

This was a fantastic night, thanks to all involved and the lovely families and children "it's behind you" ❤️

Panto Time - Cinderella

Our families were treated to a fantastic performance of Cinderella by Chaplin's Pantos . Our very own Nicola Green won a free pantomime performance on behalf of Umbrella. Thank you to Nicola, Chaplin's Pantos and all of the volunteers for arranging such a wonderful evening. Everyone had a fantastic time.



We really enjoyed the show! Made us both chuckle! Thanks 😊



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UMBRELLA FAMILY SUPPORT

Umbrella Family Fun Event October - Pride Park Stadium Tour

A massive thank you to Derby County Community Trust, for the two tours of Pride Park Stadium, during October Half term, for our Family Fun events. The families got to see in the dressing rooms, sit in the dug outs, pretend to hold a press conference and be pitch side. The staff at Derby County Community Trust were brilliant and informative tour guides, we can't thank them enough. All the families had a great time, your positive feedback was great to hear, thank you all.

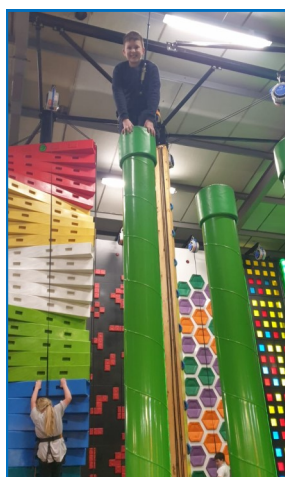


Parent/ Carer and Child Group - Clip n Climb

November was a fantastic group for our Parents/ Carers and Children. They headed to Clip n Climb Derby for an exclusive session. The children did incredibly well and reached great heights!

The Group appreciation and support for each other was amazing. Lots of communication, trying new things and facing fears with sheer determination. We are incredibly proud to witness the incredible achievements you all made during the session.

Our next Parent/ Carer and Child group will be heading to watch Jack and the Beanstalk. Please see the next page for more information.



Under 5's Groups

Umbrella Under 5's have been finding out about Colour, fireworks and Diwali this month. It's been great to welcome 2 new families to the sessions and we have enjoyed watching new friendships starting, with parents and children alike. The group and our Family Support worker, Karin, are supported by an amazing parent volunteer, Helen. Her lived experience as a parent means she is able to offer relevant support and reassurance to parents and amazing patience and encouragement to the children as well. As a team, Karin and Helen are looking forward to the December 13th session at Umbrella House, and yes...it will be Christmas themed!!!

For more information about the sessions and to book on, email Karin : Karin.aberg@umbrella.uk.net



UMBRELLA SUPPORT PROGRAMME

Our support groups meet throughout the year, term time only. We also have Facebook groups that you are welcome to join if you are a member.

We offer a warm friendly welcome at our support groups, a time to be yourself in a safe and confidential environment.

For more information about / to book our support sessions please contact the Familysupport@Umbrella.uk.net or call 01332 785658

11th January - Amber Valley Drop In Session

10am - 12 noon

Strutts Centre Belper Derby Rd, Belper DE56 1UU

Guest Speaker: Derbyshire Law Firm Disability Discrimination, we will explain about the equality act and how this relates to you. We want to empower and inform individuals on different types of discrimination and the steps to take.

15th January - Male Carers Group

7pm

Meal out - White Swan pub, Shepherd St, Littleover, Derby DE23 6GA

[Booking essential for this group](#)

25th January - Erewash Drop in Support Session

10am - 12 noon

Long Eaton Children's Centre Lime Terrace, Long Eaton, Nottingham NG10 4LF

Guest Speaker; Healthwatch Derbyshire

26th January - Parent / Carer and Child

Drama Incorporate Presents - Jack in the Bean Stalk at St Martin's Church.

Book your own tickets:

<https://event.bookitbee.com/46175/jack-and-the-beanstalk-6>

The Family Support Workers will be there to support for the performance.

10th & 24th January - Under 5's group

10am - 12 noon

At: Umbrella House, 64 Birdcage Walk, Mackworth, DE22 4LD

£2 per child - drink and snack available

[Booking essential for this group](#)

BRAND NEW

17th January - Erewash Drop in &

Under 5's group

10am - 12 noon

Cotmanhay People's Centre, Beauvale Drive Ilkeston Derbyshire DE7 5RU

£2 per child - drink and snack available

[Booking essential for this group](#)

February Dates

2nd February - Parent/ Carer and Girls Group

7th February - Derby City Group

8th February - Amber Valley Group

14th & 28th February - Under 5's Group @ Umbrella house

16th February - Parent / Carer and Boys Group

20th February - Family Fun Event

21st February - Erewash Drop In & Under 5's @ Cotmanhey People's Centre

29th February - Erewash Drop In @ Long Eaton Children's Centre



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UMBRELLA PLAY AND LEISURE

There are some Wonderful Christmas Play schemes being held this Christmas at various organisations across Derby.

Details on How to book are on the flyers.

Derby City - Holiday Activities & Food Programme

Bookings for the winter Holiday Activities & Food Programme are now open. Details of providers and their offer can be found at www.derby.gov.uk/derbyHAF.

The Holiday Activities and Food programme, funded by the Department for Education, provides free activities and a nutritious meal for children from Reception to Year 11 who are eligible for benefits related free school meals. To book a place at a HAF session, eligible children will need a HAF eligibility code. To apply for a code, please complete the [HAF eligibility code form](#). Please note that without a code, you will not be able to book a HAF place.

Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF)

10am - 2pm
5-11 year olds
FREE Meal for all Children
FREE for children on Free School Meals

Activities include
Soft Play, Multi Skills, Multi Sports,
Healthy Eating, Wellbeing Activities
Learn to ride a bike 5-7yrs
Swimming 8-11yrs

Tues 2nd January - Friday 4th January
10am - 2pm
Pre-booking is essential as spaces are limited

SEN Sessions every Wednesday
For children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities
10am-1.30pm
5-12 year olds
For children to attend with a parent/carer and enjoy:
10.30-11.30 Sensory Swimming
12.00 - 13.30 Inclusive Soft Play
FREE Meal for all children

Moorways Sports Village
Moor Lane
Allenton
Derby
DE24 9HY
01332 414310
MoorwaysSV@everyoneactive.com

Don't forget your child's Unique HAF Code

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Derbyshire's It's About Me Holiday Activity and Food Programme

We are excited to let you know that Derbyshire's popular holiday activities and food programme [It's about me Derbyshire](#) is back again for Winter 2023, running free activity clubs across the county for children aged 4 to 16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Holiday clubs will run during the school Christmas break for an average of 4 hours a day, offering a brilliant mix of fun action-packed days and tasty food across various locations around Derbyshire.

Programme dates and activities will vary depending on the type and location of each local club, and you will need to present your It's About Me booking code to secure your free place. Please speak with your school office to get your code.

FREEDOM FOUNDATION PRESENTS

RELEASE
FOR CHILDREN AGES 7-12

FREE EVENT

VENUE
DÉDA
19 CHAPEL STREET
DERBY DE1 3GU

2ND - 5TH JANUARY
10am - 12.30pm

LUNCH INCLUDED

LIMITED SPACES
CHILDREN ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND ALL 4 DAYS

FUN, INCLUSIVE AND CREATIVE SESSIONS
THIS IS PROVISION FOR CHILDREN IN DERBY CITY WITH SEND NEEDS
£10 PER DAY PAID OPTION AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS OR A FUNDED REFERRAL PLACE
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UMBRELLA ADULT SERVICES

TEAM

During the month of November, our daytime groups have been jam packed with all sorts of fun activities. At the Start of the month was of course bonfire night so the Monday group decided to get into the spirit and make some creative firework pictures. They also played some bonfire night themed games like hot potato and even made some parkin to enjoy in the afternoon. The Thursday group also enjoyed some bonfire night fun and did some apple bobbing.

The groups also celebrated Diwali; the Monday group learnt what it means to celebrate Diwali and made some lovely tea light holders to take home. The Friday group too celebrated Diwali by making a traditional vegetarian curry. They also made some poppy wreaths ready for Remembrance Day.

The Tuesday group enjoyed an Animals that Hibernate day where they learnt about hibernation and made hedgehog homes and bug hotels to place in the garden at Annie's. They also put some travel training into practice and hopped onto the bus to Moorways for some fun in the swimming pool.

The Wednesday group have also been getting into the Christmas spirit by visiting the deer's at Wollaton Park! Josh was so excited to see Santa's reindeers and really enjoyed the trip on the bus too.

The young adults have also been busy Christmas elves by helping to collect lots of items for the shoebox appeal. They have loved packing the boxes which were collected by the charity Teams4U.

Thank you to anyone who donated gifts!

It's not all Christmas here though, The Friday group celebrated Children in need by doing lots of Pudsey related crafts. The young adults loved taking pictures with Pudsey and Cameron was very proud of his Pudsey biscuits that he made with his support worker.



INDE

The Wednesday INDE group enjoyed a fun month of onsite activities in November. One night that was a particular hit was Game Show night. Annie's place became the host of Multiple TV gameshows, each team went head to head to gain points for each game show, and points mean prizes! The group loved the evening so much that they have planned another for December!

Wednesday INDE also acknowledged Remembrance Day by making some wreaths and also decorated some biscuits with poppies on top. The group also enjoyed an INDE classic of hats in the bag with a twist; they did what's in the cupboard instead! Instead of buying new ingredients they searched the cupboards and used up some ingredients we already had. They made a yummy pasta dish which all the group enjoyed. The group love cooking and baking so the following week they did a Great umbrella bake off! Each group made a signature bake and tried them all at the end of the night. They all used great team work to make some yummy cakes! Saturday INDE have also enjoyed a range of activities this month including Bonfire day, Fakeaway day and also enjoyed a trip offsite to crazy golf. They have also been busy making gifts to sell at the Christmas Fayre and decorating the Christmas tree in preparation. Well done INDE!



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CHILDRENS TRIPS

We started off November with some fun trips in the half term holidays. First off, we had a Halloween party with dancing, food, and games, including apple bobbing and decorating spooky cakes, in our spooky Halloween costumes. Our next trip started by having a jumping good time at Oxygen trampoline park, we were all really hungry after all that jumping so took a walk over to Subway for lunch, and then down to Alvaston park to play on a playground. We finished off half term with Strictly Come Dancing Day, where we cha cha cha-ed our way through the day learning some amazing dance moves and routines from a regional qualifier in Ballroom and Latin dancing!



On Mickey Mouse Day we all got together to celebrate all things Mickey Mouse! We made some Mickey (or Minnie) Mouse ears, handprints and some tape resist art and some painting. Then we sat down to complete some jigsaw puzzles of our favourite Disney characters. Also, even though it's not December yet, it was almost National Gingerbread Cookie Day, so we made some of them to take home.



ONE TO ONES

Leslie recently had a fun visit to the arcade during his 1:1 support session, he enjoyed the motion simulator so much that he had three goes on it!

Visiting the arcade was a great way for Leslie to work on his life skills such as money management and budgeting.. He worked out how much he needed to put by for his drink from McDonald's on the way home and figured out how much that would leave him for the arcade. He then looked around the arcade to decide which games he would like to go on the most and worked out how many times he could go on each one.



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UMBRELLA VOLUNTEERS

A big thank you goes out to Matt Jones and his team from Pax 8 for volunteering their time to build a 2nd shed over at Annie's place.

Our bikes and outdoor toys have space to breathe, and staff don't have to struggle to put everything away at the end of the session. We are so grateful to the team for not only building the shed but spending time clearing the allotment and garden getting it winter ready.

THANK YOU.



Seasons Greetings to all our fantastic volunteers – Thank you for all that you do, I know some of you have come forward to give your time during the busy festive season and this is so appreciated. If you are having a little break over Christmas, we wish you well and look forward to seeing you again in 2024. For our younger volunteers, I know Christmas is going to be a busy time for revision before mocks and end of term exams in January. Good luck. We are sending you are best wishes. Keep in touch.

If you are interested in volunteering for Umbrella, please contact Gurvinder volunteers@umbrella.uk.net

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UMBRELLA FUNDRAISING

Spooky goings on at Steeple Grange

Our friends at Steeple Grange Light Railway were kind enough to organise spooky train rides to raise funds for Umbrella.

They successfully raised over £200 and even 'kidnapped' some walkers from the High Peak trail to take part.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this generous donation.



Walking the walk for Umbrella!

Over 100 people braved the cold and the early morning start to take part in the Carsington Reservoir walk organised by Robert Rowan and Jeremy Murphy.

Sponsored by Huub Design and Grants of Derbyshire, the walk was a huge success raising £2,339.75 so far.

A huge thank you to Robert and Jeremy for their incredible work.

Have you been fundraising?

Don't forget to let us know so we can say thank you!



Umbrella's Christmas Fayre

The Festive season arrived early at Annie's Place with our Christmas Fayre on 25th November.

We had lots of exciting stalls from independent vendors plus our very own fundraising stalls ran by INDE group and our lovely volunteers.

Santa even managed to take time some time off to join us in our very own outdoor grotto.

Everyone had a fantastic time and the fayre raised a grand total of £985.70.

We were incredibly lucky to receive lots of support in terms of prizes, cakes and donations. Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a wonderful event.

We still have unclaimed raffle prizes, please check our Facebook page for the winning numbers.



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Our Christmas Appeal is now live!

This year we are asking our supporters to donate to us in lieu of buying Christmas cards this year.

If you would like to leave a donation, please use the following link or scan the QR code below.

Every amount counts and makes a difference.

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/umbrellas-christmas-appeal>



Please us nominate us...

For 12 days in December, The Benefact Group will be drawing 10 charities per weekday between December 1st and 18th to each receive £1,000.

We're asking everyone to spare a couple of minutes to nominate us for a chance of winning.

The deadline for nominations is:

17th December 2023.

To make your nomination, please visit

www.movementforgood.com



Season's Greetings.
Please nominate us to
win £1,000 today!



You can win up to £25,000 each week! Entering is quick & easy. For just £1 a week per line, we get 50p with the other half being split between prize funds and Unity administration costs. If you haven't already signed up, you can find the link below :

<https://www.unitylottery.co.uk/causes/umbrella/>



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USEFUL INFORMATION

Derby SEND Voice
Derby City Parent Carer Forum



The Parent Carer Forum is an organised group of parents and carers with children (0-25) who have any additional needs & disability (diagnosed and un-diagnosed). Their primary mission is to foster collaboration between parents/carers, schools and the local authority, to ensure that the voices of parents who have children with SEND needs are heard and valued in the decision-making processes related to our children's education and general well-being. Derby SEND Voice needs to increase their Reps and therefore request support from dedicated and engaged parents/carers to join their forum. Reps will play a pivotal role in bridging the gap and ensuring that the concerns, opinions, and aspirations

of parents are accurately conveyed and considered.

To help build the forum, an opportunity of free training for parent Reps has been organized which will provide an understanding of:

- The role of the function of the parent carer forum both nationally and locally. How it works in practice.
- Representation of parent voice through the role of a strategic partner.
- What knowledge and skills do you need in order to be a forum rep.

The course will be 4 virtual sessions and places are limited to 30 people. To register for a place on the course please email Catherine.ratcliffe@contact.org.uk

Derby SEND Voice appreciates your support and looks forward to the prospect of working together, to ensure that the voices of parents are heard. Thank you for your time and consideration

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