



## **Short Breaks Service**



### **For Children with Disabilities**

#### **Newsletter w/c 1st July 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.

### **Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum – July events and activities**

## HALTON SHORT BREAKS

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH A **DISABILITY/ADDITIONAL NEEDS** IN HALTON

# LEGO STOP MOTION ANIMATION



### date + time:

**WEDNESDAY  
3RD JULY  
3:30 - 5:30 PM**

### location:

**ASHLEY HIGH  
SCHOOL**

### age:

**YOUNG PEOPLE  
AGED 8-17**

**CONTACT US:** 0151 345 1419 | [hello@makocreate.co.uk](mailto:hello@makocreate.co.uk)



In this engaging two-hour Halton Short Breaks LEGO Stop Motion Animation session, your young person will be introduced to the magical world of stop motion animation!

They'll get hands-on with LEGO and learn how to plan, build, shoot, and edit their own stop-motion movies using iPads. Their finished film will then be published on our Mako Creators YouTube channel so they can watch it at home and share it with friends and family!

**These sessions are funded specifically for young people aged 8-17 from Halton with disabilities and/or additional needs.**

I have popped the club details below, please sign up via the link below:

### LEGO Stop Motion Animation Workshop:

**Dates:** Wednesday 3rd July

**Times:** 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

**Location:** Ashley High School, Widnes. **Your young person does not need to be a student at Ashley High School to attend.**

**Booking link:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lego-stop-motion-animation-workshop-halton-short-breaks-ashley-high-tickets-912068440257?aff=ThirdPartyOrganisations>

More events at: [www.makocreate.co.uk/whats-on/](http://www.makocreate.co.uk/whats-on/)

# **FRESH-BEGINNINGS COOKERY**



**At**

**St Pauls Transform church - Widnes**

**From Monday 10th June -  
and every Monday until 15th July  
10.00am - 1200pm**

**Calling all Mums and/or Dads  
with SEND children.**

**Come and join us and have fun, learn new recipes  
and connect with other parents while your  
children are at school - TIME FOR YOU!**

**All food, equipment and aprons are provided  
Interested?**

**Contact Barbara  
mobile: 07921579213**

**Book now, limited places available**



**See below for more locations and dates**

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From Tuesday 10th September-  
and every Tuesday until 15th October  
10.00am - 1200pm**

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## FRESH-BEGINNINGS COOKERY

Will be delivering 3 x 6 week FREE cooking sessions.

1. Widnes from 10th June - 15th July every Monday morning.
2. Widnes from 9th September - 14th October every Monday morning.
3. Runcorn from 10th September - 8th October every Tuesday morning.

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# SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE DATES 2024 (Expected)

**Sainsbury's Tu 25% off School Uniform**

CONFIRMED: Wednesday 19th June

**M&S 20% off All School Uniform**

Tuesday 2nd July



**Aldi £5 School Uniform Bundle**

Thursday 4th July

**Tesco 25% off School Uniform**

Tuesday 23rd July

More school uniform sale dates incoming...



# FUN DAY!!

We are holding our yearly fun day and what better way to do so than inviting everyone to join us!

Our fun day will be at the centre on



**Saturday 6th July 2024 between 10am and 3pm**



We'll have the following and many more stalls at a small charge

Raffle

Tombola

Fairground Games

Face Painting / Tattoos

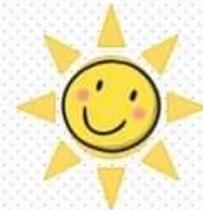
Bouncy Castle

Hot dogs / Burgers

Ice cream van

Police van & Fire Engine

Craft Activities



Entrance fee 50p per person

All funds raised on the day will be used to purchase sensory equipment

We hope to see you there!



Hall Road, Woolston, Warrington, WA1 4PN



# WE NEED YOUR HELP



Students are currently organising Cavfields, a music festival to be held on Friday 12th July 2024 at The Cavendish High Academy.

Does anybody have any contacts with live music / dance performers who would volunteer to give it a real festival feel?

Please contact us!!

[donna.tofts@chs.academy](mailto:donna.tofts@chs.academy)

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# MUM'S PRE-SUMMER HOLS PAMPER NIGHT

Join us for an evening of total pampering, facials,  
foot soaks, hand massage, fake tanning,  
& pre-holiday prep.

An evening with NO KIDS before the 6 week  
holidays!

**TUE 16TH JULY**

**7.15PM - 9.30PM @ BENE GELATERIA**

Booking essential

£15 PER PERSON (just 15 spaces available)

Bring a bottle, nibbles & first drink  
provided.



SUMMER 2024

# SOCCER CAMPS

## WEEK 1

22-24 JULY - 3 DAYS

## WEEK 2

12-16 AUGUST - 5 DAYS

## WEEK 3

19-22 AUGUST - 4 DAYS

9.30AM - 2.30PM ALL CHILDREN MUST BE SIGNED IN  
NO LATER THAN 9AM FOR A PROMPT START

**LOCATION FOR ALL CAMPS**  
BROOKVALE RECREATION CENTRE  
RUNCORN WA7 6EP

**30 FREE PLACES PER CAMP FOR CHILDREN AGE 4-14**  
**PACKED LUNCH PROVIDED • SEND FRIENDLY**

MUST QUALIFY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS TO BE ELIGIBLE PLEASE EMAIL OR TEXT  
- FULL NAME, DOB, POST CODE AND SCHOOL ATTENDED TO SECURE A PLACE



To book your place David Todd

**07712 637360**

[dynamic-sportscoaching@outlook.com](mailto:dynamic-sportscoaching@outlook.com)

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.

Email: [dynamic-sportscoaching@outlook.com](mailto:dynamic-sportscoaching@outlook.com)

# ADVENTURERS WANTED FOR A **Dungeons & Dragons** EXPERIENCE

11-16 year olds  
Eligible for *free school meals* in  
*Halton.*



Week sessions - Monday to Thursday

22nd-25th July  
29th July-1st August  
5th-8th August  
12th-15th August  
9:30am-3pm

Hazlehurst Studios  
71 High Street  
Runcorn WA7 1AH  
[info@hazlehurststudios.co.uk](mailto:info@hazlehurststudios.co.uk)

Hazlehurst Studios

Dawnstar Gaming



Email: [info@hazlehurststudios.co.uk](mailto:info@hazlehurststudios.co.uk)

## FREE HAF Summer Holiday Club

***Kingsway Primary (Widnes, WA87QS)***

- Football, dance games, sports, indoor & outdoor activities!
- Primary age children +
- Drop off at 10am and pick up 3pm.
- Registered with Ofsted.
- Claim a **FREE HAF SPACE** for your child, with a **healthy packed lunch included** every day. **Just bring a water bottle!** Limited availability.



**Monday – Thursday**

Weeks Commencing:

22/07/24

29/07/24

05/08/24

12/08/24

19/08/24

*Book by emailing us ([contact@raringstars.com](mailto:contact@raringstars.com)) with your child's name and the dates that you would like to book. We will contact you to collect further details and secure your booking.*



SEND Key: S, SA

More details on our website ([raringstars.com](http://raringstars.com)) and our social media (@RaringStars)...



[raringstars.com](http://raringstars.com)

Email: [contact@raringstars.com](mailto:contact@raringstars.com)

Website: [raringstars.com](http://raringstars.com)

# Paddlesports **vibe** outdoors



**Wednesday  
24th July  
2024**

**Half  
term  
date!**

*Junior Club*  
**Ages 8-11  
9:30am -  
12:30pm**

*Senior Club*  
**Ages 12-17  
1:30pm -  
4:30pm**

**Transport  
Provided**

**FREE**

## LIMITED SPACES

Register now by clicking the link or scanning the QR code:

**BOOK  
HERE**



### Collection Points:

**Runcorn:** Old Police Station, Mersey Road, WA7 1DF

**Widnes:** McDonalds, Moor Lane, WA8 7AP

Halton Council funded, monthly Outdoor Activity focused Youth Clubs for SEND young people in Halton.



**vibeuk.org**



Website: [www.vibeuk.org](http://www.vibeuk.org)



# SUMMER BALL

DCBL STADIUM, WIDNES

26TH JULY 2024

- 7.30PM



3 COURSE  
DINNER,  
COCKTAILS &  
LIVE MUSIC

TICKETS  
[WWW.KEVTHEMAYOR.INFO](http://WWW.KEVTHEMAYOR.INFO)



Website: [www.kevthemayor.info](http://www.kevthemayor.info)



A Place For Us

8 June at 08:14 · 🌐

👂 Our FREE Awesome August performing arts camp is BACK for 10-16 year olds in Halton this Summer!

Led by our team of magic weaver professional creatives! 🧙‍♂️

All including snacks and lunch.

Thanks to funding from [Halton Borough Council](#).

This one is at a new partner venue [The Grange Academy, Runcorn](#) too!

60 places available- be quick...it's gonna fill up fast.

All booking details on flyer or via

[www.placeforus.org.uk/funded-community-events](http://www.placeforus.org.uk/funded-community-events)

#haltonboroughcouncil #haf2024 #youthgrants #performingartscamp

**Awesome August is BACK in Halton...** A Place to Create, A Place to have Fun, A Place for You this Summer at **A Place for Us Performing Arts CIC**

**FREE** Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd Aug  
Monday 5th - Fri 9th Aug  
10am-3pm with free lunch and snacks

Performing arts activities including  
**Drama, Drumming, Dance, Musical Theatre and more!**

Plus a free healthy lunch and snacks each day.

**FREE** to Halton children aged 10-16 across Widnes & Runcorn. Limited places available.  
To book please complete the online booking form  
[www.placeforus.org.uk/funded-community-events](http://www.placeforus.org.uk/funded-community-events)

All courses run by performing arts professionals and experienced workshop leaders from A Place for Us CIC.  
Workshops all based at the The Grange Academy,  
Latham Ave, Runcorn WA7 5DX

Website: [www.placeforus.org.uk/funded-community-events](http://www.placeforus.org.uk/funded-community-events)

# SUMMER CAMP

WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
CLAYTON CRESCENT  
RUNCORN  
WA7 4TR

SEND FRIENDLY

MONDAY 29TH JULY - THURSDAY 1ST AUGUST  
MONDAY 5TH AUGUST - THURSDAY 8TH AUGUST  
MONDAY 12TH AUGUST - 15TH AUGUST  
MONDAY 19TH AUGUST - 22ND AUGUST

SESSIONS ARE 9AM - 1PM

SEND FRIENDLY

<https://vev.co/play-by-nature-runcorn>

Website: [vev.co/play-by-nature-runcorn](https://vev.co/play-by-nature-runcorn)



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Join us for our  
**MIDWEEK MEET-UP**

Every Wednesday at:  
Halton Lea Library 10am-11:30am  
Widnes Library 1:30pm-3pm

come along for a cuppa, stay for a chat!

**BOARD GAMES | CARDS | ADULT COLOURING | REFRESHMENTS**

It's a wonderful opportunity for adults to make friends,  
feel connected and have some fun!



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[www.halton.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.halton.gov.uk/libraries)



Website: <https://www.halton.gov.uk/libraries>



Halton Libraries Presents



Know a little one who loves stories,  
songs and rhymes?

Then join us each week at 11-11:45am for Rhyme Time on

Monday - Halton Lea library

Tuesday - Runcorn library & Ditton library

Wednesday - Widnes Library

Thursday - Halton Lea library

Friday - Widnes library

Saturday - Halton Lea library & Widnes library

All sessions are free, and suitable for under 5's

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## Men's Walking Football

Frank Myler Pavilion, Tuesdays 6pm- 7pm starting 16<sup>th</sup> April  
2024  
£2 per session

Fancy getting a few extra steps in and having some fun at the same time? Walking football might be for you!

Walking Football takes place at the Frank Myler Pavilion, 6pm- 7pm each Tuesday (starting 16<sup>th</sup> April). The rules are not strict, and each session combines walking exercises (20 mins) followed by a semi-serious game (40 mins).

All ages and abilities are welcomed, if you have any questions regarding the session please phone the Frank Myler Pavilion Reception 0151 511 8282 and ask for Jonny Fraser or Colin Powell.

All you need is some trainers and a water bottle!



GLENDALE, WREN CLOSE

# YOUTH HUB



Launch dates 26th & 27th JUNE

THEN EVERY WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY  
6:30- 8:30

OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED IN  
PROJECTS INCLUDING:  
SPORTS, DRAMA, PERFORMANCE,  
CREATIVE TECH-BASED WORKSHOPS!



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# Halton Short Breaks

## Have your say!

### What are Short Breaks?

Short Breaks provide opportunities for children with disabilities to take part in fun and enjoyable activities, become more independent and try new things.

They also provide parents and carers with a valuable break from their caring responsibilities. Halton Borough Council fund a variety of short breaks in partnership with private and voluntary providers.

### Why we are consulting?

Halton Borough Council's current short break contracts with providers are due to come to an end in March 2025.

In order to ensure that we commission the right services to provide Short Break Activities it is important that we gather your views on what is working well and what you would like to see in the future.

GIVE US YOUR VIEWS  
ONLINE HERE

SCAN  
ME



## 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 £3.50 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](mailto: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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