confident.*
- *My grandson behaves so differently here – happier more responsive and less clingy.*

How did you find out about Aerodrome Children’s Centre?
- The majority attended an ACC Clinic
- Others used HOOP and Internet

Everyone was thanked for taking part.

All comments from today’s meeting, the suggestions book and daily comments recorded in reflection forms will be discussed at the next ACC team meeting - any actions taken will be fed back to parents at the next forum.