

For Children with Disabilities

Newsletter w/c 12th September 2022

This newsletter contains events and updates from various services around Halton, as well as other general information which you may find useful. You can find out more information on the [Halton Local Offer page online](#) or contact the [Short Breaks Service for Children with Disabilities](#) team too.

Autism Sensory packs available through Caudwell Children



Caudwell Children have created affordable sensory packs that were specifically designed to support children with autism.

The packs are designed to be fun, educational, durable and safe. Many of the items in the pack are compact, so they are suitable for travel or to take to school.

The full pack is worth £112.80. You will be asked to contribute 20% of the cost, which is £22.

They want to help as many children as possible but only have a limited number of these amazing Autism Sensory Packs available, so they may have to prioritise applications and can't guarantee that everyone will receive a pack. They promise they will let you know as soon as possible if you have been successful or if they believe there is another way in which they can help you.

You will be asked to provide confirmation of your financial status and confirmation of your child's diagnosis. Applying for an Autism Sensory pack will not prevent you from accessing other equipment or support from other Caudwell Children services. You can [click her for more information](#).

New monthly Stay and Play sessions at the Deafness Resource Centre

The Deafness Resource Centre will be running ICAN Stay and Play sessions on the first Friday of each month for children aged 0 to 5 years and their parents and carers

For more information contact the Deafness Resource Centre on 01744 23887, email enquiries@deafnessresourcecentre.org or follow them on [Facebook](#).



**BRAND NEW MONTHLY STAY & PLAY SESSION
FOR 0-5 YRS, PARENTS & CARERS**
Meet new people, stories, games, songs, chat & snacks



**@ Deafness Resource Centre
1st Friday of every month
10am – 11.30am**

For more information contact
Phone: 01744 23887
Email : ICAN@deafnessresourcecentre.org

Deafness Resource Centre | 32-40 Dentons Green Lane | St Helens | WA10 2QB

 **COMMUNITY FUND**  **Deafness Resource Centre**  Supported by **BBC Children in Need**

MAX cards now available



The Max Card is a discount card for families of disabled children that can be used at various leisure and holiday activities across Britain.

The scheme is designed to help families save money on great days out at castles, zoos, bowling alleys and more.

Halton has registered with this national scheme in the hope that some activities may be more affordable for families. You can visit the [**MAX Card website**](#) for further details or check out [**the Local Offer**](#).

Cards cost £2.50 and can be collected from Warrington Road Children's Centre in Widnes, or Glendale Family Centre in Runcorn (available Monday to Friday 9am to 4.30pm). You can email [**AimingHigh.forDisabledChildren@halton.gov.uk**](mailto:AimingHigh.forDisabledChildren@halton.gov.uk) or call 0151 511 6560 for more details.

EHC plans session with the Halton Borough Council team



Join Paul Greenwood from Halton Borough Council for a Zoom session on Wednesday 14th September, 7.30pm to 8.30pm, where he will explain the services provided by the SEN Assessment team and answer your questions about the Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP) process.

Visit the [**Halton SEND Carers Forum Facebook**](#) for more information and to access the Zoom link.

Halton Carers Centre



If you are supporting a family member or friend who has a long term health condition or disability and needs your support on a regular basis for daily living tasks you can access support for yourself by registering with Halton Carers Centre.

They provide Information Services, Therapies, Podiatry, training, trips, activities, counselling, carer break funding plus much more!

Their next Parent Carer coffee support group is on **Tuesday 20th September from 12pm until 2pm** at Brunswick House, Water Street, Runcorn.

If you are not already registered with them and would like to join the groups then [click here](#) or call 01928 580182 or email tracey.strain@haltoncarers.co.uk .

Museum of Policing open day

The Museum of Policing will host its annual free open day on Saturday 17th September, from 10am to 4pm, giving visitors the opportunity to meet local officers and find out more about policing in the Warrington and Cheshire area. .

The Museum on Arpley Street, Warrington, is home to a huge collection of historical police artefacts, including handcuffs and shackles, murder weapons and police equipment that have been preserved from local police stations throughout Cheshire. You can [click here for more information](#).



MUSEUM OF POLICING
CHESHIRE

OPEN DAY

2022

Saturday 17 September
10am - 4pm
Arpley Street Police Station
Warrington WA1 1LQ

A FREE DAY OUT FOR ALL THE FAMILY...

- ▶ **MUSEUM TOURS**
- ▶ **ARMED RESPONSE VEHICLE**
- ▶ **POLICE DOGS**
- ▶ **POLICE BAND**
- ▶ **POLICE DRONE UNIT**
- ▶ **POLICE VEHICLES**

For more information: www.cheshire.police.uk
Registered Charity Number: 1126935

This newsletter provides general information and resources, though not all of it will be relevant to everyone included in the mailing list. If there is some specific information you would like to see more of, or information from a certain service please let me know and I will try to include next time. If you do not wish to continue receiving this newsletter, please let me know.

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