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Aiming High Activity Programme For Disabled Children in Stoke-on-Trent

January – March 2024



Hello

Welcome to our Winter 2024 activity programme.

Action for Children has been the lead provider for the programme for many years now and the time has really flown by. We have as you are all aware had a lot of changes and fluctuation in the programme. However we are happy to be in a position where we can offer the full quarters programme again.

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About Stoke Aiming High

We run fun activities for disabled children, young people and their families in Stoke-on-Trent.

You can get creative at our cookery, arts and crafts, and music sessions, or get active at our sensory play, trampolining and swimming groups. There are trips to the cinema, meals out and gaming sessions, too.

We – Action for Children – run all the activities. But it's our brilliant local partners that really make things happen.

About Action for Children

We believe every child and young person should have a safe and happy childhood, and the foundations they need to thrive.

For disabled children, this means celebrating small steps and making long-term plans. Our activities and short breaks give children and their carers some time out, and the chance to try new things. This builds confidence and independence, and helps every child to fulfil their potential.

The fun starts here

Get registered

Don't miss out – make sure your child is signed up by emailing us at: web.stokeontrent@actionforchildren.org.uk

Choose your activity

You are able to book: 1 core activity for January term time; 1 core activity for February term time and 1 for February holiday; and 1 core activity for March.

Let us know which activity your child wants to do, and we'll then confirm their place. If you'd like to book extra activities, give us a ring or send us an email after the tenth of the month. We'll explain how it works and how much you'll need to pay.

Telling us you can't make it

We completely understand that you might need to cancel. Please let us know as soon as possible. The sooner we know, the sooner we can offer a place to another child.

We look forward to seeing you at one (or more!) of our activities.



In the know

How many core (free) activities can I book?

You are able to book: 1 core activity for January term time; 1 core activity for February term time and 1 for February holiday; and 1 core activity for March.

How many extra activities can I book?

As many as you like, as long as there's space! The cost of extra activities is:

- £5 for up to three hours.
- £7.50 for up to five hours.
- £8.50 for five hours, including transport from a central meeting point.
- £7 for a family activity.

Do you allocate activities on a first come, first served basis?

Nope, we don't. When you ring up, give us a few choices and we'll look at your child's activity history. This means activities are allocated fairly, and all children get to take part.

How do I pay for activities and transport?

You can pay by:

- Cheque made payable to Action for Children. Post it to our office: The Brook Centre, Stanier Street, Newcastle, ST5 2SU.
- Cash or card at the office (we're open Monday to Friday, 10am-4pm).
- Postal order sent to our office.
- Credit or debit card over the phone. Call us on 01782 982250.

When do I need to pay?

Either when you book or by the end of the month in which your activity(ies) take place.

I forgot to call or email within the booking period – can we still take part?

Don't worry. Give us a call and we'll see what we can do.

I can't get through on the booking line. How else can I book?

You can email: web.stokeontrent@actionforchildren.org.uk

Send us your core (free) activity choice between the first and tenth of the month. If you'd like to book extra activities, give us a ring or send us an email after the tenth of the month. You can send us as many choices as you like. We'll then send you a confirmation letter.

We check our emails Monday to Friday, 9am-4:30pm.

Is an activity suitable for my child?

There are symbols next to each activity, which tell you more about what's involved. The suggested age is only a guide. Give us a ring if you're not sure about anything.

My child lives in Staffordshire, can we come along?

Yes, of course! Families that live in Staffordshire can book activities from the 11th of each month, all activities must be paid for.

Do you provide transport?

Give us a call if you think transport might stop your child from taking part. We'll work out the best way around this and let you know if any costs are involved.

We're here to help. If you have any questions, please call or send us an email.

Your voice, your say

Get in touch

We want to know what you think about the activities and whether there's anything new you'd like to see. Please tell us what your children think, too!

Have your say by calling us on 01782 982250 or emailing: web.stokeontrent@actionforchildren.org.uk

Making a complaint

We take every complaint seriously. We promise to help you quickly and in a friendly way.

Please get in touch with the office and ask to speak to a service coordinator. You can also email us using the contact form on the website or write us a letter. If you'd like to speak to someone who's not from the service, please write to:

Complaints Manager Action for Children 3 The Boulevard Ascot Road Watford, WD18 8AG



Our amazing partners



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Gifted - DJ and production workshops

The workshops give disabled children an opportunity to explore their creative talent through music production. Using contemporary mediums, Gifted works with disabled children and young people, young people not in employment, education or training. Each workshop is fun and develops confidence, independence, personal and social development.

Helping Angels

Supporting vulnerable adults and children with complex needs and disabilities and their families to reach their full potential across Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire.

Helping Angels is a LTD Company and Charity. Our object is to relieve the needs of adults and children with disabilities and complex needs in Stoke-on-Trent and the County of Staffordshire for the public benefit. We do this by enabling them to explore activities that will promote independence and develop their skills and abilities.



Family Focus Staffordshire

Teams work across the county to make sure every child that comes to the activity has a fun time in a safe environment. Children make friends and parents have a well-deserved break. The sessions are personalised to meet the needs of the individual children attending on the day. One-to-one care is available and staff have NVQ Level 3 qualifications plus safeguarding, Makaton and behaviour management training.

Staffordshire Angling

The Staffordshire Angling Regeneration Team – AKA The Star Team – is a teaching group in Stoke-on-Trent that consists of six angling clubs. The group, through angling, brings together people from all communities to encourage better understanding of the environment and awareness of our surroundings.

Our Space



Our Space is a charity that provides social and recreational opportunities for children, young people and adults with disabilities. We offer a range of sessions throughout the week, catering for a range of different age groups. Activities include popular family session on a Saturday afternoon where the whole family can come and enjoy our facilities at The Brook Centre in Newcastle-under-Lyme.

The Brook Centre has more than an acre of outside space, an indoor soft play area, a large kitchen and fully accessible toilet facilities. We also provide playschemes during the school holidays and Family Fun Days.



Bee Active

Bee Active is Staffordshire and Cheshire's leading sports and physical education provider. With an innovative approach to teaching sports and physical activity they've created a real 'buzz' in our local area. Bee Active aims to inspire children to lead a more active and healthy lifestyle.



Jump 2 It Coaching

Providing fun and friendly trampolining lessons for disabled children across Stoke-on-Trent. The team run two types of lessons: one for children with learning disabilities and another for children with physical disabilities. The sessions are great for helping with balance, coordination, muscle tone, fitness and much more. Being bounced also gives the children the sense of freedom. Parents/carers need to provide a sling for wheelchair users to use with their hoist. All coaches have been certified by British Gymnastics. The lead coach has training in disability and sport, and the team is fully trained in rebound therapy, first aid, safeguarding children and safe handling.

YMCA

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YMCA GO is part of YMCA North Staffordshire. Every second Sunday of the month, YMCA GO will run a session covering dance, drama and performance. The organisation's youth workers have unique skillsets in this area and deliver an exciting, engaging and interactive class that promotes independence, socialisation, communication, mobility and self-awareness. The venues are naturally lit, accessible and safe spaces, and our staff are DBS checked and safeguarding trained. The dance workshops offer a wide range of benefits beyond the obvious improvements in coordination and physical fitness. Regular dancing can lead to strengthened muscle tone, help to maintain concentration amd focus and build a person's sense of self-confidence. Dance can also provide a valuable outlet for self-expression that can be enormously beneficial for people who might have difficulty communicating in other ways. This helps to reduce their sense of frustration and enables them to build better relationships with people.



Staffordshire Wildlife Trust

The Trust prides itself on the quality, variety and expertise of its community engagement work. They work with individuals, groups, families and organisations across the county to connect people to conservation and wildlife. They do this by taking positive action in our communities, through fantastic volunteers or specific conservation projects. They provide exciting and fun Wildplay and Wildfamilies sessions, giving children and young people the chance to enjoy the outdoors.

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Book core activities for january between 1-10 December and additional activities between 11-15

Tuesday 2 January **Family Focus Staffs Fenton Fun Factory** 10am-12pm

Ages 0-8 years 5 Spaces

Wednesday 3 January Family Focus Staffs **Games & Crafts**

The Bridge Centre 10am-12pm Ages 4-11 years 6 Spaces



Wednesday 3 January Gifted

Creative Music and Media Wesley Hall

5pm-7pm Ages 5-17 years 8 spaces Ġ

Saturday 6 January **Our Space Aiming High Family Session**

The Brook Centre 9:30am-12:00pm Ages 0-17 years Up to 50 people Ġ.Ġ

Saturday 6 January Family Focus Staffs

Swimming Dimensions 10am-12pm Ages 0-8 years 3 Spaces



Tuesday 9 January

Family Focus Staffs Swimming Dimensions 4pm-6pm Ages 0-8 years 3 Spaces Ġ.Ġ

Tuesday 9 January **Bee Active Multi Sports** The Wallace Centre 5pm-7pm Ages 4-12 years 8 spaces

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Wednesday 10 January **Helping Angels Tea Club** Hanley Park Lodge

4.30-6.30pm Ages 4-10 years 6 spaces Ġ,Ġ

Wednesday 10 January

Family Focus Staffs **Fenton Fun Factory**

4pm-6pm Ages 0-8 years 5 Spaces

Friday 12 January **Action for Children** Pizza Hut

Festival Park 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 Years 8 Spaces

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Saturday 13 January Action for Children **Youth Club Our Space** 10am-12pm Ages 8-17 Years 8 Spaces Å Å

Saturday 13 January **Action for Children**

Pony Experience with SCEAP Great Eaves Farm 1:30pm-3:30pm Ages 11-17 years 6 spaces

Sunday 14 January

Jump2lt **Trampolining Coaching for Learning Disabilities**

The Wallace Centre 11:30pm-1:15pm Ages 5-17 years 10 spaces

Sunday 14 January

YMCA **Dance and Drama** YMCA 2pm-4pm Ages 10-17 years 12 spaces Ġ.

Tuesday 16 January

Family Focus Staffs Bowling & Meal Tenpin 4pm-6pm Ages 4-11 years 6 Spaces



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Disabled changing facilities

Tuesday 16 January

Action for Children Bowling and Pizza Tenpin, Festival Park 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 Years Ġ

Wednesday 17 January Family Focus Staffs Swimming

Dimensions 4pm-6pm Ages 0-8 years 3 Spaces ĠĠ

Thursday 18 January Family Focus Staffs **Fenton Fun Factory**

4pm-6pm Ages 0-11 years 5 Spaces

Saturday 20 January **Family Focus Staffs Just Kidding**

Hanley 9am-11am Ages 0-8 years 5 spaces

Saturday 20 January Staffordshire Angling **Fishing / Pond Dipping**

Location Sammies Pool 10am-2pm Ages 7-17 years 8 spaces

Saturday 20 January Gifted

Creative Music and Media Wesley Hall 10am-12pm Ages 5-17 years 8 spaces

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8 Spaces

Saturday 20 January **Action for Children**

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Crazy Golf and Mc Donalds Festival Park 1:30pm-4pm Ages 8-17 years 6 Spaces

Saturday 20 January

Action for Children Family Swim Jubilee2 3:45pm-4:45pm Ages 0-17 years 10 family spaces Ġ.Ġ

Sunday 21 January Our Space **Places at Our Space Family** Fun Day with Art Brasil dance activity

The Brook Centre 11am-3pm Ages 0-17 years Up to 15 people Ġ.Ś

Sunday 21 January

Action for Children Apple Tree Town 11:30am-1:30pm

Ages 0-10 years 6 Spaces

Sunday 21 January **Action for Children**

Sensory and Play Chestnut Lodge 2pm-4pm Ages 0-12 years 5 Spaces Ġ, Ġ

Tuesday 23 January Family Focus Staffs **Bowling & Meal** Tenpin, Festival Park

4pm-6pm Ages 5-11 years 5 Spaces Ġ

Tuesday 23 January Bee Active Multi Sports

The Wallace Centre 5pm-7pm Ages 4-12 years 8 spaces Ġ.

Wednesday 24 January

Family Focus Staffs Swimming Dimensions 4pm-6pm Ages 4-11 years 3 spaces <u>ب</u>ه بې

Wednesday 24 January

Helping Angels Tea Club Hanley Park Lodge 4:30pm-7:30pm Ages 10-17 years 6 spaces Ġ, Ġ

Friday 26 January **Action for Children**

Bowling and a Meal Festival Park 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 years 8 spaces

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Book core activities for january between 1-10 December and additional activities between 11-15

Saturday 27 January Action for Children **Youth Club Our Space** 10am-12pm Ages 8-17 Years 8 Spaces Ġ, Ġ

Tuesday 30 January Family Focus Staffs **Fenton Fun Factory** 4pm-6pm Ages 5-11 years 5 spaces

Saturday 27 January Staffordshire Angling **Fishing / Pond dipping**

Sammies Pool 10am-2pm Ages 7-17 years 8 spaces

Saturday 27 January Action for Children **Pony Experience with SCEAP**

Great Eaves Farm 1:30pm-3:30pm Ages 11-17 years 6 spaces

Saturday 27 January Action for Children

Family Swim Jubilee2 3:45-4:45pm Ages 0-17 years 10 family spaces Ġ, Ġ

Sunday 28 January Jump2lt **Trampolining Coaching for Learning Disabilities**

The Wallace Centre 11:30pm-1:15pm Ages 5-17 years 10 spaces

Sunday 28 January **Action for Children Bouncy Castle and Games**

The Wallace Centre 2pm-4pm Ages 5-12 years 8 Spaces



Book core activities for February between 1-10 January and additional activities between 11-15

Wednesday 1 February Family Focus Staffs Fenton Fun Factory 4pm-6pm Ages 0-11 years 5 Spaces

Saturday 3 February Our Space Aiming High Family Session

The Brook Centre 9:30am-12pm Ages 0-17 years Up to 50 people



Saturday 3 February Family Focus Staffs Swimming

Dimensions **10am-12pm** Ages 0-11 years 3 Spaces



Saturday 3 February Action for Children McDonalds and Shopping Festival Park

Ages 8-17 years 1pm-3pm 6 Spaces

Sunday 4 February Action for Children Bouncy Castle and Games

The Wallace Centre **2pm-4pm** Ages 5-12 years 8 Spaces

Sunday 4 February Jump2It Trannolining Coachin

Trampolining Coaching for Learning Disabilities

The Wallace Centre 11:30pm-1:15pm Ages 5-17 years 10 spaces

Tuesday 6 February Family Focus Staffs **Jumbo Fun**

Newcastle-under-Lyme **4pm-6pm** Ages 0-11 years 5 spaces

Tuesday 6 February Bee Active Multi Sports

The Wallace Centre **5pm-7pm** Ages 4-12 years 8 spaces

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Wednesday 7 February Family Focus Staffs Jumbo Fun Newcastle-under-Lyme 4pm-6pm Ages 0-11 years

5 spaces

Wednesday 7 February Helping Angels Valentines Bakes

Hanley Park Lodge 4:30pm-6:30pm Ages 4-10 years 6 spaces



Wednesday 7 February Gifted Creative Music and Media

Wesley Hall **5pm-7pm** Ages 5-17 years 8 spaces



Thursday 8 February Family Focus Staffs Swimming Dimensions 4pm-6pm Ages 4-11 years 3 Spaces



Friday 9 February Action for Children Meal at Brewers Fayer Hanley 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces

Saturday 10 February Action for Children

Youth Club Our Space 10am-12pm Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces



Saturday 10 February Action for Children

Pony Experience with SCEAP

Great Eaves Farm **1:30pm-3:30pm** Ages 11-17 years 6 spaces

Sunday 11 February Jump2lt

Trampolining Coaching for Learning Disabilities The Wallace Centre

11:30pm-1:15pm Ages 5-17 years 10 spaces

Book core activities for February between 1-10 January and additional activities between 11-15

Sunday 11 February YMCA **Dance and Drama** YMCA 2pm-4pm Ages 10-17 years 12 spaces



Half Term

Monday 12 February Action for Children Brewers Fayer Breakfast and Soft Play

The Redwood 9am-11am Ages 5-11 years 8 Spaces

Monday 12 February Action for Children **McDonalds, Crazy Golf, Table** Tennis

Clubhouse, Newcastle. Meet at Our Space 1pm- 4pm Ages 8-17 years 6 spaces

Tuesday 13 February Helping Angels Valentines sensory play and lunch

Hanley Park Lodge 10:30am-12:30pm Ages 4-10 years 6 spaces



Tuesday 13 February Action for Children **Bowling and a Meal**

Festival Park 11am-1pm Ages 8-17 years 8 spaces

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Tuesday 13 February **Our Space Places at Our Space Family Fun Day with Alpaca Experience** The Brook Centre

11am-3pm Ages 0-17 years Up to 15 people چ چ

Tuesday 13 February **Helping Angels** Valentines meal out Hanley Park Lodge 12:30pm-3:30pm

Ages 10-17 years 8 spaces

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Tuesday 13 February Family Focus Staffs Tubing Festival Park 1pm-2:30pm

Ages 4-11 years 5 Spaces

Tuesday 13 February **Bee Active Holiday Club**

The Wallace Centre 2pm-5pm Ages 4-12 years 8 spaces

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Wednesday 14 February Action for Children **Middleport Pottery** 10am-12pm

Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces

Wednesday 14 February **Family Focus Staffs Bowling & Meal** Tenpin, Festival Park 10am -12pm Ages 8-15 years 5 Spaces

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Wednesday 14 February Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Wild Yoga

Westport Lake Visitor Centre 10:30am-12pm Ages 3-12 years 12 places

Wednesday 14 February

Family Focus Staffs Games & CraftsThe Bridge Centre 1pm-3pm

Ages 4-11 years 6 Spaces

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Wednesday 14 February Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Wildplay

Westport Lake Visitor Centre 1pm-3pm Ages 8-16 Years 6 spaces

Wednesday 14 February **Our Space**

Places at Our Space Family Session

The Brook Centre 1:30pm-4pm Ages 0-17 years Up to 15 people





Book core activities for February between 1-10 January and additional activities between 11-15

Thursday 15 February Family Focus Staffs **Bowling & Meal**

Tenpin, Festival Park **10am -12pm** Ages 8-15 years 6 Spaces



Thursday 15 February Helping Angels Cheeky Monkeys and Lunch Cheeky Monkeys 9:30am-11:30pm Ages 4-10 years



8 spaces

Thursday 15 February Helping Angels Valentines Disco

The Indi Club, Sneyd Green 12:30pm-2:30pm Ages 10-17 years 20 spaces



Thursday 15 February Jump2lt Trampolining Coaching for Learning Disabilities The Wallace Centre 12:45-2:30pm Ages 5-17 years 10 spaces

Thursday 15 February Our Space Places at Our Space Family Session for 0 to 5 year olds

The Brook Centre 1:30pm-4pm Ages 0-5 years Up to 15 people



Thursday 15 February Jump2lt Trampolining Coaching for Learning PMLD The Wallace Centre

3:50-5:35pm Ages 5-17 years 6 spaces

Friday 16 February Action for Children Crafts, Play and Games

Our Space **2pm-5pm** Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces



Saturday 17 February Gifted Creative Music and Media Wesley Hall 10am-12pm Ages 5-17 years 8 spaces

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Saturday 17 February Staffordshire Angling Fishing / Pond dipping

Sammies Pool **10am-2pm** Ages 7-17 years 8 spaces

Saturday 17 February Action for Children Hanley Museum, Shopping and Mcdonalds. 1pm-4pm Ages 8-17 years 6 Spaces

Saturday 17 February Action for Children Family Swim Jubilee2 3:45pm-4:45pm Ages 0-17 years 10 family spaces



Sunday 18 February Action for Children Cosford, Air Museum

Leaving from Our Space **10am-4pm** Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces

Half Term Ends

Tuesday 20 February Family Focus Staffs Swimming Dimensions 4pm-6pm Ages 0-11 years 3 spaces



Tuesday 20 February Bee Active Multi Sports

The Wallace Centre **5pm-7pm** Ages 4-12 years 8 spaces

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Wednesday 21 February Family Focus Staffs Fenton Fun Factory 4pm-6pm Ages 4-11 years 5 spaces

Book core activities for February between 1-10 January and additional activities between 11-15

Wednesday 21 February Helping Angels Cook & Eat

Hanley Park Lodge 4:30pm-7:30pm Ages 10-17 years 6 spaces



Friday 23 February **Action for Children Bowling and a Meal**

Festival Park 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces



Saturday 24 February **Action for Children** Youth Club, **Our Space** 10am-12pm Ages 8-17 years



8 Spaces

5 Spaces

Saturday 24 February **Family Focus Staffs Jumbo Fun & Play** Newcastle-under-Lyme 10am-12pm Ages 0-11 years

Saturday 24 February Staffordshire Angling **Fishing /Pond dipping**

Sammies Pool 10am-2pm Ages 7-17 years 8 spaces

Saturday 24 February **Action for Children Pony Experience with SCEAP** Great Eaves Farm

1:30pm-3:30pm Ages 11-17 years 6 spaces

Saturday 24 February

Action for Children Family Swim Jubilee2 3:45pm-4:45pm Ages 0-17 years 10 family spaces



Sunday 25 February **Action for Children**

Apple Tree Town 11:30am-1:30pm Ages 0-10 years 6 Spaces

Sunday 25 February Action for Children

Sensory and Play Chestnut Lodge 2pm-4pm Ages 0-12 years 6 Spaces



Tuesday 27 February Family Focus Staffs

Just Kidding Hanley 3:30pm-5:30pm

Ages 0-11 years 5 Spaces

Wednesday 28 February

Family Focus Staffs **Bowling & Meal** Tenpin, Festival Park 4pm-6pm Ages 8-15 years 5 spaces Ġ,



March 2024

Book core activities for March between 1-10 February and additional activities between 11-15

Saturday 2 March Our Space Aiming High Family Session The Brook Centre 9:30am-12pm Ages 0-17 years Up to 50 people

Saturday 2 March Action for Children **Green door Bikes and play**

Westport Lake **10am-12pm** Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces



Saturday 2 March Action for Children Explore and Play

Westport Lake 12:30pm-3pm Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces



Sunday 3 March Jump2lt Trampolining Coaching for Learning Disabilities The Wallace Centre 11:30pm-1:15pm Ages 5-17 years 10 spaces

Sunday 3 March YMCA Dance and Drama YMCA 2pm-4pm

Ages 10-17 years 12 spaces

Tuesday 5 March Family Focus Staffs Bowling & Meal Tenpin, Festival Park 4pm-6pm Ages 4-11 years 5 Spaces

Tuesday 5 March Bee Active Multi Sports The Wallace Centre 5pm-7pm Ages 4-12 years 8 spaces

Wednesday 6 March Family Focus Staffs **Swimming**

Dimensions **4pm-6pm** Ages 8-15 years 3 Spaces **C**

Wednesday 6 March Helping Angels Tea Club and Sensory Play

Wednesday 6 March Gifted Creative Music and Media

Wesley Hall **5pm-7pm** Ages 5-17 years 8 spaces • Friday 8 March Action for Children Pizza Hut Festival Park 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 years 8 spaces

Saturday 9 March Action for Children Youth Club Our Space 10am-12pm

Ages 8-17 Years 8 Spaces

Saturday 9 March

Family Focus Staffs Swimming Dimensions 10am-12pm Ages 4-11 years 3 spaces C

Saturday 9 March Staffordshire Angling

Fishing / Pond dipping Sammies Pool 10am-2pm Ages 7-17 years 8 spaces

Saturday 9 March

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Wildplay

Westport Lake Visitor Centre **10am-1pm** Ages 8-16 Years 6 spaces



March 2024

Book core activities for March between 1-10 February and additional activities between 11-15

Saturday 9 March **Action for Children**

Pony Experience with SCEAP Great Eaves Farm 1:30pm-3:30pm Ages 11-17 years 6 spaces

Sunday 10 March Action for Children **Apple Tree Town**

11:30am-1:30pm Ages 0-10 years 6 Spaces

Sunday 10 March Action for Children **Sensory and Play**

Chestnut Lodge 2pm-4pm Ages 0-12 years 5 Spaces ĠĠ

Tuesday 12 March Family Focus Staffs **Bowling & Meal**

Tenpin, Festival Park 4pm-6pm Ages 4-11 years 6 Spaces Ġ

Tuesday 12 March Action for Children **Bowling and Pizza**

Festival Park 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces Ġ,

Wednesday 13 March Family Focus Staffs Swimming

Dimensions 4pm-6pm Ages 8-15 years 3 Spaces ዼ፞ዼ፟ 16

Saturday 16 March Gifted **Creative Music and Media** Wesley Hall 10am-12pm Ages 5-17 years 8 spaces

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Saturday 16 March **Action for Children Family Swim** Jubilee2

3:45-4:45pm Ages 0-17 years 10 family spaces ĠĠ

Sunday 17 March **Our Space Places at Our Space Family** Fun Day with Mandala Hoops session The Brook Centre 11am-3pm Ages 0-17 years Up to 15 people رهم رهم

Sunday 17 March Jump2lt **Trampolining Coaching for Learning Disabilities**

The Wallace Centre 11:30pm-1:15pm Ages 5-17 years 10 spaces

Sunday 17 March Action for Children **Bouncy Castle and Games**

The Wallace Centre 2pm-4pm Ages 5-12 years 8 Spaces

Tuesday 19 March Family Focus Staffs Swimmina Dimensions 4pm-6pm Ages 4-11 years 3 Spaces ٹے ک

Tuesday 19 March Bee Active Multi Sports

The Wallace Centre 5pm-7pm Ages 4-12 years 8 spaces Ġ,

Wednesday 20 March **Family Focus Staffs**

Bowling & Meal Tenpin, Festival Park 4pm-6pm Ages 8-15 years 6 Spaces Ġ,

Wednesday 20 March

Helping Angels Tea Club and Park Play

Hanley Park Lodge 4:30-7:30pm Ages 10-17 years 6 spaces <u>ب</u>ه به

Friday 22 March **Action for Children**

Bowling and a Meal Festival Park 5pm-7pm Ages 8-17 years 8 Spaces Ġ.



March 2024

Book core activities for March between 1-10 February and additional activities between 11-15

Saturday 23 March Action for Children Jumbo, Soft play Newcastle-under-Lyme

10am-12pm Ages 0-11 years 5 Spaces

Saturday 23 March Staffordshire Angling Fishing / Pond dipping

Sammies Pool **10am-2pm** Ages 7-17 years 8 spaces

Saturday 23 March Action for Children Pony Experience with SCEAP Great Eaves Farm 1:30pm-3:30pm

Ages 11-17 years 6 spaces

Saturday 23 March Staffordshire Wildlife Trust **Wildfamilies**

Westport Lake Visitor Centre **2pm-4pm** Ages 0-17 years 14 spaces Saturday 23 March Action for Children Family Swim Jubilee2 3:45pm-4:45pm Ages 0-17 years 10 family spaces \mathring{C}

Saturday 23 March Our Space Places at Our Space Family Disco

The Brook Centre **6pm-8:30pm** Ages 0-17 years Up to 15 people **(**)



Important information

Activity addresses

Action for Children – Sensory Sessions

Church Street, Chesterton, Newcastle, ST5 7HJ

Family Focus

The Bridge Centre, Birches Head Road, ST2 8DD Tel: 07726 721 433

Dimensions Leisure Centre

Scotia Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 4G

Gifted

Wesley Hall, Noblett Road, Sneyd Green, ST1 6HR Tel: 07970 770 990

Helping Angels

Hanley Park Lodge, Cleveland Raod, Hanley, ST14DX

Jump2It Coaching

The Wallace Centre, Abbots Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST2 8DU Tel: 07732 814 510

Jubilee 2, Swimming Baths

80 Brunswick Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, ST5 1HG

Our Space

The Brook Centre, Stanier Street Newcastle, ST5 2SU Tel: 01782 436 758

SCEAP

Great Eaves Farm Eaves Lane, Bucknall, ST2 8LY

Staffordshire Angling

Sammie's Pool, Fenpark Road, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 2PD (off Sloane Way ST4 3QZ)

Staffordshire Wildlife

Westport Lake Visitor Centre, Westport Lake Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 4RZ Tel: 01782 826 985

Stoke City Community Trust

Bet365 Stadium, Stanley Matthews Way, Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 4EG

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Harding Rd, Stoke-on-Trent ST1 3AE

Other venues

Kilnworx Climbing Centre Wycliffe Hall, Wycliffe St, Burslem Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 3E

Just Kidding Hanley

Etruria Road, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 5NH

Ormiston Horizon Academy

Turnhurst Road, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 6JZ Fenton Manor Sports Complex City Road, Fenton,

Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 2RR

Westfield Children's Centre

Buccleuch Road, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, ST3 4RF

Blurton Children's Centre

Oakwood Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST3 3AR

Jumbo Fun and Play 9 Liverpool Road, Newcastle under Lyme, ST5 2AU

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The important details

If you can't make it

Please give us at least 24 hours' notice if you can't make an activity. The sooner you let us know, the sooner we can offer a place to another child.

If you don't turn up for three sessions in three months (without telling us beforehand), we may, sadly, not be able to offer you places in the future. We completely understand there may be times when you won't be able to let us know in advance, like emergency appointments or your child being ill. Please get in touch within 48 hours of the activity finishing.

Non-payment

As well as core activities, you can book extra sessions. The price of these varies. Transport to and from an activity also costs extra. You'll need to pay for extra activities and any transport by the end of each month. We'll tell you how much this is before you book. If you want to talk about payments, please call the service coordinator on 01782 982250.

Bullying, harassment and abuse

We take a zero-tolerance approach to physical or verbal bullying, harassment and abuse. Anyone who abuses Action for Children staff or volunteers risks ruining the activity programme for other families. stressful, and hope that our short break activities will help. Sadly, there have been times when a parent or carer has got frustrated or angry on the phone. We'll always try to help, but there may be occasions when we won't be able to. Our staff will put the phone down and ask that a parent or carer calls back when they're feeling calmer.

Parents and/or carers staying with their children at activities

As a rule, we suggest that parents and/or carers don't stay with their children at our activities. The aim of the programme is to help children pick up new skills and build independence. We also want to give you a break. We do understand that some children need help to settle in, though, and will happily talk to you about a short-term plan. You can speak to the service coordinator to find out more. We also run activities for the whole family to enjoy together.

Children coming for the first time

We want every child to have a brilliant time and feel safe. We've introduced a policy for children who are new to the programme. A child's first two sessions are limited to between two and three hours, and will take place near your home. This means we can get your support if needed. We'll explain this when you book for the first time.

We know that caring for children can be

Get in touch

Booking line

01782 982250 (Monday to Friday, 10am-4pm)

Out of hours

To inform us that your child is unable to attend an activity or your transport has not arrived call the number above to hear the out of hours number.

Booking email address - web.stokeontrent@actionforchildren.org.uk

Action for Children office address - The Brook Centre, Stanier Street, Newcastle, ST5 2SU.

Please visit - Services.actionforchildren.org.uk/SAH for more information.



The legal bit

When your child starts using an Action for Children project – or takes part in any of our activities – we record their personal data. Depending on the type of project, this might include sensitive information. This will always be kept safe and secure.

We'll ask you for your consent first. We want you to feel happy about what you've given us, understand what it might be used for and who it might be shared with. Because we have a duty to protect children and young people, we'll share information with other organisations to keep a child (or someone else) safe.

Data protection

Action for Children works within legal data protection guidelines. We support your right to privacy and to see, change and challenge information we hold about you.

We also have our own rules about how your information is stored and used. Lots of the services that Action for Children runs are paid for by other organisations, including both local and national government. If this is the case, the data you give us will also be shared with that organisation.

Action for Children and the organisations we work with may jointly 'control' the data. In some cases, one organisation will control the data. A data controller is the organisation (or organisations) responsible for making sure your information is dealt with in the right way. The data controller depends on the project or service you use.

The data controller is legally responsible for what they do with your information. Action for Children is responsible for what we do with your personal information.

What we do with your information

We need your information to help us run high quality services for children, young people and their families. We keep this information either in an electronic or a paper file.

The file contains details about you and the important people in your life. This includes anyone who lives with you, as well as social workers, teachers and doctors.

You can ask to see your information at any time, just ask a member of the team.

A senior manager and the staff who are working with you look after your file. This file is always stored somewhere secure. Other managers and staff may monitor (audit) your file.

We keep your file for as long as we need to, by law. The length of time we keep your file depends on the service you're using.

Find out more

If you'd like more information, please speak to someone at Stoke Aiming High or get in touch with our Information Governance Officer. You can call 01923 361 500 or visit: www.actionforchildren.org.uk

You can read about the Data Protection Act and your rights on the Information Commissioner's website: www.ico.gov.uk

Action for Children isn't responsible for the content of external websites.

Safe and happy childhood

Action for Children protects and supports children and young people, providing practical and emotional care and support, ensuring their voices are heard, and campaigning to bring lasting improvements to their lives.

Find out more

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