

SWINDON SEND SUMMER ACTIVITIES 2023

JULY 2023

Safer
Streets



Healthy
Relationships

Grooming
and
exploitation

Free summer workshops for external youth services!

Online
Safety

The Barnardo's Safer Streets Team are offering free healthy relationships workshops to organisations working with young people aged between 12 and 18, up to a maximum of 30 young people per session.

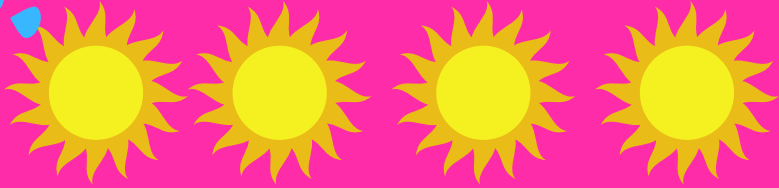
Please email

safestreets@barnardos.org.uk
for more information.

**Believe in
children**
 **Barnardo's**

Welcome to the 2023 edition of the Swindon Summer SEND News Splash. This is the fourth edition of this newsletter and is full of activities and clubs available to children and young people in Swindon.

Not all the activities in this programme are SEND specific. Contact the activity organisers direct if you wish to discuss your child's individual needs.



Aiming High



Many children and young people with disabilities will be able to access the range of groups and activities available in this summer edition of News Splash. Reasonable adjustments should be made to ensure that children and young people with disabilities receive the same service, as far as this is possible, as those without disabilities.

Inclusion Funding is available through Aiming High for children and young people who would be unable to access community groups and activities despite reasonable adjustments, and require additional support to do so. Inclusion Funding is provided directly to the community group or activity provider to employ additional staff so that the child or young person can access the activity.

Referrals for Inclusion Funding can be made via the [SBC website \(https://www.swindon.gov.uk/xfp/form/720\)](https://www.swindon.gov.uk/xfp/form/720). If you are unable to refer online, contact Aiming High via AimingHigh@swindon.gov.uk or 01793 464080. Referrals are accepted from parents, carers or anyone working with the child, including the community group or activity provider.

We recognise that some children will be unable to access community groups and activities even with additional support provided through Inclusion Funding. Please contact Aiming High to discuss specialist services.

For more information on Aiming High, visit the [Local Offer website - Short Breaks page \(https://localoffer.swindon.gov.uk/shortbreaks/\)](https://localoffer.swindon.gov.uk/shortbreaks/).

Family Swim Sessions

Aiming High are organising family swim sessions at Thamesdown Hydrotherapy Pool (SN2 7HJ) over the summer holidays. These sessions provide an opportunity for children and young people with disabilities (0-18th birthday) to spend time accessing an activity that they enjoy with their families. Siblings are welcome. A parent or responsible adult must be in the pool with their children at all times. Sessions are charged at £3.00 per person, per session.

These family swim sessions are often in very high demand. Spaces are available on a first-come first-served basis and must be booked and paid for in advance. To enquire about availability email:

AimingHigh@swindon.gov.uk or 01793 464080.



Outdoor fun

STFC Community Foundation Multi Sports Inclusion Three Day Course

Swindon Town FC Community Foundation will be running a Multi Sports Inclusion Course for children aged between 5-18 years. The three days will consist of fun filled football and multi sports sessions which will take place at The Deanery in Swindon. This course is supported by Aiming High.

Cost: £25

Location: The Deanery, SN1 7DA

Summer Week One: 26/07/2023 - 28/07/2023

Summer Week Five: 22/08/2023 - 24/08/2023

Time: 10:30-14:30

Ages: 5- 18 years.

Further information: If your child has specific care / support requirements or you feel they may require additional support to attend, please contact STFC to discuss your child's needs before applying: This course is limited to 20 places.

To book: For Week One on 26/07/2023 - 28/07/2023 visit: <https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/swindontown/summer-week-one-stfc-community-foundation-multi-sports-inclusion-three-day-course.html>

For Week Five: on 22/08/2023 - 24/08/2023 visit: <https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/swindontown/summer-week-five-stfc-community-foundation-multi-sports-inclusion-three-day-course.html>



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for kids and teenagers

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Summer, Spring &
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Free places for
children and
teenagers ages 4-16
in receipt of free
school meals*

To find out more,
please visit
swindon.gov.uk/HAF

* children in receipt of Universal FSMs (Reception to Year 2) will need to apply for FSMs before applying for HAF

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The Summer Reading Challenge, which encourages children to read for pleasure over the summer holidays, starts Saturday 8th July and runs until Saturday 9th September. This year's Summer Reading Challenge launches with a free, family activity event on Saturday 8th July at Central Library from 10.30 – 13.30. With this year's Challenge theme of 'Ready, Set, Read' which links reading with sport and games, the launch event includes lots of fun, free activities for children to try.

Swindon Libraries' Children's Patron, the award-winning writer and illustrator, Steve Antony is officially opening the launch with help from local children. Children can try circus skills with local events company Fandangos.



Let's Ride Swindon is running a five mile guided bike ride of the local area using quiet streets and traffic-free cycle paths. There will be a Smoothie Bike, where children pedal to power a blender and make their own fruit smoothies. Plus lots of games and sporty activities to try.

Outside of the library and aimed at younger children, Swindon Library Service has created a Family Story Trail in Queen's Park, which runs until the end of July.

For children who are more creative than active, there will be a Creation Station where, among other things, children can design their own 'Swinpup' – linking in with the Big Dog Art Trail puppy sculptures libraries will be hosting from 15th July. Each of the five Council Libraries will have a Creation Station for the duration of the Summer Reading Challenge.





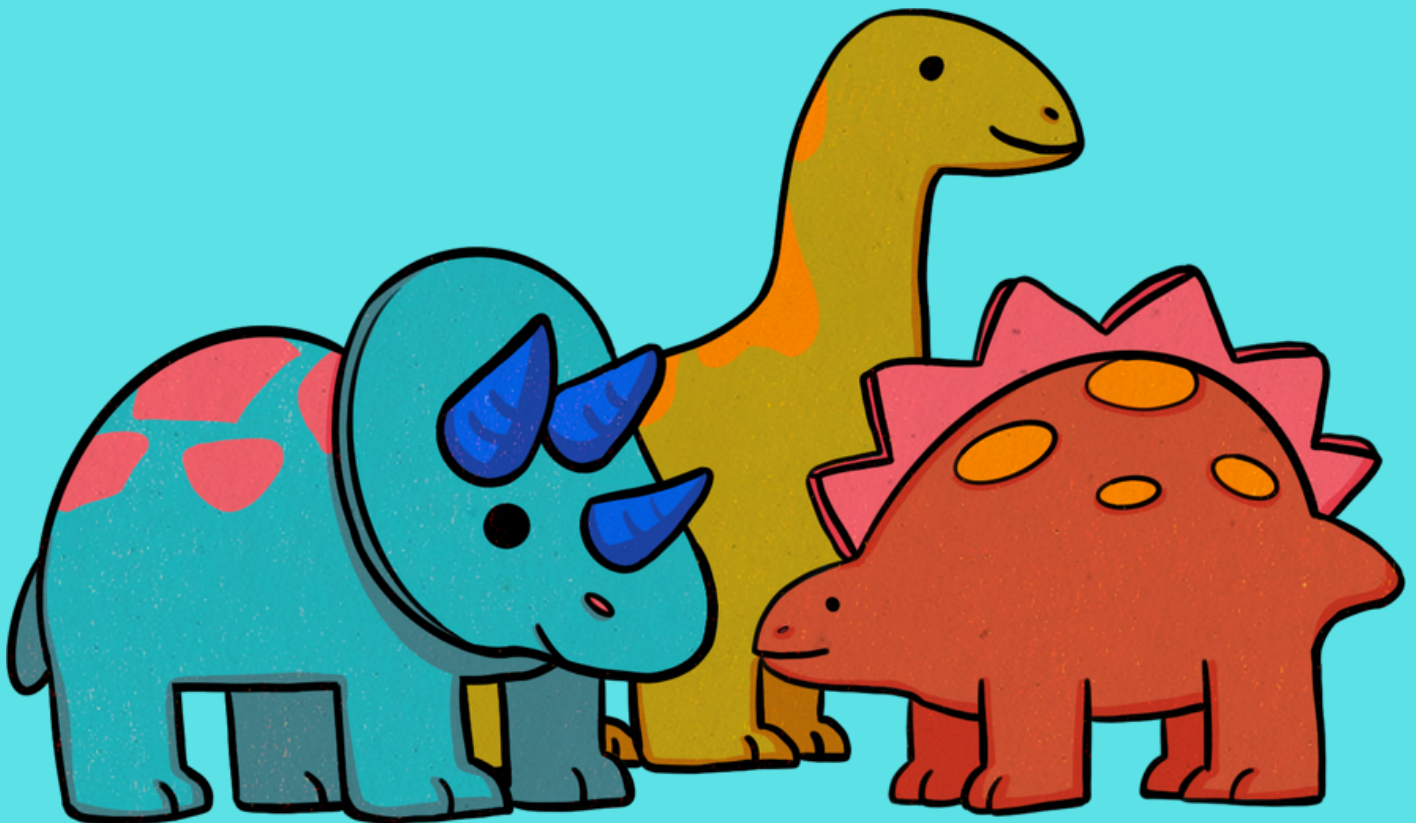
As well as enjoying the free activities, children can register to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge. As an incentive, the first 100 children to register for the Challenge at the launch event will receive a free mini Frisbee and a free book. Plus their free Summer Reading Challenge pack which they'll need to take part.

To support children with SEND to engage with the Summer Reading Challenge, particularly those with more profound learning and physical needs, [Swindon Stories](#), in collaboration with Swindon SEND Families Voice, has created a [free activities sheet](#).

There will also be two free, [Interactive Storyteller events for children with SEND](#). The first at North Swindon Library on Tuesday 8th August from 11am - 12.30pm. And the second at West Swindon Library on Tuesday 15th August from 3pm - 4.30pm. Places must be booked, with online bookings opening three weeks before the event. See Swindon Library's website or Facebook page for the booking link.

More information and resources including booklists and copies of the Summer Reading Challenge competitions, including one to [Meet Steve Antony](#) and [Teen Book Bingo](#) are on [Swindon Libraries' Summer Reading Challenge webpages](#).

If you have any questions, please contact librariesoutreach@swindon.gov.uk.





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FOR ANYONE 16+ WITH DISABILITIES
INCLUSIVE & ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL

FRIDAY 14TH JULY
6:30PM - 8:30PM
TREE NIGHTCLUB, SWINDON

SOFT DRINKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
EVENT WILL BE FULLY WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE & DISABLED TOILET AVAILABLE

FULLY ACCESSIBLE AND INCLUSIVE FOR ALL

EMBRACE ALL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 5TH OF AUGUST 2023 12PM-10PM
THE BOWL, OLD TOWN GARDENS SN1 4NE

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HONEY FUNK
ADRIANA KEYS
HERE COME THE CROWS
I SEE ORANGE
CARERS IN HARMONY
WINCHESTER GO LD

THE SARAH C RYAN BAND
JEANETTE ETHERINGTON
CHLOE HEPBURN
SAM SWANCOTT
JOSHUA HEATHER
JOLI AND THE SOULS
VARITY OF DJ'S

A VARIETY OF FOOD AND DRINK AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
BRING ALONG A CHAIR OR A PICNIC BLANKET AND ENJOY THE MUSIC IN THE SUN!

GREAT FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

SENSORY AREA AND SO MORE!

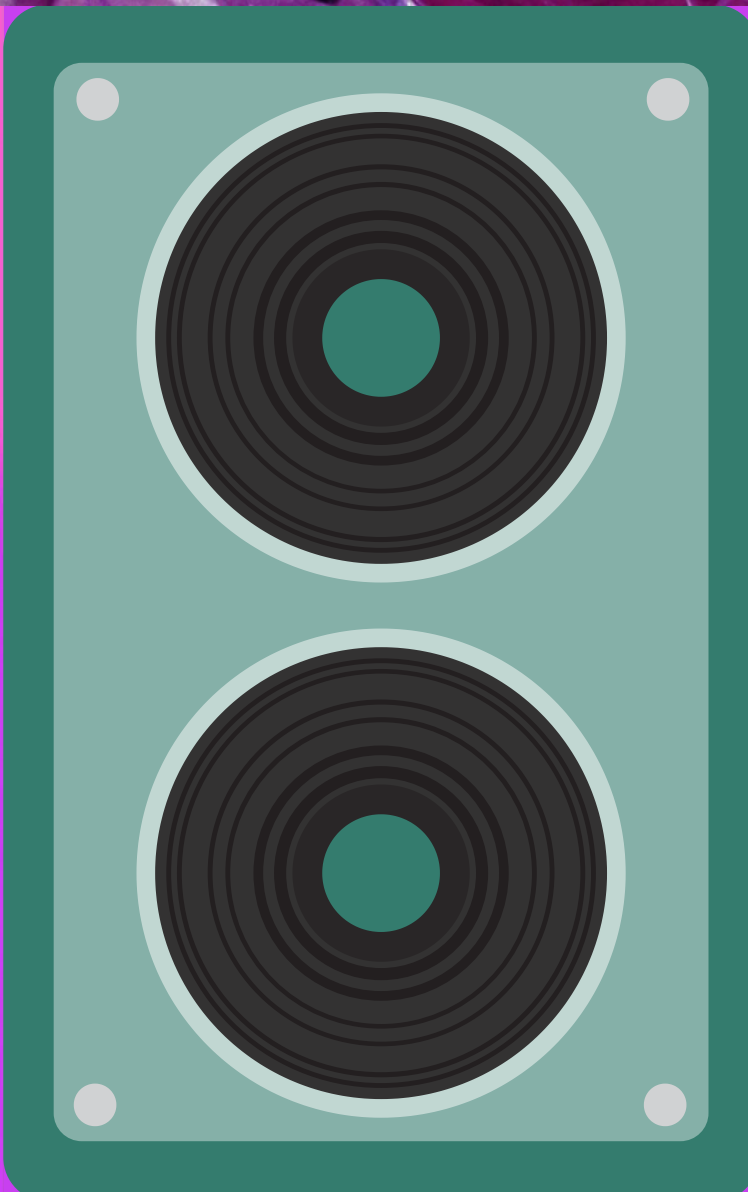
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SCAN QR CODE TO BOOK TICKETS. TO FIND OUT MORE PLEASE FOLLOW 'EMBRACE ALL' ON FACEBOOK






With Amina and Hannah!

SEND STAY & PLAY SUPPORT GROUP

For children aged 0-5 years with SEND
FREE to attend!
 Email: sendstayandplay.ssfv@outlook.com to book a place

When: Thursday 3rd August; 10:00 - 12:00
 Where: The Meadow, Leigh Road, Swindon, SN2 5DE
Please note parents and carers are responsible for their children whilst attending




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 Where: The Meadow, Leigh Road, Swindon, SN2 5DE
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The Local Offer wishes you all a happy and safe summer 2023