



## Short Breaks Service



### For Children with Disabilities

### Newsletter w/c 14<sup>th</sup> November 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.

## Gateway Community Christmas Holiday Activity Hub for 11 to 17 year olds



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<https://www.gatewaycommunity.co.uk/>

# Holiday Activity Hub

Calling all 11 – 17-year-olds!

Come and join us in a safe and all inclusive Activity Hub on ...

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022  
Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2022  
Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022  
Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2022

10 am – 3 pm each day  
Lunch and refreshments will be supplied



Gateway Community are running their holiday activity hub for 11 to 17 year olds across four dates in December with zoned areas holding various activities – [click here for more information](#) and call 0151 422 0111 or email [gatewayc2017@outlook.com](mailto:gatewayc2017@outlook.com) to book a place.

**Holiday Activity Fund activities at CHI  
Community Café, Phoenix Park Runcorn**



**SAT 17<sup>TH</sup> DEC – CREEPY CRAWLIES & REPTILES with ANIMAL TEACH**

12.00-2.00pm 1st session (F)  
2.00-3.30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> session (SS)

**SUN 18<sup>TH</sup> DEC – CREEPY CRAWLIES & REPTILES with ANIMAL TEACH**

12.00-2.00pm 1st session (F)  
2.00-3.30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> session (SS)



**THURS 22<sup>nd</sup> DEC - XMAS CRAFTS & FILM with CRAFTY WELLBEING**

11.00-12.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> session (F)  
12.30-2.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> session (SS)



**THUR 29<sup>TH</sup> DEC – XMAS PARTY with ALADDIN'S CAVE ENTERTAINMENTS**

11.00-12.30pm 1<sup>ST</sup> session (F)  
12.30-2.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> session (SS)

FREE MEAL & REFRESHMENTS FOR ALL CHILDREN (AGE 4-16 ONLY)  
PLEASE CONTACT [HAFatCHI@hotmail.com](mailto:HAFatCHI@hotmail.com) for booking information

Join the team at CHI Community Café Phoenix Park Runcorn for their holiday activity fund sessions, with free meal and refreshments for all children aged 4 to 16. Email [HAFatCHI@hotmail.com](mailto:HAFatCHI@hotmail.com) for more information and to book your place.

## **Halton SEND Parent Carers Forum – upcoming** **Zoom meetings with professionals**



**Halton SEND PARENT**  
**Carer's Forum**  
*Your voice counts*

As a reminder the team at Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum have organised several Zoom meetings throughout November. These are an informative and informal way to ask questions and seek support from the professionals.

If you are not a member of the forum you can contact the Forum by emailing [admin@HaltonSendPCF.org.uk](mailto:admin@HaltonSendPCF.org.uk) or visit [their Facebook page](#) or website: [haltonsendcarersforum.org.uk](http://haltonsendcarersforum.org.uk) to access the Zoom information.

- Introduction to autism and anxiety with Emma Eager  
– **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022 7:30pm**
- Early Years Talk Halton with Tracey Lynch  
– **Thursday 24th November 2022 7:30pm**
- Preparing for Adulthood overview with Paula Edwards and Tracey Wynne  
– **Wednesday 30th November 2022 7:30pm**

And don't forget Halton SEND Parent Carers Forum are holding an information and support surgery on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 12pm-3pm** at MoonMeadow Scout Hut Farnworth Street Widnes. Just pop along or you can contact the team for more information through the [website](#), [Facebook](#) or email [admin@haltonsendpcf.org.uk](mailto:admin@haltonsendpcf.org.uk)

## Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum



### INFORMATION AND SUPPORT SURGERY

**SATURDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2022**

(12.00 noon to 15.00pm) - 12 to 3

MoonMeadow Scout Hut, 21 Farnworth Street, Widnes, WA8 9LH.

*The strategic groups selected at this Particular event are:*

- **Halton Independent Travel Training** - Halton Designated Clinical Officers - **Halton Sendiass**
- **Halton Yearly Years Help** - **Positive Futures** - Halton Local Offer Policy Team
- **Halton SEN Team** - **Neurodevelopmental Team Woodview** - Halton Virtual School
- **Halton Short Breaks Service for Children with Disabilities** - **TALK Halton Early Years Team**
- **Halton Educational Inclusion Services** - **Halton Commissioning Services** - Halton SEN Team (EHCP)
- **Halton SEN Service** - **Early Years Family Information** - **Halton Positive Behaviour Support Service**

*If you need General Advice in any of the above areas, then just pop along and see us at this event. There is something for everyone.*

**We have lots of Fun Activities for the Children:**



**Face Painting** **Craft Table** **Raffle Prizes** **Outdoor Fun**  
**Sammy Sunshine** **Refreshments and More**

*Halton SEND Parent Carers Forum believe that informed parents are empowered parents and our aim is to make sure services in Halton meet the needs of disabled children and their families.*



Halton Send Parent Carers Forum  
**Telephone:** 07784240180

[WWW.Haltonsendcarersforum.org.uk](http://WWW.Haltonsendcarersforum.org.uk)  
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**Christmas Soccer Camp at Brookvale  
Community Centre**



**CHRISTMAS  
SOCCER  
CAMP**

 **Thur 22nd & Fri 23rd  
December 2022**  
9AM - 3PM DAILY

 **Brookvale  
Recreation Centre**  
BARNFIELD AVE  
RUNCORN WA7 6EP

**AVAILABLE FOR  
YOUNG PEOPLE  
AGED 4-17. SEND  
ACCESSIBLE**

**PACKED  
LUNCHES  
PROVIDED**

 Department  
for Education

**30 FREE PLACES AVAILABLE**

**active  
soccer**

To book your place David Todd

**07712 637360**

or email [halton@activesoccer.co.uk](mailto:halton@activesoccer.co.uk)

Please provide full name, age, post code and any additional information when booking.  
Please ensure children bring relevant clothing, footwear and a drink with name clearly written on it.

Christmas Soccer Camp is back at Brookvale Community Centre for the Christmas holidays with 30 free places, including food, targeted at young people eligible for free school meals and other vulnerable groups of young people in Halton. The camp will be held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – call David Todd at Active Soccer on 07712 637360 or email [halton@activesoccer.co.uk](mailto:halton@activesoccer.co.uk) to book your place.

**Jinnie Tong School of Dance Christmas Holiday Club**



**CHRISTMAS  
HOLIDAY CLUB**

THURSDAY 22ND DECEMBER  
FRIDAY 23RD DECEMBER  
TUESDAY 27TH DECEMBER  
WEDNESDAY 28TH DECEMBER

9AM TILL 1PM

**Jinnie Tong  
School of Dance**

FOR AGES 3-16  
YEARS

SEND KEY-  
SA,S,F

Department  
for Education

HALTON  
LOCAL AUTHORITY

Department  
for Education

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**LOCATION**  
THE CRMZ, KINGSWAY, WIDNES

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**CONTACT:**  
JINNIE - 07774184818  
JINNIETONGSCHOOLOFDANCE@YAHOO.COM

The Jinnie Tong School of Dance is holding a Christmas Holiday Club at The CRMZ Widnes for children and young people aged 3 to 16 across four days, 9am to 1pm in the Christmas holidays. Contact Jinny on 07774 184818 or email [jinnietongschoolofdance@yahoo.com](mailto:jinnietongschoolofdance@yahoo.com) for more information.

**Brand new Year 6 Hangout Youth Club at  
Transform Widnes**

STARTING 17TH NOVEMBER

**YEAR 6 HANGOUT**

A BRAND NEW YOUTH CLUB FOR  
YEAR 6 KIDS

THURSDAY'S 4-5.30PM  
ST JOHN'S CHURCH  
GREENWAY ROAD

For more information contact  
[Sharon.roberts@transformwidnes.church](mailto:Sharon.roberts@transformwidnes.church)

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## **Short Breaks Service Christmas Crafting and Catch up session – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**



### **Short Breaks Service for Children with Disabilities Parents and Carers Christmas Crafting and Catch Up morning**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November  
10am till 12noon**

**Halton Lodge Children's Centre  
Grangeway Runcorn**

Join the Short Breaks Service for Children with Disabilities team for the opportunity to meet staff from the team and share your views and ideas in a relaxed and informal setting.



We'll also be enjoying some Christmas crafting while giving you an opportunity to provide feedback alongside your views and suggestions for future events and ideas for the kinds of services you'd like to see in Halton. Plus we'll be sharing information on our Christmas family events with the chance to book your places!

Places are limited so for more information and to book your place please call 0151 511 6560 or email: [AimingHigh.forDisabledChildren@halton.gov.uk](mailto:AimingHigh.forDisabledChildren@halton.gov.uk)

Join the Short Breaks team on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 10am to 12noon at Halton Lodge Children's Centre for a Christmas crafting and catch up session. This is an opportunity for you to meet with the team, share feedback and find out more about the upcoming Christmas family events. Spaces are limited so please call 0151 511 6560 or email [AimingHigh.forDisabledChildren@halton.gov.uk](mailto:AimingHigh.forDisabledChildren@halton.gov.uk) to book your place.



## **Have you checked out the Halton Local Offer lately?**

**Halton Local Offer**



Have you visited the **Halton Local Offer** recently? There is lots of helpful information, resources, support and advice on there about the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) provision in Halton to help you and your family, from short breaks information through to education provision, social care, local activities and so much more

To help you find the information and support you need the Halton Local Offer have pulled together a guide to navigating the site – **click here to read more** plus there is a useful section guide that you can access **by clicking here**.

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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