



Short Breaks Service



For Children with Disabilities

Newsletter w/c 11th December 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.

Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum – December events and activities



Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum have activities and events planned during December including their Brunch Club for parents and carers on **Thursday 14th December between 11.30am and 1.30pm at Space Runcorn, Regent Street, Runcorn** with a free Christmas brunch!

Plus the next session of the SYNC club for young people aged 11-18 will be on **Saturday 16th December from 12pm-5pm** at Moon Meadow Scout Hut, Farnworth Street, Widnes – email infosync22@gmail.com to book your places.

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

You can find out more about the Forum on [their Facebook page here](#) too.



What's on in December 2023



Date	Event	Time	Venue	Information
14/12/2023	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. FREE Christmas brunch for Parent Carers.
16/12/2023	HSPCF SYNC Club Ages 11-18	12-5pm	Moonmeadow Scout Hut, Farnworth, WA8 9LH	This is a FREE SEND event – It must be booked via email and a place confirmed. Infosync22@gmail.com
21/12/2023	Forum Closes for Christmas break.			The forum will re-open 4/1/2023



Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum

The Brunch Club

Thursday 14th December 11.30am – 1.30pm



Space Runcorn

50 Regent St, Runcorn WA7 1LJ

Come and join members and volunteers of Halton SEND Parent Carers Forum for **FREE** Christmas Brunch, with a chance to join the forum, meet other parent carers on a similar journey to yourself and support each other.

Our final meet up of 2024!

(We know how daunting attending for the first time, please contact Jen if you need any support to attend this session)

Email Jen – info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk for more information.



Halton Send Parent Carers Forum

Contact: 07889721234

WWW.Haltonsendcarersforum.org.uk

Email: info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk

contact

For families with disabled children



INCLUSIVITEE CIC

SYNC SEND YOUTH NEEDS CLUB

FREE

SATURDAY
16th
DECEMBER
2023
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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SEND R US Drum-A-Long

Supported through



Drum-A-Long

Have some fun and have a Drum

Wednesday 13th December

5.30pm-6.30pm

**For individuals and families living in Halton
with SEND**

**Refreshments
provided**

**Ashley High School
Widnes
WA8 7HG**

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

**All children must be accompanied by a
parent or carer**



Join SEND R US for their popular Drum-A-Long session on **Wednesday 13th December 5.30pm-6.30pm at Ashley High School, Widnes**. Feel free to come along in fancy dress as they will be having a Christmas celebration! As always, places are limited so please message the team through [their Facebook page here](#).

Baby Shower drop-in at Halton Family Hubs



Are you
thinking of
having a
baby?

Are you
currently
pregnant?

Have you
got a baby
around 6
months or
younger?

If you answered yes to any of the above,
then our new monthly drop in
baby shower event is just for you.

For mum, dads, partners, and grandparents, our baby showers
will provide hands on practical information, advice, and
support for the different stages of a baby's development.

Please contact Family Hubs for dates and details of events



www.haltonfamilyhubs.co.uk



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The new monthly drop in baby shower at Halton Family Hubs are there for mums, dads, partners and grandparents to provide hands on practical information, advice, and support for the different stages of a baby's development. **[Check out the Family Hubs timetable for Runcorn and Widnes for details of the next sessions here](#)** or drop into your local Family Hub for more information.

Christmas holiday activities across Halton



There are lots of **FREE activities** during the Christmas holiday period for school aged children, from **Reception to Year 11**, who receive benefits-related to free school meals.

There are also a number of places available to other vulnerable groups of children and young people, such as SEND, Young Carers, and young people not in education, employment or training (NEET). Most of the activities include a **FREE Lunch each day**.

Activities are available in both Runcorn and Widnes and include lots of different activities. Here's a selection below of some of the activities on offer, and we'll continue to update these through our newsletter as we approach Christmas.

You can also [click on this link](#) for a full up-to-date list of the activities and a google map showing the areas in Halton where activities will be taking place long with the providers contact details and information on accessibility for children and young people with SEND (the table with the list of SEND keys is below).

You can also find out more information on the [Halton Local Offer page online](#) or contact the [Short Breaks Service for Children with Disabilities](#) team too.

Halton Local Offer


SEND Keys – Youth Provision

Want to find out if the provision offers activities for children and young people with SEND?

Check out the table below for the SEND Keys guide

Activities can offer SEND specific and SEND accessible activities for children and young people across the youth programme

SS – SEND Specific:	Solely for children and young people with SEND and their families
S – SEND Friendly:	Venue or event where providers have general SEND awareness and small adjustments can be made
SA - SEND Accessible:	Physically accessible venue or event
F – Family Friendly:	Accessible for all families

Click on the flyers below for more information and to book your places.

APOLLO ACTIVE NW CHRISTMAS CAMP



APOLLO ACTIVE
NORTH WEST

21ST DECEMBER - 1-5PM

28TH DECEMBER - 9-1PM

29TH DECEMBER - 9-1PM

2ND JANUARY - 9-1PM



FREE

*Priority places for kids
eligible for benefits-related
free school meals

Multi-Sports, Arts & Crafts & Food Activity Programmes



For more information and to book on, contact :

 Apollsportsclub1@apollohaf@outlook.com

Hale Village Hall

High St, L24 4AE


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S - SEND Friendly


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Email apollohaf@outlook.com for more information and to book your places.



HEALTH AND WELLBEING WINTER ACTIVITY CAMPS

At The Heath School, Clifton Rd, Runcorn WA7 4SZ

FUNDED AND NON
FUNDED PACES
AVAILABLE

ALL SEND
CHILDREN
WELCOME

21ST / 22ND /
29TH DEC

2ND JAN

9AM START
3PM FINISH

Activities Included:

Multi sports - Football, Basketball,
Yoga, Boxing, Archery, Dodgeball,
Dance, Gymnastics

Learning - Nutrition, Sleep, Mental
Health and Resilience workshops

Creativity - Lego, Art, Crafts, Jig Saw
challenges, Board Games, Chill Zones



FOR BOOKING AND FURTHER INFO VISIT -

<https://seanbaileywellness.com/community-camps-the-grange/>


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RUNCORN - WIDNES

The team at Sean Bailey Wellness are running their popular health and wellbeing activity camps on several dates over the Christmas holidays at The Heath school, Runcorn. For more information and to book your places [check out their website here](https://seanbaileywellness.com/community-camps-the-grange/).



WEST BANK WINTER HAF

12PM TO 4PM

- 22ND DECEMBER - XMAS PRESENT MAKING
- 27TH DECEMBER - ARTS & CRAFTS, HEALTHY FOOD PREP
- 28TH DECEMBER - LIVERPOOL MUSEUMS TRIP
- 29TH DECEMBER - NINJA WARRIOR TRIP

+ YOUTH HUB ACTIVITIES ON EVERY DAY
 + FREE LUNCH PROVIDED

Unit 4 Queensway Trading Estate
 Waterloo Rd, West Bank, Widnes, WAB 0FD

More info contact Stephanie Scott
 0151 420 5605 / 07708 312905
 e: active.eecic@gmail.com www.activeeecic.org

B - 16 YR OLDS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR
 FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND OTHER
 VULNERABLE YOUNG PEOPLE
 S - SEND FRIENDLY

PRIORITY GIVEN TO
 WEST BANK YOUNG PEOPLE



West Bank Widnes Winter HAF – for more information contact **Stephanie Scott** on **0151 420 5605** or **07708 312905** or email active.eecic@gmail.com or visit their [website here](http://www.activeeecic.org).

PIP Christmas Kids' HAF Club is Back!

Join us this Christmas for fun-filled sessions of:

- Games
- Crafts
- Healthy Food
- Christmas Activities
- Christmas Party

Grangeway Community Centre!

This will be held on the
18th, 19th, 20th from 4pm till 8pm
& the **21st from 12pm till 4pm.**

This is available for all children
aged **11-16.**

Booking is required due to limited spaces

To book your spot please contact us on:

Tel: **07895152636**

Email – claire91-communities@hotmail.com

SA – Send Accessible:

physically accessible venue or event



The PIP Christmas Kids HAF club is back at Grangeway Community Centre for children aged 11-16. Booking is required – call **07895 152636** or email claire91-communities@hotmail.com

CHRISTMAS 2023 COMMANDO CAMPS

Ages 5-12

HALEBANK PRIMARY CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL, HEATHVIEW ROAD,
HALEBANK, WIDNES, CHESHIRE, WA8 8UZ

**Wednesday 28th,
Thursday 29th and
Friday 30th December**

Registration: 9.00 - 9.30am • **PICK UP:** 2.00pm

FREE places for children
eligible for free school meals.

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hello@mseschools.co.uk



Military Style Education



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The Commando Camps for young people aged 5-12 are back for Christmas at Halebank Primary school, Widnes. [Book online here](http://www.mseschools.co.uk) or email hello@mseschools.co.uk.



BROOKVALE LEISURE CENTRE

Activity:

Multi-sports Club

Different sports activities and fun games to choose from each day. Football, Archery, Basketball, Tennis, Dance, Gymnastics & much more...

Dates:

Week 1 - Fri 22nd December (Xmas Party Day)

Week 2 - Thurs 28th & Friday 29th December

Week 3 - Tues 2nd January

***** Themed Day - Fri 22nd Dec *****

Christmas Party Day with festive games and prizes to be won.

Time:

10.00am - 14.00pm

Age Group:

Reception - Year 6

To book please visit -

<https://multiflex.hivelink.co.uk/8>

Multiflex School Sports will be holding the Christmas Holiday Activity clubs in Runcorn at Brookvale Leisure Centre and Pewithall Primary School over the festive period for young people from reception aged up to year 6.

[Click here to book your places.](https://multiflex.hivelink.co.uk/8)



PEWITHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Activity:

Multi-sports Club

Different sports activities and fun games to choose from each day. Football, Archery, Basketball, Tennis, Dance, Gymnastics & much more...

Dates:

Week 1 - Fri 22nd December (Xmas Party Day)

Week 2 - Thurs 28th & Friday 29th December

Week 3 - Tues 2nd January

*** Themed Day - Fri 22nd Dec ***

Christmas Party Day with festive games and prizes to be won.

Time:

08.50am - 15.20pm

Age Group:

Reception - Year 6

To book please visit -

<https://multiflex.hivelink.co.uk/8>

Christmas holiday activities with Everton in the Community

Date	Timings	Activity	Pick up	Pick up	Drop off	Drop off	Places available	Cost
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Wednesday 20 th December	5pm-6.15pm	Superbowl UK Widnes	No <u>pick up</u>	No <u>pick up</u>	No drop off	No drop off	12	£2
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Thursday 21 st December	5pm-6pm	Velocity, Widnes WA8	No <u>pick up</u>	No <u>pick up</u>	No drop off	No drop off	15	£2

Everton in the Community have two activities planned for children and young people aged 7-17 at Superbowl UK and Velocity, both in Widnes.

To book your place 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. Places are limited and are on a first come, first served basis.

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

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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