



Short Breaks Service



For Children with Disabilities

Newsletter w/c 8th January 2024

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.

MakoCreate Digital Music Making Session

The poster features a bright yellow background with a large, stylized illustration of headphones on the left. In the top right corner, the text 'HALTON SHORT BREAKS' is written in white on a black rectangular background. Below this, the title 'DIGITAL MUSIC MAKING' is written in large, bold, white capital letters. To the right of the title, the location 'The Studio, Widnes' is written in white on a black background, followed by the date 'Saturday 13.1.24' and the time '10am-12pm for ages 8-17', both also in white on black backgrounds. At the bottom of the poster, there are three logos: 'Mako CREATE' in white, the 'Halton Aiming High' logo, and the 'Halton Borough Council' logo.

Participants will explore the art of digital music composition, from project creation to exporting and sharing their final piece. This session is perfect for anyone interested in creating music without a musical instrument.

Specifically for children and young people age 8-17 with additional needs

The Studio, Lacey St, Widnes WA8 7SQ.

To book a space please use the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/halton-short-breaks-2023-digital-music-making-workshop-tickets-580525245637?aff=ThirdPartyOrganisations>



What's on in January 2024?



Date	Event	Time	Venue	Information
4/1/2024	Forum reopens after Christmas break.	9.30am		We hope you have had a lovely Christmas and new year; the forum will reopen today.
10/01/2024	School Parent Drop in Session	9.30am-11.30am	Hallwood Park, Primary School, Hallwood Park Avenue, WA7 2FL	A chance to register with the forum, gain support, advice, and signposting in your child's own school. Meet other parents in your child's school experiencing the same issues. Have discussions with school SENCO's and staff.
11/01/2024	Brunch Club for Parents & Carers	11.30am – 1.30pm	Space Runcorn, Regent Street, Runcorn, WA7 1LJ	Come and join the HSPCF team, register with us and meet other parents on a similar journey. Learn from each other and each other's experiences. Gain knowledge to empower you on your journey. Coffee, Cakes, and Chat!
17/01/2024	School Parent Drop in Session	9.30am-11.30am	All Saints Upton CE Primary School Hough Green Road, Widnes, WA8 4PG	A chance to register with the forum, gain support, advice, and signposting in your child's own school. Meet other parents in your child's school experiencing the same issues. Have discussions with school SENCO's and staff.
17/01/2024	Family cooking session	5.30pm – 7pm	Zoom	Fully Booked – email info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk to book onto available sessions.
20/01/2024	HSPCF SYNC youth club, 10-18 years.	12.00pm - 5.00pm	Moonmeadow, Scout Hut, Farnworth, WA8 9LH	This is a FREE SEND event – and must be booked via email and a place confirmed. inclusiviteeuk@gmail.com
24/01/2024	School Parent Drop in Session	9.30am-11.30am	Our Lady's of Perpetual Succour, Catholic Primary School, Clinton View, Widnes, WA8 8JN	A chance to register with the forum, gain support, advice, and signposting in your child's own school. Meet other parents in your child's school experiencing the same issues. Have discussions with school SENCO's and staff.

25/01/2024	Parent Training Workshop PBSS (Positive Behaviour Support Service)	7.30pm – 8.30pm Via Zoom	Zoom Online	<p>In attendance will be Ebony Vardy-Jones from Positive behaviour Support Services (PBSS) from Halton Borough Council she will be doing a two part Parent Support workshop discussing strategies and support for parents around challenging behaviour. She will also discuss their service and how to access it in Halton.</p> <p><u>Join Zoom Meeting</u></p> <p>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83107410208?pwd=OXVsMDF3NllrYmpqU2ZSanhhbnkrUT09</p> <p>Meeting ID: 831 0741 0208 Passcode: 999223</p>
26/01/2024	Hummingbird SEND Art session, Family with Pizza.	5pm -7pm	Hummingbird Art Studio, The Village Hall, 12 Main St, Halton, Runcorn WA7 2AN	Fully Booked – email clare.collins@haltonsendpcf.org.uk to book onto available sessions.
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Inclusivitee Youth Club Drop In Session For Children Age 10-18



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SEND YOUTH NEEDS CLUB

FREE

SATURDAY
20th JANUARY
2024

12PM-5PM

AGE
10-18

YOUTH CLUB DROP IN SESSION

FOR THOSE WITH SEND LIVING IN HALTON

INCLUDING BOARD GAMES, ARTS AND CRAFTS, LEGO AND
SOFT BALL MULTI SPORTS OR COME ALONG AND CHILL

(Food and drink supplied)

AT MOON MEADOW SCOUT HUT, FARNWORTH STREET, WIDNES, WA8 9LH

Spaces are limited so please email: inclusiviteeuk@gmail.com to register for a place

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[inclusiviteeuk](https://www.instagram.com/inclusiviteeuk)



[Inclusivitee CIC](https://www.facebook.com/InclusiviteeCIC)



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Inclusivitee Youth Hub for Children Age 16-25



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FOR YOUNG
PEOPLE WITH
SEND**

**FOR ALL
YOUNG
PEOPLE IN
HALTON WITH
SEND**

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**THE BUNGALOW
CAVENDISH HIGH
ACADEMY
LINCOLN CLOSE
RUNCORN
WA7 4YX**

**Friday
12th and 26th
JANUARY 2024
4:30PM-9:30PM**

**YOUNG
PEOPLE AGED
16-25 WITH
SEND**

INCLUSIVITEE YOUTH HUB

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SEND LIVING IN HALTON

**INCLUDING BOARD GAMES, ARTS AND CRAFTS, COOKING SKILLS,
LIFE SKILLS, MOVIE NIGHTS, ELECTRONIC GAMING TOURNAMENTS
AND LEGO THERAPY**

**Meal and snacks will be provided, all needs will be met for all and
own food and drink can be brought if required**

Spaces are limited, please email to register for a place:
inclusiviteeuk@gmail.com

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BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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Free Online Family Cooking Sessions

Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum



FREE FAMILY DINNER/COOKING SESSIONS

4th & 18th October 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – FULL

15th and 29th November 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – FULL

17th & 31st January 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – FULL

8th & 15th February 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – Six Spaces

28th February & 31st March 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – Six Spaces

(YOU MUST COMPLETE BOTH SESSIONS)

Learn how to cook a FAMILY dinner from scratch in the comfort of your own home with all your family for **FREE**. The ingredients will be delivered to your front door.



As a Thank you from Halton Send Parent Carers Forum for making a lovely family dinner, we will give you a **FREE** copy of "Barbara Freemans" newly published cookbook, "YOU CAN COOK".

Places need to be booked in advance for this event don't leave it get your place confirmed now by emailing Jen - info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk



To Join Our members only Virtual Cooking sessions:

All you need is a smart phone or laptop/computer with speakers, microphone and ideally a camera.



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For contacts with disabled children

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Free Family Craft & Pizza Night



HALTON SEND PARENT CARERS FORUM



FREE FAMILY CRAFT & PIZZA NIGHT




Friday 26th Jan 2024 – 5PM TO 7PM - Spaces

Friday 1st March 2024 – 5PM TO 7PM – Spaces

At Hummingbird Art Studio
Village Hall, 12 Main Street, Halton Village WA7 2AN.

To Join us on the night:

Email: Clare.Collins@haltonsendpcf.org.uk and book your place.

Parents, Carers, Children and Young People, all members are welcome, but you need to book your place by email.



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National Network of Parent Carer Forums
"Our Strength is Our Shared Experience"



HaltonSEND PARENT
Carer's Forum
Your voice counts



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Vibe Youth Club for Children age 11-19



YOUTH CLUB

UPTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

EVERY FRIDAY
7PM-9PM

FREE

GAMES | MULTISPORTS
CHILLOUT ZONE | MUSIC | FOOTBALL
ARTS AND CRAFTS

AGE:11-19

SEND Key



Parent Support Drop in Session - Runcorn

HALTON SEND PARENT CARER'S FORUM



Parent Support and Advice Drop in Session

Date: Wednesday 10th January 2024

Time: 9.30am to 11am

Location: Hallwood Park Primary School and Nursery - Hallwood Park Ave,
Palacefields, Runcorn WA7 2FL



Do you have a child with SEN (Special Educational Need) or a disability (0-25 years) and feeling alone and don't know where to turn?

You are not alone come and have a chat and a coffee. You can even register as a forum member at the event.

Everything is in total confidence.

Here at Halton SEND Parent Carers Forum (HSPCF) we can Help, Support and Sign Post you to make your SEN journey easier and more manageable.

Our Parent Carer Forum is independent and the only one in Halton area. It is run by Parent, Carers, Professionals and Volunteers who all have extensive knowledge in this area and want to make changes in Halton for better services for the children and young people (0-25 years).

We are all here to engage with and support each other, this drop-in session is a chance for you to come have a chat, whether that's about any subject or just to chat to other parents alike who are on the same journey.

(Don't worry if you can't come to this session, as we will be holding more, to suit all members.

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There is no need to sign up, just simply turn up on the day!

Parent Support Drop in Session – Widnes

HALTON SEND PARENT CARER'S FORUM



Parent Support and Advice Drop in Session

Date: Wednesday 17th January 2024

Time: 9.30am to 11am

Location: Hough Green Road, Widnes WA8 4PG



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HALTON SEND PARENT CARER'S FORUM



Parent Support and Advice Drop in Session

Date: Wednesday 24th January 2023

Time: 9.30am to 11am

Location: Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Catholic Primary School, Clinton View, Widnes, WA8 8JN



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Online PBSS Workshop for Parents

Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum



POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT SERVICE (PBSS)

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PART ONE – THURSDAY 25TH JANUARY 7.30PM

PART TWO – THURSDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 7.30PM



Not to be missed this is a very informative and informal information session.

If you are not a member and want to join this zoom, just email Jen on info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk for a membership form.

To Join Our Members Only Virtual Group:

All you need is a smart phone or laptop/computer with speakers, microphone and ideally a camera.

Join us direct on zoom on the link below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83107410208?pwd=OXVsMDF3NllrYmpqU2ZSanhhbnkrUT09>

Meeting ID: 831 0741 0208

Passcode: 999223



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This session is only for individuals who are registered as a member of the SEND Parent Carers Forum. If you wish to sign up, contact Jen on info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk for a membership form.

The session will be held on zoom via the link below;
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83107410208?pwd=OXVsMDF3NllrYmpqU2ZSanhhbnkrUT09>

Accessing Short Breaks information on the Halton Local Offer

Halton Local Offer



Don't forget you can access our Short Breaks page on the Local Offer by scanning this QR code here or [click this link](#).



Here you'll find lots of useful information and resources, while [the Leisure page here](#) has details of activities and events across Widnes and Runcorn

And your feedback and suggestions help us to keep improving the Halton Local Offer for families across our borough – [click here to share your feedback!](#)

MAX cards

Don't forget that Max Cards are available for our families in Halton all year round.



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

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 – please note, it is cash payments only).

You can email AimingHigh.forDisabledChildren@halton.gov.uk or call 0151 511 6560 for more details.

This newsletter provides general information and resources for parents and carers of young people with SEND, and for professionals who support them. Please note, while we take every care to ensure the information we share is accurate the information provided is not a direct recommendation from the Short Breaks Service and we recommend that you complete your own research about the information and events we signpost.

We recognise that not all the information in this newsletter will be relevant to everyone included on the mailing list. If there is some specific information you would like to see more of, or information from a certain service that you'd like to share

please let the Short Breaks Service know and we will try to include it next time. If you do not wish to continue receiving this newsletter, please let us know by contacting us at the email address or phone number below.

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