

## Bath Area Play Project

# BRINGING PLAY TO LIFE MISSION STATEMENT

**BAPP recognises and promotes the importance of self-directed play in relation to child development and the rights of children and young people.**

**BAPP is committed to facilitating user-led inclusive, specialist play opportunities and activities for children and young people and their families in their own communities.**

Our 11 projects, each with play at the heart, support and nurture children and families to feel safe and secure with who they are, where they live and able to develop positive relationships within the family and their community.

Since 1979, we have strived to provide and facilitate positive opportunities for children to play, For 10+ years, we are using a Think Family approach; playdays in communities open to all children and families, family play support work and now this year, Family Sessions.

It takes a family and wider community to nurture and nourish children with play being an intrinsic part of children's innate development.

"Play provides a state of mind that, in adults as well as children, is uniquely suited for high-level reasoning, insightful problem-solving and all sorts of creative endeavours"  
Peter Gray, Psychologist, Research Professor Boston University

Always jump in the puddles!  
Always skip alongside the flowers.  
The only fights worth fighting  
are the pillow and food varieties.  
~Terri Guillemets

