

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our



edition.

We are finally slowly recovering and we are delighted to announce the following planned activities at the Resource Centre and out-in-the community.

Trips: - Please contact the office to book your place. Open to all ages unless specified

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- 14 Mums/Carers coffee-morning, come along for a catch-up
- 15 Film Night: 6 pm—9 pm. 13 years+
- 19 Members Meeting—See overleaf.
- Autumn Fayre—If you have any donations for sale items, unwanted gifts for prizes or bake some cakes—all appreciated. Any support to help set up or serve will be welcome. We have DVD's, CD's, glassware, bric-a-brac and toys for sale and lots more.
- 25 Fun Club Session 11 am to 1.30 pm (ages 3-12 years)
- 26 Jump 360 10.30 am to 1.30 pm.
- 27 Pizza Hut/Cinema 12 Noon.
- 28 Larry's Bowling, Seaton Carew 11.30 am—2.30 pm.
- 29 The Windmill, Dalton Piercy 12 Noon. 13 Years+

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28 Cinderella Pantomime — Darlington Hippodrome

Bookings—The group do try to heavily subsides activities for families depending on funding, please give us a call for details on any costs. When you have added names to any Activities-Trips-Theatre & live shows costs will be required asap. This is to guarantee your place otherwise we will remove your name from the list. We book and pay in advance for tickets/entrance costs. Any cancellations—full costs will be due i.e. No group subsidy

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

£62.00 Spring Masks— Made and donated by P. Hunter

£10.00 Wendy Slee—Use of centre

£2000.00 Mrs Luxford

£200.00 Kath Foster, Greg's Grandma

£100.00 Summer Scheme—Tuck Shop

£15.00 P. Hunter

£50.00 Hunter Family—Loan of equipment

£144.00 Volunteers—Silent Disco loan

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



We were pleased to announce this event was going ahead after all the uncertainty, with many runners having none or very little training still agreeing to take part. We look forward to receiving sponsorships.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO "TEAM HSNSG"

Andrew Allison, Jamie Allison, Emma Allison, Marlene Barnard, Kieran Brimm, Julie Butler, Ruth Coxon, Stuart Dixon, Mikey Gatenby, Craig Goult, Anne Grieves, Kristina Hamilton, Claire Harrison, Mark Harrison, Aran Hetherinton, James Hewitson, Marc Liddle, Sean McAteer, Neil Nottingham, Joanne Ryce, Daniel Robinson, Graham Robinson, Chris Shepherd, Steven Wright

MASSIVE "WELL DONE" TO EVERYONE!

SUMMER SCHEME 2021

After a long period of uncertainty and many discussions within the Group I am delighted to report we managed to go ahead and successfully deliver a Summer Programme safely. This was held at High Tunstall School Block D, although with many changes from previous times all members adapted extremely well and enjoyed a varied programme of activities. The hydrotherapy pool as usual, was very popular. A range of activities were planned for 3 separate areas, each with their own supplies and timetables.

The specialised bikes and tandems, farm bus, ice-cream van and fire engine visits were as usual a big hit. Along with entertainers including Bubble Man, Circus Tricks and new this year Animal Arc with spiders, snakes etc. The introduction of a Tuck Shop ran by members certainly went down well with all—including the helpers! We finished the scheme with our first visit, in a long time, to a local venue to watch a pantomime performance of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs — with audience participation, lots of fun and laughter had by all.

Quotes from Parents/Carers:

When I received the email asking if **Darcy** wanted to attend I mentioned it to her (she jumped up and down with excitement). She has attended all weeks doing various activities, each day she comes home with a smile on her face. Thank you all, you are doing a fabulous job.

Thank you to everyone at the summer scheme for all your hard work **Alfie** absolutely loves it, especially being out and about with Bobbie and being his wing man, it gives me a little bit of time to myself. Thank you Pat and all your amazing staff.

This was **Ciaran's** first summer attending and I can assure you it will certainly not be the last! We are already looking forward to next year. He had a great time plenty to keep him busy and even though he missed his second week due to chicken pox you were able to accommodate him for an extra session the week after and he managed to get in the pool every morning, amazing!

We were so happy that **Greg** could access the summer scheme although it was a little different this year he seemed to really enjoy it and the videos on Facebook were amazing as you seen all the members really enjoying the bubbles, farm animals and other activities. It was a little bit of normality in this crazy world at this present time. To Pat, all your staff and volunteers we thank you from the bottom of our hearts it means the world to us for Greg to be happy and content xx



Darlington Building Society were delighted to meet some of our members enjoying the specialised bikes & tandems.

NOTICE BOARD

All our clubs are up and running, we will continue with the additional procedures in place to help keep everyone safe. We are now in a position to offer places for the following, if you are interested please contact the office for further details:

Resource Centre—Term Time

Childrens Fun Club Ages 3 –12, or when appropriate **Monday 5.30 pm — 7.30 pm** Some of the activities include table top games, multi sensory room, art and crafts and a physical game to finish.

Baby/Toddler/Parent Club Tuesday 10.00 am to 12.00 pm

Multi-sensory session — Assistance will be in attendance to help with use of equipment and you will also have access to a small pay area with toys and refreshments available.

Friends Fun Club Age 3—13, or when appropriate *(note new day & time)* **Tuesday 5.30pm — 7.30 pm** Practise singing on the microphone and dancing whilst working towards performing with Drama Club "Constellation", there's always free time for fun and games

Get Together Club Age 18+ Wednesday 11.00 am—3.00 pm

To complete various work tasks with time to chill by participating in social opportunities.

Youth Club Age 12 onwards Wednesday 6.00 pm—8.00 pm

Evening starts with an exciting planned activity, also with time to chill and chat with friends. Members always making their own choices.

Drama Club "Constellation" Age 13+ (or when appropriate) **Thursday 6.00 pm—8.00 pm** Lots of individual and group work, practising dancing, singing, mime and signing, working towards showcasing their talents on stages within our local and wider community. **(Reserve list only)**

We are aiming to hold our Members Meeting this year via Zoom on:-

Members Meeting:- Tuesday 19th October 2021 at 6 pm

We would love your support, please put this date in your diary, we would always welcome any new faces.

We know you are very busy so we try to keep meetings short.

Please contact the office for Zoom details.