

# **NEWSLETTER**

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#### Trips—Open to all ages unless specified

#### **SEPTEMBER**

30th Anniversary — Hartlepool Special Needs Support Group was born in 1989, please come and join us for our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to celebrate at the Belle Vue Club, Kendal Road. Pie and Peas included, Tickets £2.00. Please book now.

#### **OCTOBER**

- 6 Disney on Ice "100 Years" Matinee, Utilita Arena, Newcastle
- Autumn Fayre 11.00 am 1.00 pm, Bric-a-brac, books, hair accessories, gift tags, raffle, tombola. If you could supply cakes or prizes please contact the office. Any support welcome.
- 18 Film Night 6.00 pm, Burgers & Treats—Over 13 years
- 22 Halloween Family Night, hot dogs, donuts, goodies etc.
- 28 Larry's Bowling 11.30 pm 2.30 pm
- 29 Fun Session with Circus Tricks and Halloween, Resource Centre, includes food. Age 3-12 Years — *fancy dress optional*
- 29 Sheesh Mahal, Curry Night— See Core Fundraising
- 30 Cinema-Pizza Hut 12 noon.
- 31 Toby Carvery, Wolviston 12 noon Over 13 years

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 16 Christmas Shopping Extravaganza—See Core Fundraising
- 24 Marvel Live—Superhero, Utilita Arena, Newcastle-matinee—Book Now!
- 27 Christmas Fayre 10 am—12 noon—Christmas goodies, gift tags, raffle, tombola. We need hamper contents (1 item per member would be great) bottles, tins, sweets, chocolates
- 28 crackers, goodies etc.

#### **DECEMBER**

- 6 Christmas Film Night, seasonal hot sandwiches, goodies etc 6 pm—9 pm over 13 years
- 8 Stockeld Park Wetherby, Enchanted Forest, Maze, skiing and ice skating 11.30 am, welcome other suggestions.
- 11 Festive Refreshments Afternoon served by our Get-together Club 1-3 pm £2, would be lovely to see you, come and support our young adults.
- 14 Beauty and the Beast, Hartlepool Town Hall—Matinee
- 20 Mums Christmas Coffee-time 10 am—12 noon Costa (Next, Marina Way)
- 21 Christmas Partu, Catholic Club—confirm later
- 28 Jack and the Beanstalk, Darlington Hippodrome—Matinee

#### 2020

#### **FEBRUARY**

25 Annual General Meeting—All members welcome, further details to follow

#### HARTLEPOOL SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP - SUMMER SCHEME 2019

The summer programme was again held at home base High Tunstall School using the main building. Unfortunately due to maintenance issues this year we were unable to access the hydrotherapy pool, we know this is extremely popular and were disappointed. We did manage to organise a few swimming sessions in High Tunstall's mainstream pool next door, which worked well for those who were able to access it. A varied programme of activities were on offer including a sensory relax corner, cold cookery area, sparkling treasures, stuff a fluffy and pottery creating their own memento to take home. Lots more had fun on the specialised bikes and tandems, table top and computer games, popcorn, ice creams. The farm bus, fire engine and entertainers were as usually a big hit. Our new activity Meet and Greet was thoroughly enjoyed particularly the performance from The Greatest Showman, were all the children and young adults participated enthusiastically. All in all everyone had a fabulous time.

- 84 Children and young adults with additional needs
- 17 Siblings
- 36 Support & Care Staff
- 7 Volunteers
- 2 Personnel Assistants
- 1 Work Placement
- 2 Manager and Administration Staff

#### Quotes from Parents:

My son loves attending the Summer Scheme, he does something different every day, it is very well organised and the children are well looked after, he is always so excited to go. **Kai.** My son is now a young adult but always looks forward to coming to the Scheme. He loves the freedom to ride a special bike that he can't do normally. The staff are always very friendly, caring, organised and professional **Adam.** She looks forward to Summer Scheme all year and discusses it throughout the year as one of her memories. The staff and the children there are her social support and I cannot even begin to tell you how important this is to her **Shelby.** He decorated his superhero pottery and we were all amazed as he does not normally take part in crafts it will have a special place in our home **Connor.** My son came home and said he had made friends and that it was one of the best things he has ever done **Jamie** 

#### **Quotes from Helpers:**

Training Evening was very concise and to the point **Michael**. Great opportunity, fun, rewarding and an exciting experience **Alana**. Good variety of activities for all ages and interests both in terms of what was available daily, it has been a thoroughly enjoyable experience and the highlight of my summer **Ethan**.

The Children and Young Adults
Identified they were happy:



#### Some of their favourite activities were:

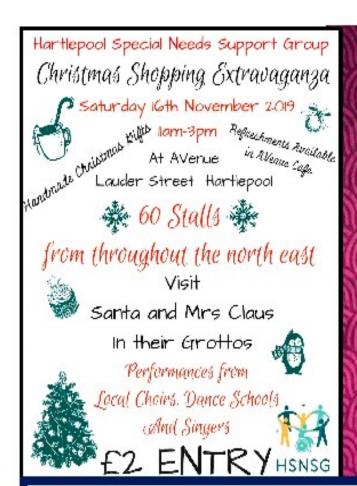


**Bikes** 





Dancing & singing



Hartlepool Special Needs
Support Group
Curry Night Fundraiser
Tickets £12.50
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October @ 6.30pm
Sheesh Mahal
Seaton Reach, Hartlepool
Includes Starter, Main,
Rice/Chips, Naan
Book your places now through the office

A huge well done to everyone who participated in this years Great North Run, you were all amazing!



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13.1 MILES
SIMPLYHEALTH GREAT NORTH RUN
SUNDAY D8 SEPTEMBER 2018



## Team HSNSG

Andrew Allison, Jamie Allison, Gemma Askew, Marlene Barnard,
Fay Braun, Julie Carter, Andy Douglass, Mikey Gatenby,
Leanne Geritz, Mark Harrison, Sue Harrison, Aran Hetherington,
Michelle Kearney, Paul Lodge, Terri Lodge, Andrew Mayson,
David Mew, Chris Shepherd, Lewis Thompson, Callum Waldon,
Piran Watson, Jill Whelan, Mark Whelan, Ashleigh Wood,

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## MEMBERS, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND CORE FUNDRAISING GROUP EVENTS, DONATIONS ETC

£83.00 Spring Fayre

£232.00 Constellation & Friends Annual Show—Raffle

Please continue to help and support us, all donations enable the group to raise funds towards all services provided.

We are looking to set up a new club, if you are interested please register with the office now.

## \*\* NEW CLUB \*\*

EITHER TUESDAY 6 PM - 8 PM OR SATURDAY 1 PM - 9 PM Ages: 10-16 (or when appropriate) Term-Time

We are looking to set up a new club and open to ideas around what our 10 to 16 year olds would like at the club.

The club will have full access to the sensory room and hall. We would welcome ideas and suggestions,

## Friends Fun Club Wanted

Children who are interested in dancing, singing on microphone, entertaining, fun & free play, this is the club for you. Sunday 4 - 6pm.

"Friends Fun Club" is a group of performers aged 3 years onwards—made up of members with and without disabilities who continue to work within our Drama Group "Constellation".

They are a happy and enthusiastic group of people who bring their own element of fun.

### **IMPORTANT— ALL MEMBERS**

## **Personal Profiles**

If you have not completed new update Personal Profile since January 2017, you <u>MUST</u> contact the office. This needs to be completed by the end of November 2019. Please call in for a blank copy or request copy by email, please confirm. If you need any help with this contact the office to make an appointment. It is the parents/carers responsibility to provide us with the correct information so staff can support children and young adults to enable them to participate and enjoy all clubs and activities safely.

#### **Volunteer Hours**

April — 164.5 June — 109.5 May — 202.5 July & August — 563

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