



# SEND

## Parent carer newsletter



SEND Newsletter- 10 May 2024

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## Free Training- Phonics

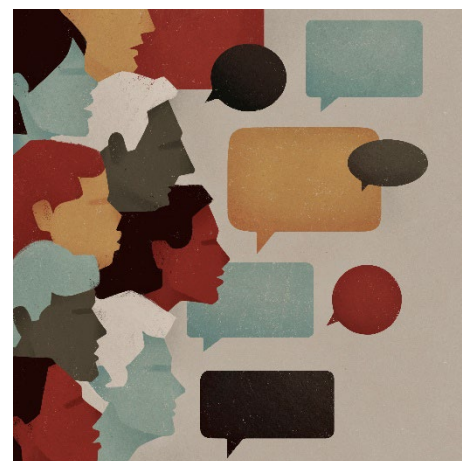
The foundations of Phonics workshop is a 90 minute twilight session that helps school staff to support children in the physical production of speech sounds. This is compatible with packages such as RWI, Jollyphonics, Little Wandle etc.

This is ideal for EYFS and KS1 teachers and support staff.

There are 15 free places available per school.

You will learn practical tips and strategies.

Receive training materials and CPD certificate for attendees.



**To book your free workshop please email us at [hello@new-options.co.uk](mailto:hello@new-options.co.uk).**

**[Home](#) | [New Options Speech and Language](#) | [Hull \(new-options.co.uk\)](#)**

## Free Weekly Activity Group at Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre

From 27 March Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre will host a free weekly activity group for adults with additional needs.

Wednesdays at 10am-12pm.

No booking required.

For more information contact [Alistair.eachus@nelincs.gov.uk](mailto:Alistair.eachus@nelincs.gov.uk).

## FREE WEEKLY ACTIVITY GROUP

We host a free, weekly activity group for adults with additional needs at the Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre.

**Wednesdays at 10am - 12pm**  
Starting on the 27th of March 2024



If you want more information get in touch with us at [Alistair.Eachus@nelincs.gov.uk](mailto:Alistair.Eachus@nelincs.gov.uk)



## Meet our new Speech and Language Therapists

The Local Authority are really pleased to be able to share with the you the details of the Speech and Language Therapists who have been commissioned to support the hospital team until 31 March 2025.

Nicky and Lisa will be working through new assessments and referrals that are coming in where a child currently attends a mainstream school and either already has an EHCP, or is in the process of being assessed for an EHCP. Families will have received a letter from the hospital, where a child is being transferred from the hospital waiting list to New Options. Nicky and Lisa will be assessing and working with children in their education setting, as well as providing advice and guidance to families and some training opportunities for education staff as well.

Rachel Stewart joins us from Key Communicators until September, who is supporting the Local Authority and ICB with understanding our future needs of Speech and Language capacity across North East Lincolnshire. Rachel will be speaking to a range of different groups of professionals and families to understand current experiences, and access to appropriate support in order to help her make some recommendations back to leaders at the Local Authority and in health.

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## Welcome to our new Speech and Language Therapists'

Nicky founded NEW Options- Speech & Language Therapy Solutions in 2013. Nicky specialises in working with children with language delays and disorders, speech sound delays and disorders, and stammering.

Nicky is passionate about workforce development, and is committed to offering effective and engaging training to settings.

<https://www.new-options.co.uk/>



**Nicky West**

Speech and Language  
Therapy Consultant

Lisa gained her OCR Level 3 Diploma in Specialist Support for Teaching and Learning in Schools specialising in Supporting Children's Speech, Language and Communication in 2013.

She is an Associate Member of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists.

Lisa joined NEW Options in 2017 and has been developing her interest in Neurodiversity.



**Lisa Tidder**

Speech and Language  
Therapy Assistant

### The team will:

- Assess children
- Deliver face to face speech therapy in setting
- Provide staff training
- Offer home therapy packs for families





## Rachel Stewart

Speech, language and communication review

**I'm Rachel Stewart, a specialist speech and language therapist at Key Communicators.**

**I'm currently carrying out a review of all speech, language and communication interventions available to children and young people in NEL.**

**I have worked as a speech and language therapist for the last 6 years and currently specialise in Autism assessment, Stammering and Selective Mutism.**

**I am registered with the Health and Care Professions Council and Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists.**

**My aim as part of this review is to offer objective reporting on what supports and provisions are already in place for children and young people with speech, language, and communication needs, identify what is working well, highlight any gaps or areas of concern and then make recommendations based on my findings.**

<https://sendlocaloffer.nelincs.gov.uk/>

## Deaf Awareness Week

In celebration of Deaf Awareness Week 2024 the Educational Team for Hearing and Vision had an exhibition at Cleethorpes Library. It featured art from some of the children that they support, deaf role models in popular culture, a display featuring technology used today and the careers that some people who are deaf chose to pursue.

Did you know that the library has lots of books for children featuring deaf characters as well as other books for children and adults on SEND.

Look for this special sticker that marks books on wellbeing and SEND.

Want to know more? This resource is an introduction to Deaf Awareness: [National Deaf Children's Society: Introduction to Deaf Awareness – Overview \(ndcs.org.uk\)](https://www.ndcs.org.uk/)-



## How can Ofsted improve?

Ofsted are seeking young people's views on their work inspecting Children's Services.

Do you work with families or support a young person? Could you please encourage and support them to complete this short, anonymous consultation- [Ofsted – Children's Consultation \(smartsurvey.co.uk\) \(opens in new tab\)](https://smartsurvey.co.uk)

There is also a link for adults who are affected in any way by Ofsted. [The Big Listen \(smartsurvey.co.uk\) \(opens in new tab\)](https://smartsurvey.co.uk)

The overall link for it is: [Ofsted Big Listen – GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\) \(opens in new tab\)](https://www.gov.uk)

## Thank you for helping us develop our short breaks offer

The Short Breaks Team want to extend a big thank you to everyone who responded to their recent survey that ended at the end of last month. The information given by those who already access short breaks or who are eligible is incredibly valuable. It helps us to understand what is working well and what can be improved. It also gave us direct insight into the kinds of short breaks that were most preferred by families and children and young people with SEND.

**Thank**  
**You**

As a result of the survey the team will be working to further develop the short breaks offer on the information you have provided.

## Kids eat cheap or free

Find places that kids can eat cheap or free over the holidays. [Places Kids Eat Free in the Summer Holidays 2024 \(moneysavingcentral.co.uk\)](https://www.moneysavingcentral.co.uk/places-kids-eat-free-in-the-summer-holidays-2024)



**PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING MAY HALF TERM 2024**  
moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



**LAS IGUANAS**  
Join 'My Las Iguanas' via the App & Niños eat free with every adult main

**ASDA**  
Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

**SAINSBURYS CAFES**  
Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main, From 11:30am every day.

**PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**  
Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

**THE REAL GREEK**  
Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

**TGI FRIDAYS**  
Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase an adult's main meal (App needed)

**PUREZZA**  
Children under the age of 10 get free pizza at Purezza with every adult meal purchased

**TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN**  
Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

**SIZZLING PUBS**  
Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

**BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**  
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

**PRETO**  
Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

**MORRISONS**  
Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

**GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS**  
Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

**YO! SUSHI**  
From Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024, kids eat free all day at YO! Sushi (minimum adult spend £10).

**WHITBREAD INNS**  
Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

**BELLA ITALIA**  
Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

**BILLS**  
Two kids can eat free ALL DAY (Weekdays) from Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024, with one adult main dish.

**DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES**  
At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

**TABLE TABLE**  
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

**IKEA**  
Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

**HUNGRY HORSE**  
Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

**FUTURE INNS**  
Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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## Annual Health Checks

Learning Disability Annual Health Checks are vital for young people aged 14+ and adults with learning disabilities as statistics show they have significantly poorer health than their non-disabled peers.

Evidence suggests annual health checks are an effective way to identify previously unrecognised health needs.

Concerns are that some people on their GP's Learning Disability register have not had their annual health check in the last 12 months.

Benefits of the LD Health Check:

- Young people and their parents/carers will get to know their doctor or nurse better and feel confident going to the surgery.
- Any reasonable adjustments necessary can be recorded on the summary care record
- The doctor or nurse will be able to spot any health problems sooner and provide treatment quicker.
- Young people and their parents/carers can ask questions about their health and tell their doctor or nurse how they are feeling.

### [NHS England » Annual health checks](#)

If you are aged 14 or over and are on your GP's Learning Disability Register you should have a free health check every year. It's important to do this even if you are well as it is an important part of learning to become independent, can help you become more familiar and comfortable with the process, and asking questions. Also, your GP may be able to spot symptoms or issues that you may not be aware of.

**Annual Health Check Awareness training** is open to any member of staff, carers, and **family members** who provide support to a person with a learning disability.

We are working in partnership to increase the uptake of Annual Health Checks and Health Action Plans for people with a learning disability.

Book your place:

Monday	20 May 2024	1.30pm to 3.00pm
<a href="#">Book Annual Health Check Awareness Training (accessplanit.com)</a>		
Monday	17 June 2024	10.00am to 11.30am
<a href="#">Book Annual Health Check Awareness Training (accessplanit.com)</a>		

## SEN Kids Activity Sessions

### Fuzzy Ed

Please Join us on the 14th May for our very first SEN session! These will be every Tuesday(including school holidays 10-12pm

This includes a drink & a snack.

Pop your child's name below to book on.



### **Parkour**

SEN SESSIONS will be running EVERY FRIDAY from now on.

4:30-5:30pm & 6:00-7:00pm

Spaces will be limited so booking each week is essential.

These classes are capped at 6 people per class to ensure a calm and quieter environment in which each individual's specific needs can be met. Classes will vary from challenge based to game based structure and remain dedicated to skill development. Our safe and inclusive space will allow your child the opportunity to develop the fundamentals of parkour and their ability to express themselves through movement. Sessions are led by our senior coaches; Callum Wright, who has multiple years of experience coaching and practicing parkour as well as being a full time SEN wellbeing mentor with training in understanding Autism, PDA and ADHD, Neil Hutson and Jake Harris who each have over a decade and a half coaching experience and founded the facility. Everyone of us is trained in safeguarding, child protection and are fully DBS checked.

Parents are welcomed to stay during the sessions should they wish.

**[Team Reality Parkour Facebook](#)**



# SEN SESSIONS

We welcome children and their families with additional needs to come give parkour a go. Our coaches have vast experience through neuro affirming coaching

## Our Services

- Explore movement
- Build Confidence
- Experienced coaches
- Autism friendly
- Quiet Environment



**BOOK NOW**

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[Facebook.com/learnparkour](https://www.facebook.com/learnparkour)

[www.teamreality.co.uk](http://www.teamreality.co.uk)

## Magic Castle

14th May, 11th June and 16th July.

Book via phone: 01472 291300

Join our SEN session

**14TH MAY**

- Quiet session
- £3.75 per child
- £1 per adult
- 5:30pm - 7:00pm

**BOOK NOW**

 01472 291300

## Do you know about Disability Liaison Nurses?

Disability Liaison Nurses help support people with learning disabilities and Autism, and their families and carers, across the hospitals. They work clinically with patients every day, as well as ensuring that staff are given advice and support so that reasonable adjustments can be made to patient care. They play a critical role in raising the profile and status of people with learning disabilities and Autism when attending hospital appointments.

Disability Liaison Nurses can help with:

- Communication advice
- Pre-admission and discharge planning
- Desensitisation planning
- Carer support and advice
- Facilitation of any patient appointment
- Accessible information development
- Advice and support or reasonable adjustments

There are Disability Liaison Nurses at the Diana Princess of Wales Hospital in Grimsby and at Scunthorpe General Hospital. Their working hours are Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 4.30pm.

For more information please visit the website below:

[Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust | Learning Disabilities \(nlg.nhs.uk\)](https://nlg.nhs.uk)

## YPAG SEND Award Winners

On Thursday 25 April 2024 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Young People's Advisory Group members came together with special guests from around the borough to pick the winners of the 2024 SEND Award Ceremony.

Special Guests included Vicky Birkwood, Project Lead, Education & Inclusion, North East Lincolnshire Council, NEL Parent Carer Forum (NELPCF) representative Kayleigh Broderick, Jason Land, Disability & Inclusion Lead at Grimsby Town Foundation.

Attendees also took a tour of the Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre lead by former Skipper Dennis Avery. Dennis is thought to be the longest serving "Skipper" of the Ross Tiger, being the regular captain of the ship from 1975 until 1983.

Winners will also be contacted and invited to the SEND Award Ceremony on Tuesday 9 July at Grimsby Town Hall to accept their award.

See the winners and nominee's: [NELC SEND Local Offer | SEND Awards – NELC SEND Local Offer \(nelincs.gov.uk\)](#)

Check out the video's from last years winners.

[2023 SEND Awards- Student Personality of the Year Award winner \(youtube.com\)](#)

## Together for Childhood

Make sure to follow Together 4 Childhood on Facebook for activities for children and families, parent coffee drop-ins, community events and more.

Follow: [Together4Childhood Facebook](#)

## SENCo Network- What did our SENCo's have to say?

We recently held one of our regular SENCo network sessions.

Listen to what some of our local SENCo's had to say about our SEND provision and how we are developing it.

[SENCo's give their views on our current offer for SEND \(youtube.com\)](#)

## SEND Coffee morning cancelled

Abi Flemings SEND drop-in on Monday 3 June from 9:30-11:30 at Central Children's Centre is cancelled.

Her coffee mornings will continue as usual during term time.

Visit the SEND Local Offer Events and Training page for more like this. [NELC SEND Local Offer | Events from October 11 – June 28 – NELC SEND Local Offer \(nelincs.gov.uk\)](#)



## Preparing for adulthood- Ask Annie



Email: [askannie@nelincs.gov.uk](mailto:askannie@nelincs.gov.uk)

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Text: **07595 122306**

Are you a young person with Special Educational Needs?

Do you have any questions about post 16 education, training and employment or do you want to know more about preparing for adulthood?

You can always "Ask Annie" about...

- **Planning for the future**
- **Employment**
- **Transport**
- **Leaving school & starting college**
- **Daytime activities**

- Health
- Training & work experience
- Living independently

Find out more about preparing for adulthood and transitions. [NELC SEND Local Offer | Preparing for adulthood \(nelincs.gov.uk\)](#)

## Your Parent Carer Forum- NELPCF

NELPCF is a collective group of parents passionate about driving positive change, we have come together to rebuild a Parent Carer Forum. Our aim is to be a true representation of the voices of parent carers of children with additional needs and disabilities. We strive to have a positive impact on the planning and provision of services and decision making for the families of North East Lincolnshire- now, and in the future.



Find out more about the forum and how to get involved by visiting their Facebook [North East Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum | Grimsby | Facebook-](#), or the [NELPCF website-](#) .

## SENDIASS

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SENDIASS provide support for SEND, across education, health and social care.



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Email- [ask@nelsendiass.org.uk](mailto:ask@nelsendiass.org.uk)

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If you have questions about SEND we are always here to help. Please don't hesitate to email [sen@nelincs.gov.uk](mailto:sen@nelincs.gov.uk). We always try to make sure that children and parents/carers voices are heard.

*These Weekly SEND parent/carer newsletters are shared with teams within education, health and social care as well as parents/carers SENCOs, the DfE and local charities.*

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