

NEWSLETTER

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SEPTEMBER

- 18 Members meeting 6pm resource centre.
- 21 Film Night 6pm—Resource Centre—The Greatest Showman, hotdogs, doughnuts & popcorn—Over 13 years.
- 22 The Play that goes Wrong, Billingham Forum 2.30pm show.

OCTOBER

- 10 Autumn Fair 12.30—2.30pm jewellery, gift tags, office chairs, childrens camping chair, collectors dolls, photo frames, prints, hair accessories, raffle, tombola. If you could supply cakes or prizes please contact office. Any support to help welcomed.
- 7 Disney On Ice—Dream Big—Metro Radio Arena 2.30pm.
- 19 Film Night 6pm—Resource Centre—Over 13 years.
- 29 Larry's Bowling Seaton 11.30am
- 30 Halloween Party Fun Session, resource centre, *fancy dress optional* includes food & games11am -1.30pm Age 3-12 years
- 31 Pizza Hut -Cinema 12noon.

NOVEMBER

- 1 Windmill Sambuccas -12noon
- 24 Christmas Shopping Extravaganza—see back page for details.
- 28 Christmas Fair 10am 12 noon—Christmas goodies, gift tags, raffle, tombola.

 <u>We need hamper items (1 per member would be great)</u> bottle wine, tinned meats, fish or fruits, sweets, chocolates, cream, Christmas pud, crackers and goodies asap.

DECEMBER

- 12 Festive refreshments afternoon served by our Get Together Club 1-3pm £2
- 21 Mums Christmas Coffee time—details to follow.
- 22 Christmas Party Catholic Club 12.30—buffet lunch, disco, Santa visit.
- 23 Cinderella Pantomime -Hartlepool Town Hall Theatre 2.30pm BOOK NOW!
- 28 Aladdin Chrismas Pantomime, Darlington Hippodrome 2pm—BOOK NOW!

<u>2019</u>

FEBRUARY

26 Annual General Meeting 6pm Crèche available please contact office—all welcome.

<u>Volunteer Hours</u>								
February	251	March 251	251 April 219		May 244			
June 410			July 393 August 218.5		218.5			

<u>Hartlepool Special Needs Support Group – Summer Scheme 2018</u>

The summer programme was held at home base High Tunstall School using the main building and hydrotherapy swimming block D. Although we initially had concerns due to a different location at the same venue the scheme was exceptionally successful. Some new activities were included, a sensory relax corner, pet sessions, cold cookery area, our crafts were always busy and all participants had the opportunity to enjoy making and decorating stuff a fluffy friend, pottery and sparkling treasure all to take home. Lots more had fun on the specialised bikes and tandems, table top and computer games, popcorn, ice creams, entertainers. The weather was very kind to us and all children and young adults had a fabulous time. A full programme of activities were enjoyed by all.

71 Children and young adults with additional needs

19 Siblings

38 Support & Care Staff

10 Volunteers

1 Work Placement

Manager and Administration Staff

QUOTES FROM PARENTS

First time we have accessed services, thrilled with response from boys, excellent value for money, felt very comfortable leaving them in your care, look forward to continue with developing relationship with group.

Cameron & Luke.

He was always very happy, tired and loved showing things he had made—Alex.

Go karts were my best acidity—Connor. Could not wait to get out of the car on arrival -Sophie.

Wishes it was on every day—Riveh. Staff were fabulous—Darcy Mae. Well organised -Lucas.

QUOTES FROM HELPERS

Enjoyed this experience and feel it is extremely beneficial to the children and young adults with wide variety of accessible activities **Katy.**

Wonderful experience Hannah. Very rewarding Jennifer.

Staff welcoming and helpful Kaitlin—also very supportive Kiara.

Personal profile cards are a great idea Lauren.

THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

Identified they were happy:



Some their favourite activities were: swimming





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ice-cream



arts & crafts

Some of the other activities that were enjoyed - computer games (Wii), arts & crafts, popcorn outside play: specialised bikes, tandems and football, outside play, children's entertainers, face painting, fire engines, photography training and competition etc.

Our children and young adults accepted the changes in different location spontaneously participating fully in a safe, fun-filled, environment.

Core Fundraising Group



A massive thank you and shout out to our furthest travelled runner Pamela who flew over all the way from Canada to take part. A special well done must also go to Andrew lept out of his wheelchair in the last 10 metres and ran over the finish line to cheers, chants and applause from the crowds. Well done everyone, and thank you to all sponsors.

