



# **DREAMTIME** Newsletter

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### *Message from the Editors*

Welcome to Issue 3 of the Circles Around Dundee newsletter. This edition includes articles on: The return of the Dreamcatchers project, an introduction to one of our new Dreamtime Circle of Friends, pictures of our summer outings and our annual Gathering which was held in August.

Christmas is nearly upon us; where does all the time go? Dreamtime has been really busy since the last newsletter in June. We have had several new referrals and are working in more schools than ever, all the children and young people had an outing over the summer holidays and not least we held our annual Gathering in August. We have been working in partnership with Barnardo's running a weekly 'Discovery Group' pursuing Dynamic Youth Awards through Youth Scotland. The group will be putting on a Variety Show to a group of senior citizens in a local sheltered housing complex, and to family and friends.



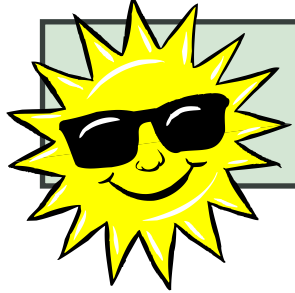
### *Dreamcatchers*



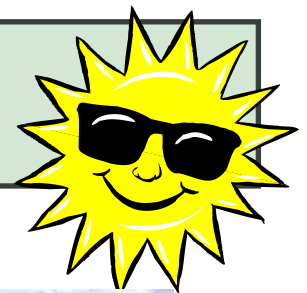
The Dreamcatchers project has been re-established as a result of receiving a grant from the 'Big Lottery'. Gwen Auchterlonie has been recruited as the Project Co-ordinator.

Dreamcatchers aims to help adults with learning disabilities and/or autism to reach their goals for a better life. The funding means that they will be able to carry on their innovative work helping adults to make changes in their lives and to increase their opportunities to be included in the community. This may involve increasing opportunities for friendships, social activities or plans for employment.

CIRCLES AROUND DUNDEE  
FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES AND/OR AUTISM



# 2005 SUMMER OUTINGS



All the focus children and young people went on outings during the summer holidays with members of their Circle of Friends. We were blessed with glorious sunshine for all of the trips and everyone enjoyed themselves at the beach, on picnics, Sensations and Craigtoun Park. We also went on a trip to the Leuchars Airshow after receiving free tickets for the event.

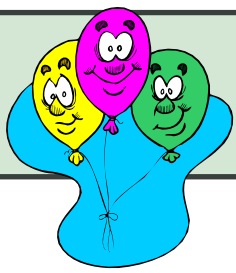


## MEET THE SIMPSONS!



Meet one of our new Circle of Friends - 'The Simpsons' - based at Charleston Primary School.

The circle meets every week to have fun and get to know each other.



# 2005 Annual Gathering

We had a great time being entertained by Sylvia Troon and her Kenspeckle Puppets.



Splash the Clown



Our very own Abba tribute group featuring Catherine, Beverley, Susan and Audrey



Stacey the Belly Dancer



We would like to say a big THANK YOU to the following people for helping out especially the Lord Provost, John Letford for opening the event, Ray for the disco, Charlene for funky hair-braids, Betty's card making skills, Gail and Tom for rehearsals and transport, Theresa for making the costumes, Sharon from Fairplay for face painting and badge making and Radley for helping with the technology. We would also like to thank the Tesco's night shift fund for a generous donation and Peter at PDQ for printing our invitations free of charge.



A big WELL DONE to all the groovy dancers.  
See you all at the next Gathering.



# SPOT THE DIFFERENCE



There are 6 differences in the pictures of our new Dreamcatchers Co-ordinator, Gwen. Can you spot them?



*Hope you have a very  
Merry Christmas  
and a  
Happy New Year*

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