

The Bristol Standard Newsletter provides news and information to settings to support their reflection and development to improve outcomes for children and families across the city.

## Sharing the Journey

Over the coming months we will be publishing Bristol Standard stories on the research websites. We are pleased to announce that the first one is already live for you to read. This is the inspirational story of Joy Bramwell-Feddis, a childminder who describes the Bristol Standard as being 'affirming', a great 'eye-opener' and providing her with a 'confidence boost'. To read more please follow the link below:

<http://www.bristolearlyyearsresearch.org.uk/Research/Bristol-Childminders-Case-Studies/>



The second story which will be live soon is from a Play setting. Space Cadets operates from Air Balloon Primary School. The manager, Stacey says that: "Achieving the Bristol Standard has been one of the most rewarding challenges we have had to face in Space Cadets! Working on it definitely brought the team closer together and made us think about what we, as individuals, have to offer and how we can combine our best ideas and strengths to make the setting more effective."



Children from Space cadets exploring loose parts

## Hints and Tips

### *Short & Snappy*

Try typing up areas of strength at the dimension meeting to save time later

Collect evidence as you go along; assign this job to someone after each dimension meeting

## Celebration stories

This year we will be gathering case studies from childminders and play settings to celebrate their own Bristol Standard journey. If you are a Birth to Five setting or Foundation Stage in a school and would like to share your story please contact

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We would love to hear from you.

*The Bristol Standard team would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas. We look forward to continuing the journey in 2017*

