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WASH AND BRUSH UP FOR POPLAR PLAY

A family celebration marked the end of building work at Poplar Play Centre (15 March) where new washroom and toilet facilities have been created.

Local charity, IDCF contributed £28,236 of Millennium Quarter funding for the re-furbishment and the installation of a new security gate at the centre in Poplar High Street. Poplar Play also raised funds through a raffle and from Canary Wharf-based investment bank, Lehman Brothers.

“The work took thirteen weeks to complete but it has been worth the disruption,” said Centre Director, Kuldeep Karnan. “Previously our facilities were in a fairly dire state – hinges were hanging off the doors and the children had to share toilets with parents and staff. The wash basins and the toilets were too high for some of the smaller children to reach on their own. Plus we had a security gate that didn’t close properly. Now we have bright, fresh, dedicated facilities which will encourage the younger children to wash their hands more frequently and get into good hygiene habits.”

Poplar Play runs a daytime drop-in play centre, a nursery and an after-school club.

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