

For Children with Disabilities

Newsletter w/c 13th February 2023

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.

Caudwell Children's Autism Sensory Packs



Caudwell Children are still accepting applications for their new Autism Sensory Pack!

Processing everyday sensory information can be extremely difficult for children with Autism, any of their senses can become over or under-stimulated by their environment. Caudwell have been mindful that the pack must be fun, educational, durable, and safe, so many of the items in the pack are compact, so they are suitable for travel or to take to school.

The pack is worth £112.80, but they ask families to contribute just 20%, which is £22. Apply now [using this link](#) or visit [their website here](#) for more information.

Halton SEND Parent Carer Forum



Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum

FREE - COFFEE, CHAT AND 'CHECK IN'

WEDNESDAY 15th FEBRUARY 9.30AM – 11.30AM



At Hope Corner Community Church, 70 Clifton Road, Runcorn, WA7 4TD

Join the Halton SEND parent carer forum on **Wednesday 15th February** for the next **Coffee Chat and Check-in at Hope Corner Community Church, 70 Clifton Road, Runcorn, WA7 4TD**. Pop along and meet some of the team and other local parents in a warm, welcoming, and supportive environment. Find out more on [their Facebook page](#) or drop the team an email at info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk



Halton SEND PARENT
Carer's Forum
Your voice counts

And as a reminder the Zoom meetings with various professionals continue throughout February. 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 or visit [their Facebook page](#) or website: haltonsendcarersforum.org.uk to access the Zoom information.

- Tourette's Action – **Monday 13th February 2023 7:30pm**
- Health Improvement Team with Steve Purcell
– **Thursday 16th February 2023 7:30pm**

Vibe Outdoors Community Open Day



The poster features a dark blue header with the 'vibe outdoors' logo in green and orange, and a wooden sign that says 'VISIT US!'. Below this, the text 'charity fundraiser' is written in white. The main title 'COMMUNITY OPEN DAY' is in large white letters. A central message asks 'Want to have some family fun, try outdoor activities and help a charity?'. A wooden sign provides details: 'Taylor Park, St Helens', 'Monday 13th & Wednesday 15th February 2023', and '10.00am - 3.00pm'. Three dark blue rounded rectangles contain the text 'ORGANISED BY YOUNG PEOPLE', '£2-3 PER ACTIVITY', and 'FOR AGES 7+'. A QR code and a note about donations are at the bottom left. The bottom of the poster shows logos for AALA, Q, BRITISH CANOEING, RYA, Prince's Trust, and DE, along with contact information and illustrations of outdoor activities like climbing, canoeing, and target shooting.

vibe
outdoors
charity fundraiser

VISIT US!

COMMUNITY OPEN DAY

Want to have some family fun, try outdoor activities and help a charity?

ORGANISED BY YOUNG PEOPLE

£2-3 PER ACTIVITY

FOR AGES 7+

Taylor Park,
St Helens

Monday 13th &
Wednesday 15th
February 2023

10.00am -
3.00pm

Can't make it but still want to donate? Please follow this link. Any donations are appreciated!

Contact us:
outdoor@vibeuk.org
0151 449 1502

AALA, Q, BRITISH CANOEING, RYA, Prince's Trust, DE

Vibe Outdoors are holding a community open day, the next session is on **Wednesday 15th February 10am-3pm at Taylor Park in St. Helens**. This is a chance to take part in different outdoor adventurous activities for a really low cost, helping a youth charity, and with no need to book!

This amazing community event has been organised by young people, find out more on [their Facebook page here](#).

Drum-A-Long with SEND R US

A promotional poster for a Drum-A-Long event. The background is dark with colorful, abstract light patterns. At the top left is the SEND R US CIC logo with the tagline 'Bringing Families Together in Halton'. The main title 'Drum-A-Long' is in large white letters. Below it, the date and time 'Thursday 16th February 5pm-6.30pm' are in yellow. A large green banner says 'Come and have a Drum'. Below that, white text describes the activity as physical and mental exercise that increases BPM, good for mental wellbeing, enjoyable, and brings people together. There are three callout boxes: a green one for eligibility, a yellow one for booking via Facebook, and a purple one for children's accompaniment. The venue name and address are in a red oval at the bottom right. The 'ALL OF US VERSUS ARTHRITIS' logo is in the bottom left.

SEND R US CIC
Bringing Families Together in Halton

Drum-A-Long

Thursday 16th February
5pm-6.30pm

Come and have a Drum

Drum-A-Long is a form of physical and mental exercise which increases your BPM. It is great for mental wellbeing, it's enjoyable and brings people together

For people of any age living in Halton with SEND, long-term or chronic illnesses

Message us via Facebook at **SEND R US CIC** to book your place as spaces are limited

ALL OF US VERSUS ARTHRITIS

All children must be accompanied by a parent or carer

Castlefields Community Centre
Village Square
Castlefields
Runcorn
WA7 2ST

SEND R US are holding their popular Drum-A-Long session on Thursday 16th February 5pm-6.30pm at Castlefields Community Centre – spaces are limited so message the team [through Facebook here to book your place](#).

Liverpool Indoor Funfair – Quiet Session

A promotional banner for the Liverpool Indoor Funfair. The background is light blue. On the left is a large logo for 'LIVERPOOL INDOOR FUNFAIR'. In the center is an illustration of a Ferris wheel. On the right is a red banner with 'EXHIBITION CENTRE LIVERPOOL' and 'Albert Docks, City Centre L3 4FP'. Below that is a dark blue banner with 'Tue 4th April - Thurs 13th April'. On the far right is a small illustration of a boat.

LIVERPOOL
INDOOR FUNFAIR

EXHIBITION CENTRE LIVERPOOL
Albert Docks, City Centre L3 4FP

Tue 4th April - Thurs 13th April

The popular Indoor Funfair is back in Liverpool at the Exhibition Centre at the King's Dock from Tuesday 4th April to Thursday 13th April, and they will be holding a **Quiet Session on Thursday 6th April from 6pm** with ticket prices starting from £10 for three hours. Check out more details on [their website here](#), and [click here to book your tickets](#).

Kids eat for less this half term

There are lots of ways to help kids eat for less this half-term, check out the list below for some of the most popular.

E[✂]TREME **KIDS EAT OUT FOR LESS** **COUPONING** **FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2023** **AND BARGAINS UK**



Morrisons - Kids under 16 eat for free at Morrisons Café when an adult spends £4.99 or more on a meal.

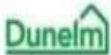


ASDA Kids Free Hot Breakfast Between 8am-12pm every day during Half Term no purchase necessary.



Kids Eat for £1 with no purchase necessary until end of March 2023

Bella Italia - Kids Eat for £1 when an adult purchases a main meal between 4pm-6pm at Bella Italia.



Dunelm - Kids Eat for Free at Dunelm when an adult spends £4 or more at Pausa Cafe.



YO Sushi - Kids Under 10 Eat for Free at YO Sushi Between 13th - 24th Feb when an adult spends £10 or more.



Dobbies - Kids Eat for Free at Dobbies Garden Centre Cafes when an adult purchases a main meal.



Sizzling - Kids Eat for £1 at Sizzling Pub and Grill when an adult meal is purchased.



Hungry Horse - Free Kids Breakfast at Hungry Horse Pubs when an adult spends at least £3.49.



Farmhouse Inns - Kids Eat For £1 when you sign up to receive their email newsletter on their website.



IKEA - Pasta with Tomato Sauce and a soft drink for 95p or any other Kids Meal for £1.50. Available every day from 11am in their restaurants.



Beefeater, Brewer's Fayre & Table Table - Two kids under 16 eat breakfast for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased.

INFORMATION CORRECT AT TIME OF POSTING

Kathy's Space at the Sensory Hive in Whiston

COME AND VISIT

Kathy's Space



Kathy's space is where Occupational Therapy and Ayers' Sensory Integration assessments and intervention are delivered. Sensory Integration therapy encourages the brain to rewire. The therapist will guide clients through activities involving brightly coloured pillows, swings, ball pits, bubble fans or tunnels to cultivate appropriate responses to stimuli. Eventually, these reactions become more natural for clients, in turn helping them participate in more typical activities both academically and socially.



Private hire

1-3 people £35 / 4 people £40 / 5 people £45 / 6 people £50

hello@thesensoryhive.co.uk

Weyman Ave, Whiston, L35 2YW

Kathy's Space at The Sensory Hive is a multi-sensory space where their therapists deliver sensory assessments, interventions and therapy.

Plus they have their half term activities coming up, book your places [on the website](#).

HALF TERM



MONDAY

10AM - AGE 4-10

11.45AM - AGE 11-17

1.30PM - UNDER 4

TUESDAY

10AM - AGE 18+

11.30AM - AGE 4-10

1.15PM - AGE 11-17

WEDNESDAY

10AM - UNDER 4

2PM - AGE 4-10

THURSDAY

10AM - AGE 18+

11.15AM - AGE 4-10

1.30PM - UNDER 4

FRIDAY

10AM - AGE 4-10

11.45AM - AGE 11-17

SATURDAY

10AM - UNDER 4

11.15AM - AGE 11-17

1PM - AGE 4-10

SUNDAY

10AM - AGE 4-10

Book online

www.thesensoryhive.co.uk



[Click here to find out more on their website](#), or check out their social media pages [including Facebook](#).

Carers Coffee and Chat at Halton Libraries

Carers Coffee and Chat



Halton Libraries would like to invite the Carers in our community to come along to a free coffee and chat get together.

Take some time out to meet with other local carers in our friendly and relaxed setting, and find out more information on library services and other local support organisations in our area.

We look forward to offering you a very warm welcome and hope you can join us!

**MONDAY 27th FEBRUARY
RUNCORN LIBRARY
GRANVILLE STREET, WA7 1NE
10.30 TO 12.30PM**

This event is on a drop in basis, however if you would like to find out more information or have any questions please do contact us—email: tina.taylor2@halton.gov.uk or tel: 0151 511 7248.

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Halton Libraries would like to invite the Carers in our community to come along to a free coffee and chat get together.

- **Monday 27th February 10.30am-12.30pm at Runcorn Library**
- **Monday 6th March 10.30am-12.30pm at Widnes Library**

The sessions are on a drop-in basis however if you would like to find out more or if you have any questions then please **call 0151 511 7248 or email tina.taylor2@halton.gov.uk**

Free half term activities with Family Fund

**FREE HALF
TERM
ACTIVITIES!**



Family Fund
Helping disabled children

The iMovie app is amazing. My son wants to make all sorts of movies now. The voiceover and text will make this useful for practising reading/literacy

Parent/carer of
workshop attendee

If you're looking for a fun and FREE activity for your disabled or seriously ill child this half term and have an iPad you can book your place on one of Family Fund's creative iPad workshops. They have 5 different activity workshops to sign up to:

- Monday 13th February at 6pm, Make a Valentines ecard – [click here to book](#)
- Tuesday 14th February at 10.30am, Making iMovies – [click here to book](#)
- Friday 17th February at 10.30am, Making music - [click here to book](#)
- Tuesday 21st February at 10.30am, Design your own app – [click here to book](#)
- Wednesday 22nd February at 6pm, Your name in pictures – [click here to book](#)

Workshops are free for parents and carers of disabled children and are presented by Family Fund's Accredited Apple Trainers. Want to find out more about iPad workshops with Family Fund? Email their Digital Skills team at digitalskills@familyfund.org.uk or check out more on [their Facebook page here](#).

A reminder about Everton in the Community half-term activities



Everton in the Community will be holding several activities for young people aged 7 to 17 during February half-term including Ninja Warrior, bowling and Nerf activity. Please see the dates and details below.

Places are limited with a small cost, please call the team on **07975784613** or email- mark.dolan@evertonfc.com. They will need to take some details of the young person and parent / guardian for consent.

Please note, lunch is not provided and if for any reason you cannot make one of the activities you have booked on to please try to inform the team with enough notice where possible in order for them to arrange for someone else to attend and save the place going to waste.

Date	Timings	Activity	Pick up	Pick up	Drop off	Drop off	Places available	Cost
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Monday 20 th February	10am-12pm	Nerf Centre Activity Day, Grangeway Community Centre, Runcorn WA7 5HA	No Pick ups	No Pick ups	No Drop offs	No Drop offs	15	£2
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Tuesday 21 st February	12pm-1.45pm	Ninja Warrior UK, Speke, Liverpool L24 8QB	11.15am	11.15am	2.15pm	2.15pm	10 (at Widnes Pick up) 10 (at Runcorn Pick up)	£3
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Wednesday 22 nd February	11am-12.15pm	Superbowl UK, Widnes	No pick up	No pick up	No drop off	No drop off	18	£2
	2pm-3.30pm	Planet Ice, Widnes, WA8 0TA	No pick up	No pick up	No drop off	No drop off	18	£2

Champion Sports Camps this half-term



The poster features a red background with yellow lightning bolts. At the top, the text 'CHAMPION Kids Camp' is displayed, with 'CHAMPION' in large black letters and 'Kids Camp' in white. Below this is a circular photo of four smiling children. In the center, a yellow starburst contains the text: 'St. John Fisher Primary School Widnes WA8 0BW' and '20th - 24th February'. To the left of the starburst is a circular photo of children on a grassy field, and to the right is a circular photo of two children in fencing gear. At the bottom, two white starburst shapes contain text: 'Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm' and 'Daily Prizes Ages 4 - 11 Bring : Lunch, Trainers & Water'.

CHAMPION
Kids Camp

St. John Fisher
Primary School
Widnes WA8 0BW

20th - 24th
February

Time:
9:00am
to 3:00pm

Daily Prizes
Ages 4 - 11
Bring : Lunch, Trainers
& Water

Champion Kids Sports Camps are back for this half-term! These are held at St. John Fisher and Moorfield Primary schools, children so not need to attend these schools to come along.

Message the team through [their Facebook page to book your places](#) and to view the timetables.

A reminder for the Duke of Edinburgh Open Award



**DUKE OF EDINBURGH
OPEN AWARD**

**INFORMATION &
SIGN UP SESSION**

**FOR AGES 14+
& THEIR PARENTS/CARERS**

**MONDAY
13 FEBRUARY
2023 5.30PM**

**The Studio,
Lacey Street, Widnes
WA8 7SQ**

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info@thestudiowidnes.org.uk

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DE | THE DUKE OF
EDINBURGH'S AWARD

HALTON
BOROUGH COUNCIL

There is an information and sign-up session for the Duke of Edinburgh Open Award at The Studio, Lacey Street, Widnes today, **Monday 13th February from 5.30pm** and is **open to young people aged 14+** and their parents / carers

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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