



Meet our carers

This fortnight we are celebrating our foster carers and the amazing work they do. Today's bulletin is dedicated to them. Many of you won't have met all our carers before (although you have all met Phillippa and Khosrow this week, as well as Jo at the staff day earlier this month) so this is your opportunity to see who they are and the amazing work they do.

Tomorrow, they are all setting off for the day to Chessington – next week you will be sent pictures and news from their fun day out.

Bill and Lou Carter, with their daughters Rosie and Leah



Bill and Lou have been fostering with asphaleia since December 2007 and have a child in a long term placement since February 2008.

The family loves fostering so much they have added a room to their home to ensure they can offer more than one placement to children in need.

Matt and Guz Maynard, with their sons Noah and Max



Matt and Guz have been fostering with asphaleia since 2008. They have room for up to three foster children at any one time. They have fostered four children with asphaleia, as well as offering respite placements to many others.

Matt and Guz are very enthusiastic about sharing their life with fostered children and have a great deal of energy to offer.

Vicki and Guy Pearson, with their children Georgia and Beck



Vicki and Guy are the newest foster carers to the fostering team – you might all recognise Vicki from training and in the recent fostering e-bulletin.

They are excited about receiving their first child, and are just finishing off some house renovations before they are ready.

Vicki couldn't imagine fostering with any other agency.

Reza and Fereshteh Valeh, with their sons Surosh and Sepehr



Reza and Fere have been fostering with asphaleia for five years, and have fostered 25 children with us.

They have an abundance of experience in caring for children and young people from all walks of life, and enjoy spending time together as a family.

Thank you for taking the time to read the bulletins this week. We currently have six enquiries being processed by the fostering team, which is great news. Our information evening on 1st June looks set to be a busy one. Don't forget, you can all invite friends and family to come if you want to find out more about fostering with us. Just give me a call to find out more.

Quiz question 5

- a. Name two kinds of parent and child placements
- b. How many weeks would a parent and child placement traditionally last for?