

Lancashire Short Breaks Service are pleased to announce the launch of

Break Time

Group based activities for children and young people in Lancashire with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Services will include play schemes, clubs, groups and activities and can take place after school, at weekends and during school holidays.

REGISTER from 13th December 2021

For access to up to 78 hours of fun activities for your child, and a short break for yourself.

Break Time will replace the current Lancashire Break Time service from 1st April 2022. To attend these activities after that date, children and young people must be on the Break Time register.

Download a form from the Lancashire Local Offer www.lancashire.gov.uk/SEND.

If you need a paper copy, please call **01772 538077** or email cyp-shortbreaks@lancashire.gov.uk

Registration forms must be returned by **21st January 2022** and will be processed in the order they are received.

Break Time is a service which can be accessed by children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities who live in Lancashire (excluding Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool council areas) and who do not receive short breaks following a social care assessment of need.

To see if your child meets the criteria to register for Break Time, please check the Local Offer: www.lancashire.gov.uk/SEND

Break Time Plus will be introduced in 2022, to enable children and young people who are looked after or are supported through a social care plan of support, to access a group activity funded through their social care plan. This is intended to provide additional choice and flexibility for children, young people and their carers and families.

Families do not need to register for Break Time Plus; further details will be shared in 2022.





Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) local offer

The SEND Local Offer will:

- Give you information about education health and care services, local activities and support for your family.
- Be developed, reviewed and improved by children and young people, parent carers and practitioners.
- Provide a Directory of useful contacts

Who is it for?

- Children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and disabilities
- Their parent carers and families
- Practitioners and specialists

Where can I find out more?

lancashire.gov.uk/SEND

How can I get involved?

We would like the information we provide to be useful, relevant and easy to find, and we need you to tell us how we can improve and develop the Local Offer.

Email: localoffer@lancashire.gov.uk

Follow us on Facebook:

facebook.com/LancashireLocalOffer

Join the Lancashire Parent Carer Forum:

lancashireparentcarerforum.org.uk

Join POWAR for children & young people:

lancashire.gov.uk/youthzone

Complete the survey on our webpage:

lancashire.gov.uk/SEND

If you don't have access to the internet, you can get help to access the information online at schools, plus some libraries.