Dear Parent/Carers,

Please find below courses and support available to Dacorum Parent/Carers from local providers. Please contact the providers directly, as detailed in their flyers.

Kind Regards, DSPL 8 Team

Hertfordshire Space February Activities

Eventbrite booking link: SPACE HERTFORDSHIRE Events | Eventbrite

FEBRUARY HALF TERM EVENTS

There's so much to do at SPACE, beat the rush & book tickets today

Monday 19 Feb 2024, 10:00-11:30 - Pottery Painting Monday 19 Feb 2024, 15:00-16:00 - Doughnutting Monday 19 Feb 2024, 16:00-17:00 - Doughnutting Wednesday 21 Feb 2024, 10:30-12:30 - Winter Wildlife Walk Wednesday 21 Feb 2024, 17:30-18:30 - Ranger Stu Virtual Zoo Friday 23 Feb 2024, 15:00-16:00 - Doughnutting Friday 23 Feb 2024, 16:00-17:00 - Doughnutting



Book tickets via the Eventbrite: SPACE Hertfordshire



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Diverse Families, Childrens Club

Email: Diverse@Families22.co.uk

Diverse Families, Children's Club.

A Monthly Saturday Club For Children With Special Need And/Or Disabilities.

Diverse Families founded by Z. & L. M was Collaborated with Colletts School, for reasons we are now potentially looking at finding a new location in Hemel and for the club to be held once every second or third Saturday in the month, for an hour and half. *Besides Arts & Crafts what sort of activities you like see in the club?

Our aim for Diverse Families is to provide a relaxing environment where families can be just themselves, socialise and not having to worry about being judged by other's simply for being different Onderstandably it is a financially difficult time for all and we naturally want keep the costs down, not just for us but also for Families as well. * Between £1.00 and £5.00 how much would you be happy to pay per club session. (Cash payment on the day.)

Any Suggestions and Ideas are very welcome.

Each Diverse Families club session be advertised vi's Facebook on Space, Families in Focus and Dacorum Disabilities Support Group well as emails being sent out.

If any one is interested in please email us on giverse@Families22.co.uk.

We have a lot to think about, our families is a mix of Special Needs and Disabilities so fully understand how hard it can be, especially with what limited support service there is out there.

Collaborated With

If we can we hope <mark>to</mark> bring back this Club and be wonderful meeting new families in similar boat to us. Age range looking at from 4 right up to 16.



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Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Workshop: Spring 2024 Term

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Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Workshops (January-March 2024)

Workshops are open to all young people & parents/carers of children and young people who attend a school or are registered to a GP in Hertfordshire. A referral is not needed to access a workshop.

All workshops are currently being delivered online via Microsoft Teams. For more information about what each workshop covers and to book a place onto a workshop, visit the Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Eventbrite page: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-school-nursingservice-hertfordshire-</u> <u>33494371787</u>

Workshop	Date & Time
Emotional Wellbeing (For Young People 11-16) A workshop focused on adolescents managing their own emotional wellbeing and things parents/carers can do to help.	Thursday 25 th January 10am-12pm Monday 4 th March 6-8pm
Supporting Adolescents with Self-Esteem A workshop focused on adolescents improving their self-esteem and what parents can do to support.	Wednesday 10 th January 6-8pm Tuesday 19 th March 6-8pm
Supporting your Child's Self-Esteem A workshop focused on parents/carers supporting their child to improve their self-esteem.	Thursday 8 th February 6-8pm
Supporting with Sleep Difficulties A workshop supporting children and adolescents with managing their sleep difficulties and how parents/carers can help.	Tuesday 13 th February 10-12pm
Supporting your Child's Resilience A workshop focused on parents/carers supporting their child to improve their resilience.	Monday 15 th January 10-12pm Wednesday 27 th March 6-8pm
Developing your Child's Emotional Literacy A workshop focused on parents supporting their child with developing emotional literacy.	Tuesday 9 th January 6-8pm Friday 9 th February 10-12am Thursday 21 st March 6-8pm
General Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation Tips for Parents A workshop focused on parents supporting their child's general emotional wellbeing and emotional regulation.	Tuesday 23 rd January 10-12pm Monday 12 th February 6-8pm Monday 11 th March 10-12pm
School Transitions A workshop supporting children and adolescents with managing school transitions.	n/a
Exam Stress A workshop supporting children and adolescents with managing exam stress.	n/a

To access the recorded Emotionally Based School Avoidance Webinar please visit: <u>https://www.hct.nhs.uk/our-</u> services-and-referral-information/our-services-a-z/childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-service/



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Supporting Links Talking Families course

Booking essential Please quote the course ID To check eligibility and book a place, contact Supporting Links on: 07512 709556 bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk www.supportinglinks.co.uk



Thursdays 9.45-11.15am Course: ID 622 8th, 15th, 29th February & 7th, 14th NOW ONLINE! 21st March 2024

6, weekly sessions for parents and carers of children aged 0-12 sharing tips on how to:

- Manage challenging behaviour with consistency
- Encourage positive behaviour
- **Build your child's self esteem**
- Set and maintain boundaries
- **Respond to tantrums and** difficult feelings in children
- **Develop a strong parent/child** relationship now and for the future

These courses are provided free to

participants by Hertfordshire County

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Hertfordshire Council's Targeted Parenting Fund

Groups are delivered by Zoom and are open to parents, carers, grandparents and guardians living, or with a child in school, in Hertfordshire.

'Every parent should do this course! It has taught me so much about how to deal with family life.'

Booking essential Please quote the course ID To check eligibility and book a place, contact Supporting Links on:

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Information you share with us is used to process your booking. This will be held securely and only shared in accordance with our GDPR Policy.

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Families Lives Courses

Spring 2024 groups and ramily lives workshops

All our programmes provide support, information and resources to parents/carers and adult family members so they can help their children reach their full potential. For more information, please contact Louise on 0204 522 #700/8701 or email services@familylves.org.uk

Bringing Up Confident ADHD/ASD Children (6 weeks) Online group

Thursday 25 January to 7 March 9.30am - 11.30am via MS Team If your child has ADHD/ASD, or you think they might, join our online 6-week group where you will receive support from other parents and gain a comprehensive understanding of ADHD/ASD and learn strategies to improve life at home and at school.

Less Shouting, More Cooperation (6 weeks) Online group

Tuesday 30 January 12 March 7pm - 9pm Do you feel you are constantly nagging or shouting at your child to get what you need? Are you tired of lasing your cool and want a calmer house? Jain our free online 6-week group to learn how you can change the way you communicate with your child, respond better, and feel more in control.

Sorting Out Family Arguments (6 weeks) Online group Wednesday 7 Feb – 20 March 9.30am - 11.30am Do you feel everything ends in an argument and you are constantly trying to keep the peace? Join our free online 6-week group to help improve family communication, reduce the reactions which lead to arguments and create a culture of teamwork in your family.

Getting on with your Pre Teen / Teen (6 weeks) Online group

Tuesday 6 February 19 March 9.30am - 11.30am

I used by or February 15 Martin 350ml - H.Soam Is your teen feeing anxious or isolated? A ke you concerned about their mental health and struggling help? Join our free online 6-week online group to learn how parents can best emotionally support th and feel canfident and prepared for whatever challenges might arise.

Dads Together (6 weeks) Online group Tuesday 6 February 19 March 7pm - 9pm

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nxiety around ADHD Workshop - Online

Wednesday 17 January 7pm - 9pm This workshop helps parents/carers understand what ADHD is, why it makes sense for a child to be if they have ADHD, strategies to help support you and your child, plus signposting to other support available.

Reducing Conflict Workshops - Online Thursday 14 March 9.30 - 11.30 AND Wednesday 20 March 7pm - 9pm shop explores different types of conflict between couples and families. Provides support in nding the causes and impact of parental and family conflict on children and gives practical steps

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Parenting SEN children when separated online programme

A 6-session programme, specifically tailored to help separated parents navigate the complexities of co-parenting and provide the best possible support for their SEND child. This is a valuable opportunity to enhance co-parenting skills, support children's development and build a strong foundation for the future

Who should attend?

Separated parents raising children with SEND.

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- Parents seeking guidance, support, and strategies for co-parenting SEN children more consistently.
- Parents wanting to create a positive and
- supportive environment for their child's development.

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Teams, from 7pm to 9pm, over 6 sessions, on the following dates:

- Thursdays: 11, 18 & 25 January and 1, 8 & 15 February 2024
- Mondays: 29 January, 5, 12 & 26 February and 4 & 11 March 2024 Mondays & Wednesday: 29, 31 January & 5, 7,
- 12, 14 February 2024

For more information or to make a referral, scan the QR code, email services@familylives.org.uk or call 0204 522 8700 or 0204 522 8699

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This programme is designed specifically for parents living together or apart, who are facing conflicts and struggling to find common ground in raising their neurodiverse child. This is a valuable opportunity to enhance relationships, strengthen parenting skills and create a more harmonious home environment.

Who should attend?

- · Parents who are experiencing conflicts and challenges due to the neurodiversity of their child
- Parents who want to improve communication and build stronger partnership in parenting and co-parenting their neurodiverse child.
- · Parents seeking guidance, support, and practical strategies to navigate the unique challenges of raising a neurodiverse child.

These 2 courses will be delivered by MS Teams, over 8 sessions, on the following dates/times: • Tuesdays & Thursdays from 27th February to 21 March 2024, 7.00pm to 9.00pm

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 Wednesdays & Saturdays from 28th February to 23 March 2024, (Wednesday 7.00pm to 9.00pm & Saturday 10am -12pm)

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To book a place please click here for our online referral form:

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Angels Autism & ADHD Support

How to access our support





Angels provide individualised, professional expertise and advice for the families of autistic children and children with ADHD (and those awaiting diagnosis). Come along to our meetings to chat with other parents, share ideas and experiences and gain information, advice and strategies.

- provide: Parent support group meetings and workshops in Stevenage, Letchworth and Online. Online evening support group meetings One-to-one service to support you in a personalised way with any issue around your child/youmg person's conditions, including support with meetings and forms. A private moderated Facebook group just for members.

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- Members will be emailed weekly with details of the weekly support they can access.
- Members will be invited to join our closed **FB** Group
- All our support is FREE of charge and is for those with a diagnosis and awaiting diagnosis

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Scan the QR code and complete our online membership form to access our FREE support.



Note for Professionals:

If you are a professional working with families and would like to learn more about Angels, then please contact The Angels Team on info@angelssupportgroup.org.uk





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Family Centre Drop in Groups for Hertfordshire families (ages 0-5)



This Spring the Family Centres across Hertfordshire have lots of fun activities for families!

As the cost of living continues to rise, it helps that all the sessions are free and also drop-in. Run by professional, qualified staff in Early Years, our groups offer a wide range of activities for you and your children to enjoy and play together. They are an opportunity for you to meet other local families and get advice and support from the Family Centre team. As well as lots for under 5's to enjoy! Our regular groups include.

- **Baby Group** (babies to pre-walkers) drop in and meet other families with young babies in a supportive, stimulating and friendly environment. This session is for babies to play and for you to discover more about their development and support your own wellbeing as a new parent.
- Active Rhyme Time (Baby and Toddler) a fun session including active rhymes and songs for you and your baby and toddler. The groups are a great way to meet other families and develop your child's communication and physical skills.
- **Physical Fun** (18 months +) join the team for a fun, active session. A way to meet other families and enjoy lots of fun games and play opportunities to support your child with their physical development.
- Family Fun (18 months +) fun sessions with a wide range of activities for you and your children to play together, meet other local families and the Family Centre team. As well as lots for Under 5's to enjoy, there will be activities for siblings up to the age of 8.

These groups run at different venues across Hertfordshire and you can drop into any of them, there is no need to book*. Family Support staff will be on hand to answer any questions that you may have and if you need any extra help, they can point you in the right direction.

Find out details of sessions near you on our What's On page.

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You'll also find details of special SEND groups such as 'SEND sensory play' and 'SEND chat and play' and 'SEND drop ins' (look in the timetable of events for your area).

*Please note that in Hertsmere, Physical Fun and Family Fun at 96 Shenley Road are bookable sessions.

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SignVideo for Deaf Residents (all ages)

Did you know about there is a SignVideo service which Deaf residents can use for free to contact teams in Hertfordshire County Council?

If you're a resident in Hertfordshire and want to use SignVideo, you will need to:

- Download the SignVideo app onto your smartphone
- Access the directory HCC is listed here
- This will allow you to contact HCC staff via a remote interpreter.

Find out more about SignVideo and download the app

Applications for supported internships with Mission EmployAble are open (ages 19-25)

Mission EmployAble is a charity based in Chorleywood which runs an 11-month supported internship programme for young people with an EHCP.

Interns do most of their training in Mission EmployAble's Café where they learn portable skills such as food, preparation, cleaning, using a till, teamwork and serving customers. On other days, they train, with support, in other workplaces such as a community garden, a food delivery charity, care homes, shops and pubs. They train as a group or in pairs, so make friends while they learn.

Places are available on their next supported internship programme which begins in September 2024, with initial interviews starting in February.

Full details are available on <u>the Mission Employable website</u> or by emailing <u>training@missionemployable.co.uk</u>

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Over The Rainbow SEN Support

Over The Rainbow are on the Hertfordshire County Council approved list of providers. Parents/Carers can request us as their tuition providers and it can also be self-funded.



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New Herts Haven Café for young people's emotional wellbeing opens in Hemel Hempstead



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Delivering Special Provision Locally

SEND Drop-in sessions

SEND Chat and Play

The BECC Family Centre, WD6 2FD, Monday 10:00 - 11:00 8th & 22nd January, 5th & 19th February, 4th & 18th March, 15th & 29th April

> Sopwell Family Centre, AL1 2LD, Wednesday 11:00 - 12:00 3rd Jan, 7th Feb, 6th March, 3rd April

Grovehill & Woodhall Farm Adventure Playground, HP2 7BA, Wednesday 11:00 - 12:00 3rd, 17th & 31st Jan, 14th & 28th Feb, 13th & 27th March, 10th & 24th April

> Beechfield Family Centre, WD24 5TY, Thursday 10:00 - 11:00 11th & 25th Jan, 8th & 22nd Feb, 7th & 21st March, 4th & 18th April



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