

# INSPECTOR NEWS



## ISSUE 3 – AUTUMN EDITION

Welcome to the third edition of the Inspector News, the Young Inspectors newsletter.

The Young Inspectors programme is two years old and we wanted to let you know what we have been up, what's coming up and how you can become a young inspector OR how your friends/family could find out more to join the team.

We hope you enjoy reading the newsletter and look out for the 4th edition.

### News Update

- In the past 2 years we have carried 29 inspections of services, which have contributed to 214 improvements.
- Our most recent inspections have been:: The Youth Offending Service, Mental Health, Clifton Park Museum, and Safeguarding Hub out of Hours Service Mystery shop and Rotherham Leisure Centre.
- We raised £351 for Safe at Last Charity and £667 for Rotherham Children's Hospital through cake sales and raffles.
- We developed a Facebook, Twitter page and a website for the Young Inspectors.
- We took part in the recruitment activities for management posts with Rotherham's Children and Young People's services
- We met with Sharon Kemp, the Chief Executive of Rotherham MBC and Ian Thomas, the Strategic Director of Children and Young People's in Rotherham to update them on the Young Inspectors programme
- We were proud to be part of the Armed forces Day which took place on the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2017

### Improvements have been made to:

- Website - making it young person friendly.
- Buildings - with numerous repairs, maintenance, cleaning and gardening carried out.
- Signage, leaflets, notice boards and new furnishings to buildings.
- Increased choice for meals and activities.



## What's next for the Young Inspectors?

- You could be planning an inspection, where you will be running a family fun day for the Families for Change Service with lots of different activities and games for the family to get involved in.
- The Young Inspectors Programme has been shortlisted for the Children and Young People Now Awards 2017/18 in 'The Youth Volunteering and Social Action Award' category – winners will be decided in November. Fingers crossed!
- You will be hosting a fundraising event and having a Young Inspectors Christmas event
- We will be working with you to plan out 2018 inspections for the school holiday
- The young people are making their own Promotional DVD to recruit new young people like you.
- You have the opportunity to do an ASDAN volunteering Qualification to put on your CV.
- The young inspectors meet fortnightly for team building and other inspection work, work in the council's website, individual inspections.

The dates for the young inspectors meetings are:

- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017, Riverside House, 5pm – 7pm**
- **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017, Riverside House, 5pm – 7pm**
- **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017, Riverside House, 5pm – 7pm**
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017, Riverside House, 5pm – 7pm**



## Want to find out more about the programme?

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