

### For Children with Disabilities

### Newsletter w/c 5<sup>th</sup> February 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.

### Ice Cream Farm SEN Sessions



#### Morning Sessions (9 am - 11:30 am):

- Sunday 11th February
- Sunday 24th March

#### Afternoon Sessions (3:30 pm - 6:30 pm):

- Sunday 21st April
- Sunday 19th May

All dates are available to book using this link; [Checkout \(roller.app\)](#)

# Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum Parent Check-In



## Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum

### Coffee, Cake & Check In

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 9.30am - 11.30am



## The Coffee Zone

3 Linkway, Runcorn, WA7 5EJ

Come and join members and volunteers of Halton SEND Parent Carers Forum for coffee (or tea) and cake, with a chance to join the forum, meet other parent carers on a similar journey to yourself and support each other. A welcome support meet up before half term!

**(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](mailto:info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk) for more information.



Halton Send Parent Carers Forum

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# Chinese New Year Celebrations



## CHINESE NEW YEAR festival 2024 Celebrating the Year of the Dragon!

Date: Saturday, 10th February 2024  
Time: 10:00 am till 1:00 pm  
Venue: Shopping City Runcorn, Cheshire, WA7 2EU



### live dance performances by Purple Gecko & China Spirit

**10:00 am till 1:00 pm**

Arts/Crafts - Make Dragons, Bracelets and Chinese Latin

**12:10 pm till 12:20 pm**

Creative Dance Parade by Purple Gecko's young people

**12:20 pm till 12:30 pm**

Traditional Lion Dance Parade by China Spirit UK



Reserve your place for these activities here

## Wonderful Workshops

### Creative Dance Workshop

For Ages 11 to 15

Explore a series of Chinese dance steps and create your own Chinese dances.



10:00 am till 11:00 am  
11:00 am till 12:00 pm



Reserve your place for this workshop here

### Lion Dance Workshop

For Ages 7 to 13

Come along and enjoy a friendly atmosphere, meeting new people who may share the same interest as you.



10:00 am till 11:00 am  
11:00 am till 12:00 pm



Reserve your place for this workshop here

Runcorn



Free Event!

Youth Fed are running many different activities at Shopping City Runcorn to celebrate Chinese New Year including;

- Arts & Crafts
- A dance parade
- Traditional lion dance
- Dance workshop for children age 11 to 15
- Dance workshop for children age 7 to 13

This event is free and all members of the family are welcome!

To book a place for any of the activities scan the QR code on the poster.

Free Half Term Soccer Camp for Children age 10-16

# HALF TERM SOCCER CAMP

MON 12<sup>TH</sup> - THUR 14<sup>TH</sup>  
FEBRUARY 2024

9AM - 3PM

BROOKVALE RECREATION CENTRE  
RUNCORN WA7 6EP



FA AFFILIATED  
COACHES

12 YEARS EXPERIENCE RUNNING SOCCER CAMPS  
AND DELIVERING SESSIONS IN THE COMMUNITY

30 FREE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN AGE 10-16  
PACKED LUNCH NOT PROVIDED • SEND FRIENDLY

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.



To book a space contact David on either 0771263360 or [dynamic-sportscoaching@outlook.com](mailto:dynamic-sportscoaching@outlook.com)

## Vibe Outdoor Activity for Children Age 8-11

**Campfire cookery  
& Bushcraft Activities**

*Junior Club*  
**vibe**  
outdoors

**Tuesday 13th  
February 2024  
9.30am - 12.30pm**  
@ Vibe  
Outdoors!

**Transport  
Provided**

**Ages  
8-11**

**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 Junior Youth Club (8-  
11) for SEND young people in Halton.

 **vibeuk.org**   **vibe** 

Scan the QR Code to book your place or go via the link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/halton-short-breaks-outdoors-juniors-age-8-11-tickets-803860106217>

Vibe Outdoor Activity for Children age 12-17

**Campfire cookery**  
& Bushcraft Activities



**Tuesday 13th**  
**February 2024**  
**1.30pm - 4.30pm**  
**@ Vibe**  
**Outdoors!**

**Transport**  
**Provided**

**Ages**  
**12-17**

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Activity focused Senior Youth Club (12-  
17) for SEND young people in Halton.



**vibeuk.org**



Scan the QR code to book your place or go via the link;  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/halton-short-breaks-outdoors-seniors-age-12-17-tickets-803874770077>

## Halton Carers Centre Sensory Workshop for Parent Carers

**HALTON** A Network Partner of  
**CARERS**  
**CENTRE** **TRUST**

### **Sensory Workshop for Parent Carers**

**Saturday 2nd March 2024**

**The Masonic Hall, Runcorn.**

This session will provide you with an understanding of sensory processing difficulties and how they can affect a person's ability to successfully access learning, play and social situations in the home and education environments. Further to this you will explore practical intervention strategies (eg sensory diets) and how these may best be used to achieve positive outcomes.

*The course is being delivered by Lisa Hamer, an Advanced Practitioner in Sensory Integration and Highly Specialist Occupational Therapist. Lisa is the director of Shine Therapy Services Ltd, a multi – disciplinary consultancy providing occupational therapy and speech and language therapy for children and young people throughout the North West.*

Places are limited and will be £5 each.

If you wish to be added to the interested list please  
scan the QR code

For further information please call us on 01928 580182

**Shine**  
THERAPY

Halton Carers Centre is registered in England & Wales as a Registered Charity Number: 1124493

Company limited by Guarantee No: 05574889



Places are £5 each  
Scan the QR code to be added to the interest list



## Free Online Family Cooking Sessions

### Halton SEND Parent Carer's Forum



National Network of Parent Carer Forums  
'Our Strength Is Our Shared Experience'



### **FREE FAMILY DINNER/COOKING SESSIONS**

**4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – FULL**

**15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – FULL**

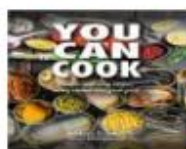
**17<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – FULL**

**8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – 5.30pm to 7pm – Six Spaces**

**28<sup>th</sup> February & 31<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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.



Halton Send Parent Carers Forum

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## Free Family Craft & Pizza Night



### **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](mailto: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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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

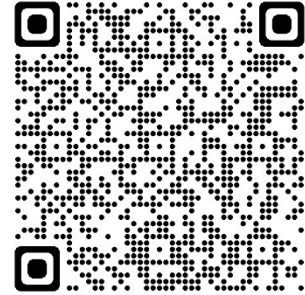
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## Accessing Short Breaks information on the Halton Local Offer

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](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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