

Short Breaks Newsletter

News, Updates and Activities for Children with Disabilities and their Families in Telford



April 2025



Saturday Club Highlights: A Season of Fun, Learning, and Growth: As our third month begins, we're proud to look back at a fantastic start to the club filled with creativity, learning, and plenty of fun! Our Saturday Club brought children together to try new activities, build friendships, and enjoy memorable activities in a safe and supportive space.

Activities That Inspired Creativity and Confidence: The children took part in a wide range of engaging activities designed to keep them active and spark their imagination. Every session was packed with excitement, from engaging sports and creative crafts to fun messy play sessions.

Sports: Children stayed active with a variety of sports, improving their coordination and teamwork. A highlight was the basketball session, where they practiced throwing and catching before using the nets to score points. Some attendees showcased incredible skills, making for an exciting and competitive experience!

Arts and Crafts: Creativity flourished during the arts and crafts sessions. Children enjoyed face mask painting and paper plate decorating, bringing their own unique designs to life.

Messy Play: Messy play was a huge hit, especially the shaving foam mountains activity. Children loved getting their hands messy and experimenting with textures, creating fun and imaginative foam structures.

Celebrating Achievements: We're incredibly proud of every child who participated. Many overcame personal challenges, and we want to highlight some key achievements:

- Engaging in Group Activities – Some children who were initially hesitant to join in found the confidence to participate in group games, forming new friendships
- Sports Excellence – Several attendees demonstrated outstanding skill in basketball, particularly in aiming and successfully scoring into the hoop.
- Creative Exploration – Messy play encouraged children to collaborate in building large shaving foam mountains, experimenting with different textures and sharing imaginative ideas.

Genius £5 PER SESSION
FOR ICAN2 MEMBERS

SATURDAY SPORTS & LEISURE CLUB

A WEEKLY SPORTS & LEISURE PROGRAMME FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

WHERE: SOUTHALL SCHOOL, TELFORD, TF43PX
WHEN: 10AM TO 1PM DATES: COMING SOON
AGES: 5 TO 17 YEAR OLDS

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Good news—Southall Sports Hall now have a changing bed and a hoist is being fitted shortly, funded by Telford and Wrekin Council.

Holiday Activities in Telford

Happy Healthy Active Holidays runs holiday clubs during the Easter, Summer and Christmas school holidays. There are funded spaces available to children in reception through to year 11 who receive benefit-related free school meals. It won't cost anything to attend. Each club will have a range of fun activities such as sports, cooking, dance, music, arts and crafts, and a nutritious meal each day.

If you would like to register, you can do so at: hhah.telford.gov.uk. There are filters on the site for you to see which are SEND specific, SEND inclusive and/or wheelchair accessible.

If you have any queries, please email holidayactivityhub@telford.gov.uk

Activities over the Easter holidays are listed below:

Provider	Postcode	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd	23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th
All 4 Trust - Park Lane	TF1 6NA			9-1			9-1								9-1	9-1	
All 4 Trust - Arleston Community Centre	TF1 2AB					9-1						9-1			9-1		
All 4 Trust - Ketley	TF1 5AN				9-1							9-1					
All 4 Trust - Sutton Hill	TF7 5DL				10-2	10-2						10-2	10-2				
All 4 Trust - Sutton Hill Youth	TF7 4HG				10-2	10-2						10-2	10-2				
Active Future - Lightmoor Primary	TF1 2TU			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
Active Future - Meadows Primary	TF1 5HF			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
Active Future - Randlay Parish Halls	TF3 2HL											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
AFC Telford	TF1 2TU			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
Arthog Outreach	TF1 2JA			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
Casey's	TF2 9TU				8:30-4:30							8:30-4:30					
CEIA	TF1 2AB			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
Charlton School	TF1 3FA			10-2	10-2	10-2											
	TF7 5XH																
Cyclones - Jess Clarke Abdab/Oakengates Leisure	TF2 7AB				10-4	10-4											
	TF7 5XH																
Cyclones - Abdab/Oakengates Leisure	TF2 7AB											10-4	10-4				
Cyclones - John Randall	TF7 4DS			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
Cyclones - Lantern Academy	TF2 0AZ											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
Early Milestones Nursery	TF1 6NA			8-12	8-12	8-12	8-12										
Early Milestones Nursery Older prov	TF1 6NA			12-4	12-4	12-4	12-4										
Educating Kids Outdoors	TF11 9EW											10:30-4	10:30-4	10:30-4	10:30-4		
Educating Kids Outdoors Older Cohort	TF11 9EW													10:30-4	10:30-4		
SBPC Funzone - Grange park/Sambook	TF3 1ET			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
SBPC Funzone - Brookside	TF3 1LP											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
Genius Tuition - Donnington	TF1 6NA											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
SBPC Funzone - Brookside	TF3 1LP											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
Genius Tuition - Donnington	TF1 6NA											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
Genius Tuition - Hadley methodist hall	TF1 6PW											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
Genius Tuition - John Fletcher	TF7 5DL											10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2		
Genius Tuition - Woodlands	TF7 5HX			10-2	10-2	10-2	10-2										
Genius Tuition - Southall	TF4 3PX				10-2	10-2	9-5										
Great Dawley Town Council	TF4 3JR			9:30-12:30	9:30-12:30		9:30-12:30								9:30-12		
Great Dawley Town Council Youth	TF4 3JR			5:30-7			3:15-5								3:15-5		
Halesfield Nurseries	TF7 4QX			8-4	8-4									12-2			
Lola's Kitchen	TF1 3HA				2-6		2-6					2-6		2-6			
Lyndsey Handy	TF7 5DJ			8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30			8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30		
Newdale Primary	TF3 5HA			9-3:30	9-3:30	9-3:30	9-3:30				8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30		
Oakengates Town Council/The Wakes	TF2 6EP					12:30-2:30	12:30-2:30							12:30-2:30	12:30-2:30		
PODS	TF2 9TU			10-12 & 1-3		11-2								8:30-4			
School of Coding - Haberdasher Adams	TF10 7BD			10:30-3:30	10:30-3:30	10:30-3:30	10:30-3:30										
SYA	TF3 1LP			12-2	12-2	9-5											
The Embrace Group - Holmer Lake	TF3 1LD					8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30										
The Embrace Group - Priorslee Academy	TF2 9RS												8:30-4:30	8:30-4:30			
The Embrace Group - Wrockwardine Wood	TF2 7HG				10-2	10-2							10-2	10-2			
Windmill Primary	TF3 1LG			9-3:30	9-3:30												
Wrekin Forest School	TF6 6EE		10-3										9-4		9-4		
Wrekin Forest School SEND	TF6 6EE																2-4:30
Urban Games Wrestling - Halesfield 8	TF7 4QN				11:30-2:30							11:30-2:30					
	TF7 5XH																
Urban Games/4 all Foundation Multi sport	TF2 7AB	4-7															4-7

In addition to the Sports and Leisure Club, Genius Tuition will be delivering the 2025 Specialist Playscheme. The playscheme runs for 4 weeks of the summer holidays and places are allocated to children open to the Children with Disabilities Team dependent on their needs. Further information will be shared shortly.

Date and Time	Activity	Location	Details
Monday			
Every Week—10-11.30am	PODS Sensory Session	PODS Hub, 1 Hawksworth Road, Central Park, Telford, TF2 9TU	To book PODS activities, visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parents-Opening-Doors-PODS . For any queries, contact support@podstelford.org
Every Week—3.45-4.45pm	PODS Sensory Session		
Every Week—4-5pm	PODS Stop Motion		
Every Week—4-5.30pm	Soft Play for Juniors	Telford Ice Rink, International way, Telford TF3 4JQ	To book, visit https://www.telfordicerink.co.uk/info/5/soft-play
Every Week—6-8pm	Soft Play for Seniors		
Every Week—11.15-12.15pm	Children's Autism Hub Coffee and Chat	Hazeldine House, Central Square, Telford TF3 4JL	To book, contact 01952260062 or email childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk
Tuesday			
Every Week—3.45-4.45pm	PODS Sensory Sessions	PODS Hub, 1 Hawksworth Road, Central Park, Telford, TF2 9TU	To book PODS activities, visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parents-Opening-Doors-PODS . For any queries, contact support@podstelford.org
Every Week—4-5pm	PODS Minecraft		
Every Week—4-6pm	Pirates and Princesses Soft Play SEND Session	Unit 17, Cedar Court, Halesfield 17, Telford TF7 4PF	To book, call 01952582382
Every Week—6-7pm	Airea 51 SEND Session	Airea 51, Stafford Park 12, Telford, TF3 3BJ	To book, visit https://www.visittelford.co.uk/things-to-do/airea51-p1418561
Every Week—4-5pm	Challenging Perceptions Youth Wellbeing Group	Park Lane Centre, Woodside, TF7 5QZ	To book, call 01952683700.
Every Week—3.30-4.30pm	4 All Boxing	104-106 Southgate, Telford TF7 4HG	No booking required.
Wednesday			
Every Week—3.45-4.45pm	PODS Sensory Session	PODS Hub, 1 Hawksworth Road, Central Park, Telford, TF2 9TU	To book PODS activities, visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parents-Opening-Doors-PODS . For any queries, contact support@podstelford.org
Every Week—4-5pm	PODS Lego		
Every Week—6-7pm	Airea 51 SEND Session	Airea 51, Stafford Park 12, Telford, TF3 3BJ	To book, visit https://www.visittelford.co.uk/things-to-do/airea51-p1418561
Every Week—4-5pm	4 All Dodgeball	104-106 Southgate, Telford TF7 4HG	No booking required.

If you would like to discuss your child's needs or accessibility requirements, please contact the activity provider on the details above ahead of the session to avoid disappointment.

Date and Time	Activity	Location	Details
Thursday			
Every Week—4-5pm	PODS Activity Sessions	PODS Hub, 1 Hawksworth Road, Central Park, Telford, TF2 9TU	To book PODS activities, visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parents-Opening-Doors-PODS . For any queries, contact support@podstelford.org
Every Week—10.30-1.30pm	Special Needs Activity Centre	7 Downemead, Hollinswood, Telford, TF3 2EW	For more information, please visit SNAC on Facebook.
First Thursday of Month—4.30pm	Children's Autism Hub Dugout 11-18yrs	Hazeldine House, Central Square, Telford TF3 4JL	To book, contact 01952260062 or email childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk
Friday			
Every Week—1-2pm	PODS Sensory Sessions	PODS Hub, 1 Hawksworth Road, Central Park, Telford, TF2 9TU	To book PODS activities, visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parents-Opening-Doors-PODS . For any queries, contact support@podstelford.org
Every Week—10-12pm	Ice Rink SEND Session	Telford Ice Rink, International way, Telford TF3 4JQ	To book, visit https://www.telfordicerink.co.uk/info/5/soft-play
Every Week—5-6pm	Ice Rink SEND Session		
Third Friday of Month —7pm	Funky Friday Inclusive Disco 15+	The Navy Club, Bellman's Yard. Newport, TF10 7AJ	Entry is by pre-booked ticket only. See Facebook page Funky Friday Inclusive Disco for booking details.
Every Week—10-11am	Challenging Perceptions Under 5's Parents and Toddlers	Park Lane Centre, Woodside, TF7 5QZ	To book, call 01952683700.
Saturday			
Every Week—2.30-3pm	Chance to Dance SEND Session	Randlay Avenue, Telford, TF3 2LH	To book, call 07792300692.
Every Week—10-11am	PODS Activity Session	PODS Hub, 1 Hawksworth Road, Central Park, Telford, TF2 9TU	To book PODS activities, visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parents-Opening-Doors-PODS . For any queries, contact support@podstelford.org
Sunday			
Every Week—12.15-1.30pm	SEND Swimming	Abraham Darby Leisure Centre, Ironbridge Rd, Telford, TF7 5HX	To view full timetable, visit https://www.telfordandwrekinleisure.co.uk/info/4/swimming
Every Week—5-6pm	Wrekin SEND Swimming Club	Wellington Leisure Centre, Tan Bank, Wellington, Telford TF1 1LX	For more information, search Wrekin Special Swimming Club on Facebook or call 07530465472.