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October Holiday Scheme 23rd - 27th



About Us...

Gateway Northeast responds to the needs of Children, Young People and Parents/Carers with a disability or barrier to learning and their families by providing holiday schemes. We are open every school holiday Monday to Friday, except on bank holidays. We run sessions from 10am – 3pm each day.

Our Holiday Schemes are aimed at Children and Young People from reception age to 25 year old, who have a disability or barrier to learning, including young carers. Although our activities are disability focused they are not exclusive and everyone is welcome!

We aim to provide age appropriate activities for Children and Young People that are **FUN, Exciting, Challenging** and **Accredited!**

Transport – Sessions run offsite and onsite so the Children and Young People have access to the minibus or may use public transport. Transport is limited and we don't get any funding for this. Although we aim to provide a minibus to every location there may be times that we use a car that is business insured. In this case there will always be 2 members of staff for safeguarding purposes. If at any time this is the case, parents/carers will be informed prior to pick up/drop off with the make, model, colour of car and which staff members are on route.

We are registered with OFSTED, have public liability insurance and all our blue top staff are fully qualified.

Our qualified Play Leaders, Sports Coaches and Carers, run activities for the Children and Young People as well as Assistant Play Leaders (Red & Maroon tops), who are Young People helping to make the holidays enjoyable. A minimum of 70% of our staff have a disability or barrier to learning, this shows parents, young people and society that people with a disability or barrier to learning can achieve great things given the right support and encouragement.

Durham Dales

This program is relevant for your child if you live in the Durham Dales area only. If you are unsure whether this applies to you due to where you live, please ask the office on 01915263112.

The pick up point for the dales program is Morrisons Car Park, Bishop Auckland. The bus will park as near to the disabled parking as possible.

DAY	Activity	Pick Up Time	Drop Off Time
Monday 23rd October	Alan Shearer Centre	9.45am	3pm
Tuesday 24th October	Hall Hill Farm	9.30am	3pm
Wednesday 25th October	Multisport	10am	3pm
Thursday 26th October	Bowing & Swimming	10am	3pm
Friday 27th October	Family Day Out	9.45am	3pm

Sunderland / Sacriston / East Durham

This program is relevant for your child if you are able to travel to any of the 3 pick up points or our main Easington Lane site. If you are unsure whether this applies to you, please ask the office on 01915263112.

The pick up points for this program are:

1. McDonalds car park, Peterlee, SR8 5HA
2. Austin House Children's Centre, Sunderland, SR5 2JX
3. The Fulforth Centre, Sacriston, DH7 6JT

DAY	Offsite Activity	Onsite @Easington Lane - 10am	Peterlee Pick Up	Austin House Pick Up	Sacriston Pick Up	Easington Lane Pick Up	Drop Off Times
Monday 23rd October	Alan Shearer Centre	Photography Challenge	9.20am	10am	10am	9.30am	3pm
Tuesday 24th October	Bowling & Swimming	Arts & Crafts	10am	10am	10am	9.30am	3pm
Wednesday 25th October	Fishing OR Multisport	Sports & African Drumming	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	3pm
Thursday 26th October	11+ Go-Karting Under 11 Mister Twisters	Cooking and Cook Book Making	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	3pm
Friday 27th October	Family Day Out – Sponsored Walk	Indoor games	9.30am	9.45am	9.30am	9am	3pm

Stepping Out (15-25's)

Our stepping out group is for Young People that are gearing up for the big world out there and gaining some more skills to help them gain the ability to be more independence. In this group they will be using independent travel to get to all of their activities e.g. Busses and Trains.

DAY	Activity	Austin House Drop Off (AM)	Austin House Pick Up (PM)	Easington Lane Drop Off (AM)	Easington Lane Pick Up (PM)
Monday 23rd October	Morning: Plan their weeks travel Afternoon: Museum & Winter Gardens	10am	3pm	9.20am	3.30pm
Tuesday 24th October	Morning: Riverside Bowling or Arts & Crafts onsite Afternoon: Swimming @Aquatic Centre	10am	3pm	9.20am	3.30pm
Wednesday 25th October	Fishing	10am	3pm	9.20am	3.30pm
Thursday 26th October	Go-Karting or Eldon Square/Cinema	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed	To Be Confirmed
Friday 27th October	Plan a day in Sunderland (Meal/Cinema/Shopping)	9.45am	3pm	9.10am	3.30pm

We are aware that some of the activities listed may not be possible depending on the disability your Child/Young Person may have. If this is the case, please let us know and we will create a way for them to still access our holiday scheme that day. Whether it is doing the same activity but with some extra help and in a different way, or by organising a different activity that they are able to do and that will still allow them to learn some new skills and gain more independence.

For an activity that requires a meal or shopping etc. The cost of the meal is not covered in the normal expense of the day. Please ensure that your child has some money with them. We would recommend about £10 for a meal. Alternatively, if you do not wish to send your child with money for a meal, please send them with a packed lunch and drink for that day.

How to book your child in?

If your Child is going to be onsite at Easington Lane, the time to bring them to Easington Lane is 10am.

Some of the pick up times have not been confirmed however once we get enough Children booked in we will make sure to let you know of these times.

Please book in as early as possible to avoid disappointment, as bus spaces are limited.

To book in you can call the office on 0191 5263112, Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm.

Alternatively you can email:

Carol – carol@gatewaynortheast.org.uk

Donna – donna@gatewaynortheast.org.uk

Evan – evan@gatewaynortheast.org.uk

Are you new to Gateway North East?

If this is the case and you have not accessed Gateway North East before, you will need to complete some consent forms.

All you have to do is call the office on 0191 5263112, Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm to go through the procedure that will allow your child to access our holiday schemes.

Alternatively you can email:

Carol – carol@gatewaynortheast.org.uk

Donna – donna@gatewaynortheast.org.uk

Evan – evan@gatewaynortheast.org.uk

To ensure that your child can access our October holiday scheme, please get in touch at least a week before the schemes. If you are unable to do this, still contact us and we will do our best to try and get your child onto the holiday scheme as soon as possible.

What to bring each day?

- Coat/Waterproof
- Suitable Clothes for chosen activity
- Swimming Kit/Towel/Armbands/Goggles if needed
- Packed lunch & Drink (Please avoid fizzy/sugary/energy drinks)
- Spare Clothes
- Sun Hat (If necessary for the day)
- Sun Cream (If necessary for the day)

Please avoid sending your child to schemes in good/new clothes as young people can become mucky/messy.

If your child requires and medication to be administered within the hours that they will be accessing the scheme, this MUST be given DIRECTLY to staff or the bus driver, along with instructions for use and NOT left in your child's bag!!!

Cost

Gateway North East is a charity, our income comes from parent fundraising and grants. We receive no funding from local Authority in Sunderland and a small subsidy for those who live in East Durham and Durham Dales. The approximate cost of a holiday scheme to the charity per child is as follows:

- **1-3 ratio £30 per day (Excluding Transport)**
- **1-1 ration £80 per day (Excluding Transport)**
- **2-1 £150 per day (Excluding Transport)**

We try to keep the cost down by fundraising, which we can only do with the help our parents. So we are asking that you consider this when you make your contributions to the scheme.

Our suggested donations per day are: **Onsite £15** and **Offsite £25**. However if you are unable to get any funding to cover the full costs that helps us a great deal!

If social Services are paying for your child directly we ask that they pay **£40 per day**.

Our funding and contributions has to work on parents being fair and honest with us.

We do however recognise that for some people, this amount of money is to much and we aim to ensure that everyone can access the schemes. We do not want to exclude any young people on the basis of finance. Therefore, if you are unable to afford the suggested donations please contact Joanne or Julie via the office to discuss this in confidence to see whether there is a way we can help you.

Finally, if you have any fundraising ideas or fundraising that you or your family could do to help us raise funds, we would be extremely grateful for your help!