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for children and young people with special needs or disabilities

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Summer Activities Special

This issue is full of information on play schemes, activities and information on other leisure opportunities available to you this summer. Everybody has been organising the activities and we have been busy trying to get as much information as possible for you. Apart from the play schemes we have included information on various sports clubs and groups who meet regularly and have ongoing activities. There are various events both local and national to participate in and trips to go on.

We have given you the dates, venues, contact names and telephone numbers. It has not been possible to include all the details because of the number of activities we have listed. You will be able to get more details by contacting the appropriate play scheme, activity or the database and information service.

We hope the information we have given you is helpful and makes your summer more enjoyable. We are always very keen to hear from you, so please let us know if you wish to share any information and experiences with us or you have any comments on this newsletter.

DATABASE LAUNCH

We now have over 1200 parents/ carers who have joined our service. This service has been running for about 18 months and to celebrate our achievements, we are having an official launch of the service. It is being held on Monday 28th June 2004 at Leicester Tigers.

The programme will consist of short speeches by key guests, followed by demonstration of our website.

It will be an opportunity for parents/ carers and professionals to network and find out about the purpose, benefits and future implications of the service. If you are interested in attending the event, please **contact Bhanu Mistry on 0116 223 2295 by Friday 11th June**. The number of spaces available are limited, so it will be the "early bird that catches the worm"!

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Playscheme: **St. Andrews Play Association**
 111 Walnut Street, Leicester LE2 7LA
Dates: Monday 19th July – Friday 20th August (5 weeks)
Time: 11.00am – 3.00pm
Contact: Lucy Synclere (Mon-Wed), Stephen Ashley. **Tel: 0116 291 6006**

Playscheme: **Goldhill Adventure Playground**
 Off Windley Road, Saffron Lane Estate, Leicester
Age: 5 – 16 years old
Contact: Dee Dixon. **Tel:0116 283 6350**

Playscheme: **Woodgate Adventure Playground**
 C/o Woodgate Resource Centre, 36 Woodgate, Leicester LE3 5GE
Dates: 16th July - 3rd September
Times: 11am -1.30pm + 2.00pm – 5.00pm (Monday – Friday)
Age: 5 –14 years old
Contact: Alison Keight. **Tel: 0116 262 4258**

Playscheme: **Braunstone Adventure Playground**
 6 Beaconfield Road, Leicester LE3 0FE
Age: 5-15 years old
Contact: Mike Keen. **Tel: 0116 291 9700**

Playscheme: **Belgrave Playscheme**
Venue: 2 wks at Methodist Church, Harrison Road
 2 wks at Leicester College, Abbey Park Campus
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm (Mon – Friday)
Age: 5 – 11 years old
Contact: Sue Ranger. **Tel: 0116 268 1423**

Playscheme: **Highfields Adventure Playground**
 C/o 76 Hartington Road, Leicester LE2 0GN
Dates: 12th July – 13th August
Time: 1.00pm – 4.00pm (Mon – Friday)
Age: 5 –14 years old
Contact: Kevin Sheriff. **Tel: 0116 262 4592**

Playscheme: **Armadale Centre**
 Armadale Drive, Leicester LE5 1HF
Dates: 12th July – 13th August (to be confirmed)
Time: 10.00am – 1.00pm (Mon – Friday)
Age: 5 – 13 years old
Contact: Hiten Patel. **Tel: 0116 241 4134**

Playscheme: **South Charnwood Special Needs Playscheme**
 Longslade Community Centre, Wanlip Lane, Birstall
Dates: 26th July – 6th August
Time: 9.30am – 3.30pm (Mon – Friday)
Age: 14 – 19 years old
Contact: Annetta Tuitt. **Tel: 0116 299 2967**

Playscheme: **Magpie Youth Centre**
 Eyres Monsell Community Centre, Hillsborough Road, Leicester
Dates: Monday 26th July – 6th August
Time: 10.00am – 1.00pm (Monday – Friday)
Age: 5 – 12 years old
Contact: Sue Boud. **Tel: 0116 278 7294**

Playscheme: **Leicester Special Care & Mencap Playscheme**
 Constance Jackson Centre, Western Park, Hinckley Road, Leicester
Dates: 19th July – 23rd July
Time: 9.00am – 3.00pm
Age: 4 – 14 years old
Contact: Gail Holland. **Tel: 0116 285 6514**

Playscheme: **Roseberry Playscheme**
 Sikh Community Centre, 106 East Park Road, Leicester
Time: 10.00am – 2.30pm
Age: 5 – 14 years old
Contact: Ajmer Singh. **Tel: 0116 276 9297**

Playscheme: **Junior Lifeskills Project**
 Leicester YMCA, 7 East Street, Leicester LE1 6EY
Dates: all school holidays
Time: 8.30am – 4.00pm
Age: 5 – 12 years old
Contact: Ravinter Lall. **Tel: 0116 255 6507 (ext 214)**

Playscheme: **Netherhall 14+ Summer activities**
 Nether Hall School, Netherhall Road, Leicester LE5 1DT
Dates: 12th July – 16th July
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm (Mon – Wed), 9.00am – 4.00pm (Thurs),
 10.00am – 3.00pm (Fri)
Age: 14+ Special Needs
Contact: Louise Michelmore. **Tel: 0116 241 4337**

BLABY AREA:

Playscheme: **Summer Coaching Scheme (Sports Activities)**
 Leicestershire County Council
 Sports Development for Disabled People
 Community Services, Room 500, County Hall, Glenfield LE3 8TE

Dates: 12th July – 20th August
Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm & 1.00 – 3.00pm (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday)
Age: 13+
Venue: 2 wks - Winstandley College, 2 - wks Countesthorpe College,
 2 wks - Brockington College

Contact: Steve Branson, Dave Agnew, Caroline Read, Chris Reid,
 Dinesh Mistry
Tel: 0116 265 7130 / 265 7128

Playscheme: **Countesthorpe College**
 Winchester Road, Countesthorpe, Leicestershire

Dates: 9th – 13th August
Times: 10.00am – 3.45pm
Age: 8-14 years old (intergrated)
Contact: John Slipper. **Tel: 0116 277 1555**

HINCKLEY/BOSWORTH AREA:

Playscheme: **Bosworth Community College**
 Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicestershire LE9 9JL

Dates: 19th July – 23rd July
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Age: 18 +
Contact: Gaynor Donley – Special Needs Co-ordinator.
Tel: 07762 337 058 or at the college on **01455 828 294**

Playscheme: **Topsham House Childrens Club**
 7 Peckleton Lane Business Park, Peckleton, Leicestershire

Times: 7.45am – 6.00pm
Age: 4 -12 years old
Contact: Clair Brook. **Tel: 01455 828 855**

Playscheme: **Eagles Summer Scheme**
 John Cleveland College, Butt Lane, Hinckley

Dates: 19th, 21st, 26th, 28th July & 2nd, 4th, 9th, 11th August
Times: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Age: 12 years plus special needs (medium to high dependency needs)
Contact: Meriel Newman. **Tel: 01455 440 660**

Playscheme: **Falcons Summer Scheme**
 John Cleveland College, Butt Lane, Hinckley

Date: 20th, 22nd, 27th, 29th July & 3rd, 5th, 10th, 12th August
Times: 10.00am – 3.00pm.
Tel: 01455 632 183

Playscheme: **Menphys 1 Playscheme**
 Menphys Nursery, Skecthley Road, Burbage, Leicesterhsire

Dates: 19th July – 12th August
Times: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Age: 3 –7 years old – Special needs
 (Medium to high dependency needs)
Contact: Meriel Newman. **Tel: 01455 440 660**

MELTON AREA:

Playscheme: Melton Mowbray Playscheme (at 3 sites)
Age: Under 8's, 8 – 12 years old, 13 – 18 years old
Contact: Brian Williams. **Tel: 01664 564 237**

Playscheme: **Venture House**
 Venture House Youth Centre, Asfordby Road, Melton Mowbray

Dates: To be confirmed but probably in August
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Age: 4 – 11 years old
Contact: Carol Pick. **Tel: 01664 850 176**

Playscheme: **Old Dalby Summer Playscheme**
 Old Dalby School, Longcliff Hill, Old Dalby, Leicestershire

Dates: To be confirmed
Time: 10.00 – 3.00pm
Age: 5 – 11 years old
Contact: Ruth Blowers. **Tel: 01664 823 126**
 Debbie Robinson. **Tel: 01664 812 103**

CHARNWOOD AREA:

Playscheme: **Shree Ram Krishna Playscheme**
 Shree Ram Krishna Centre, Alfred Street, Loughborough
Dates: 19th July – 30th July
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Age: 4 – 10 years old
Contact: Shirin Shahid. **Tel: 01509 232 401**

Playscheme: **Playing Together**
 Burleigh Community College, Thorpe Hill, Loughborough
Dates: Mon 9th August – 13th August
Times: 10.00am – 1.00pm
Age: 5 – 12 years old – Autistic Children
Contact: Lynda Lowe. **Tel: 01530 513 600**

Playscheme: **St. Peter's Playscheme**
 St. Peter's Community Centre, Storer Road, Loughborough
Dates: 26th July – 30th July (to be confirmed)
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm (Mon – Fri)
Age: 5 – 11 years old
Contact: Marian Green. **Tel: 01509 557 375** or **01509 213 144**

Playscheme: **Hind Leys Summer Playscheme**
 Hind Leys Community College, Forest Street, Shepshed
Dates: 26th July – 6th August
Time: 9.20am – 12.00pm
Age: 5 – 11 years old
Contact: Julie Hutton. **Tel: 01509 600 662**

Playscheme: **Shelthorpe Playscheme**
 Shelthorpe Primary School and Community Centre
 Wood Thorpe Road, Loughborough
Dates: 19th July – 23rd July
Time: 9.30am – 3.00pm
Age: 4 – 11 years old – intergrated
Contact: Lisa Kilner. **Tel: 01509 212 227**

Playscheme: **Glebe House**
 190 Forest Road, Loughboorough
Dates: Runs schemes throughout the year and during school holidays
Time: 9.30am – 3.30pm
Age: 5 – 17 years old
Contact: Vanessa Dewsbury / Sue McGrath. **Tel: 01509 218 096**

NW LEICESTERSHIRE AREA:

Playscheme: **Agar Nook Playscheme**
 Agar Nook Community Centre, Belgrave Close, Coalville
Dates: Monday 12th July – Friday 16th July
Time: 9.30am – 1.30pm
Age: 5-12 years old
Contact: Gwen Abate, Manager. **Tel: 01530 813 818**

Playscheme: **Ibstock Playscheme**
 The Play Centre, Ibstock Community College, Central Avenue
Dates: 12th July – 27th August
Time: 7.30am – 6.15pm
Age: 3 -11 years old
Rate: £2 an hour
Contact: Sue Callaghan. **Tel: 01530 265 830**

Playscheme: **Ellistown Playscheme**
 Ellistown Community Centre, Ellistown Primary School
 Whitehill Road, Ellistown
Dates: 2nd August – 6th August
Time: 10.00am – 1.00pm
Age: 5 – 12 years old
Contact: Mary Sage. **Tel: 01530 810 220**

Playscheme: **Hugglescote Playscheme**
 St. Johns Community Centre, Grange Road, Hugglescote
 LE7 2BQ
Dates: 26th – 30th July
Time: 10.00am – 1.00pm
Age: 5 – 12 years old
Contact: Mary Sage. **Tel: 01530 810 770**

Playscheme: **Woodlands Summer Scheme**
 Donisthorpe Miners Welfare, Church Street, Donisthorpe
Dates: 12th – 16th July & 19th – 23rd July (for 8yrs plus)
 9th – 13th August (below 8 yrs old)
Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm (below 8 yrs old)
Age: 4 – 19 years old – special needs (any)
Contact: Leigh Bull. **Tel: 01530 271 824**

OADBY & WIGSTON AREA:

Playscheme: **South Leicestershire College Playscheme**
Station Road, Wigston
Date: 12th July – 27th August
Time: 8.15am – 5.15pm (full day at £12)
8.15am – 12.15pm OR 1.00pm – 5.15pm (half day at £6)
Age: 4 – 11 years old
Contact: Tessa Mynott / Alison Brown. **Tel: 0116 288 5051**

Playscheme: **Menphys Centre Summer Playscheme**
Menphys Centre, Launceston Road, Wigston
Dates: 2nd August – 13th August
Time: 9.15am – 3.15pm
Age: 3 – 7 years old
Contact: Chris Silver. **Tel: 0116 288 9977**
Sarah Cragg. **Tel: 07930 598 577** (referrals)

Playscheme: **Jigsaw**
Guthlaxton College, Wigston
Dates: 26th July – 6th August
Time: 5 – 11 years old – Autistic children
Cost: £4 per day, £7 per day including transport
Contact: Gillian Wisdich. **Tel: 0116 287 6747**

Playscheme: **Have Fun Playscheme**
Birkett House School, Launceston Road, Wigston
Dates: 12th – 23rd July (Monday – Friday)
Time: 9.00am – 3.15pm
Age: 5 – 14 years old – special needs (complex needs)
Contact: Sarah Cragg. **Tel: 07930 598 577**

HARBOROUGH AREA:

Playscheme: **Market Harborough Special Needs Playscheme**
Evangelical Church Hall, 121 Bach Street, Market Harborough
Date: 26th July – 5th August
Times: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Age: 5 – 14 years old special needs
Contact: Pam Durran. **Tel: 0116 247 8709**

Summer Groups & Activities in the City

LEICESTER

Menphys Club
Christ Church Centre, Clarendon Park Rd
Contact: Jilly Humphrey
Tel: 0116 225 8838
Contact: Judy Warner
Tel: 0116 270 2939

Special Needs Swimming Club
Saffron Swimming Club
Evington Pool / Aylestone Leisure Centre
Contact: Gillian Al-Nowaihi
Tel: 0116 270 9980

Football Coaching
St. Margaret's Pastures, Leicester
Contact: Sandra Pugh
Tel: 0116 252 7396

Mosaic: shaping disability services
Tel: 0116 262 6900

Outdoor Pursuits
Leicester Outdoor Pursuits Centre
Tel: 0116 299 1175

Gym Club
Leicester Leys Leisure Centre
Beaumont Leys
Tel: 0116 233 3070

Swimming Bliss Session
Leicester Leys Leisure Centre
Beaumont Leys
Tel: 0116 233 3070

Youth Group
For 11-18 year olds with Asperger
Syndrome
Contact: New College Youth centre -
Tel: 0116 231 8500

Dancing Classes
Manor House Neighbourhood Centre
Contact: Sandra Pugh
Tel: 0116 252 7396

Summer Groups and Activities in the County

BLABY DISTRICT

Football Coaching
Leicestershire & Rutland County FA
Headquarters, Whetstone
Contact: Sandra Pugh
Tel: 0116 252 7396

Sports Taster Courses
Countesthorpe College
Contact: John Slipper
Tel: 0116 277 1555

CHARNWOOD

**Borough of Charnwood
Recreational Services Department**
Loughborough LE11 2TT
Sports and leisure activities for special
needs.
Contact: Will Blanche
Tel: 01509 634 673

Riding
The Meadow School of Riding
Stanford On Soar
Contact: Dawn Whitmore
Tel: 01509 263 782

Sports
Various sports sessions are at Rawlins,
Burleigh and Longslade Community
Colleges
Tel: 01509 506392

**Wreake Valley Community College
Stage School**
Integrated group
Contact: Janet Tarry
Tel: 0116 260 2524

**Loughborough Pegasus Special
Needs Project**
Mountfields Lodge Youth Centre
Loughborough
Contact: Janet Holland
Tel: 01509 236043

Summer Groups & Activities

Birstall Special Needs Youth Group
Longslade Community College
Tel: 0116 2673389 - 267 3389

Shepshed Swimming Group
Hind Leys Swimming Pool, Shepshed
Contact: John or Nina Walker
Tel: 01509 506392

Chess Club
Lower Church Street, Syston
Contact: Cyril Johnson
Tel: 0116 2609012

The Leicestershire Children's Information Service
Ring the Helpline on 0116 265 6545 OR
www.childcarelink.gov.uk

Help and guidance is available on choosing childcare and any childcare problems. Information on holiday playschemes, out of school clubs and activities.

HARBOROUGH DISTRICT

Steps Youth Group
Naseby Community Centre
Market Harborough
Tel: 0116 251 5565

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH

Snips
Various activities, ages and venues
Tel: 01455 440660

Shelby Dance Academy
Performing Arts Classes for those with Special Needs
Tel: 01455 238003

MELTON

Mencap
Various groups and activities
Tel: 01664 564237

OADBY AND WIGSTON

Special Needs Family Support Centre
54 Kenilworth Drive, Oadby
Various support groups
Contact: Anne Payne
Tel: 0116 271 0359

NW LEICESTERSHIRE

Riding
Redgate Animal Sanctuary
Shaw Lane, Markfield
Contact: Jean Redmile
Tel: 01530 243 925

Dyspraxia Gym & Social Club
Stephenson College Gymnasium
Coalville
Contact: Jane Bohan
Tel: 01530 245 928

Multi Activity Hour For Children on the Autistic Spectrum
Hermitage Leisure Centre Whitwick
Tel: 01530 260 705

Swimming Club
Ibstock Community College
Contact: Jill Stidever
Tel: 01530 243 352

RUTLAND

Kids Are Us
Age - 5+ monthly activities
Contact: Sue Mullinger
Tel: 01572 770037

Teenage Support Youth Group
Age - 12+ (up to 16 but extending it)
Contact: Debbie Sowter
Tel: 01572 723 533

Vista Summer Activities Programme

FOR 0-15 YEARS

JULY/AUGUST

Listed below are the dates and times of the trips and activities taking place. For further details please contact:

Vista, Society for the Blind
Margaret Road, off Gwendolen Road, Leicester LE5 5FU
Tel: 0116 249 0909

Daisy Day Sponsored Walk
Saturday 12th June 11am

Sailing
Staunton Harold Reservoir
Saturday 19th June
11am – 4.30pm

Wicksteed Park
Friday 30th July
12noon – 3.30pm

Canal Boat Day
Peter Le Marchant
Beeches Road, Loughborough
Monday 2nd August
10.30am – 3.30pm

Twin Lakes Park
Melton Mowbray
Wednesday 4th August
11.30am – 3.30pm

White Post Farm
Farnsfield, Notts
Wednesday 18th August
11.30am – 3.30pm

For all the above trips a packed lunch will be required and it would be nice if we could picnic together as this gives a chance for people to meet and chat.

FOR 8 –15 YEARS

JULY/AUGUST

Daisy Day Sponsored Walk
Saturday 12th June 11am

Sailing
Staunton Harold Reservoir
Saturday 19th June
11am – 4.30pm

Horseriding
Park View Thurgaston
Wednesday 14th July
11am – 1pm
16 places available.

Microwave Cookery/Craft session at the Resource Centre
Thursday 5th August
11am – 3pm

Galleries of Justice
Nottingham
Monday 9th August
11am – 2.30ish

Team Challenge and Pond Dipping at Beaumanor Hall
Friday 20th August
10.30am – 3.30pm

Skiing
At John Nike Leisuresport
Swadlincote
Tuesday 24th August

For more details please contact Vista.

More Events and Information

Leicestershire & Rutland open for Disabled Persons'

Venue: Oadby Golf Club Leicester
Date: Monday 14th June
Tee Times: from 10.00am
Format: 18 hole stableford
Fee: £5.00 per person

The above is specifically for disabled and special needs golfers that hold a current golf handicap certificate.

It is held during the clubs Festival Week, 13th -19th June that includes competitions for Gentleman, Seniors, Ladies and Juniors, open to members and non-members alike.

The Club have held a Festival week for many years and decided in 1997 to have disabled players day because of the grant.

Information About Inclusion Opportunities

Contact Amy Sheppard at the Red Cross Family Support Service, for information about inclusion opportunities within mainstream playschemes for children with special needs/disabilities.

Telephone Amy on
0116 271 0359

A word from us

The information we have provided is the information we have received from various organisers.

There may be other play schemes and activities that you might know about. Please let us know, so we can include them in next year's edition.

Places are not guaranteed for everyone but we want to know and would like to hear from you if you have had difficulties as well as successes getting into play schemes or activities.

If your child wants to go to a local play scheme, the staff there should be able to help you.

There are number of disability swimming gala dates. If you are interested contact The Sports Development - Leicester on
0116 265 7137.

Shepshed Disabled Group Have a go Day (Multi Sports)

Date:

13th June 2004

Time:

10.00am- 5.00pm

Venue:

**Hind Leys Community College
Shepshed**

Tel: 0116 265 7137

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