



RNIB NI Children and Families Service

Events July – September 2016

Working in partnership with Angel Eyes NI

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Supporting people
with sight loss

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Events

Digital Music Summer Scheme (5 years and up)

Dates: Monday 4 – Thursday 7 July

Venue: Nerve Creative Learning Centre, Ulidia Resource Centre, Somerset Street, Belfast, BT7 2GS

This is a fun and interactive programme using creative media to make and record your own music on tablets and computers. You will also develop digital literacy skills.

For more information or to book please contact Laura

Realise Project Share Residential (ages 13 to 16)

Date: Monday 11 – Friday 15 July

Venue: Share Discovery Village, Lisnaskea, Fermanagh, BT92 0JZ

This residential offers children the chance to get away and meet others while learning new skills and having fun. Activities include: team games, wall climbing, archery, banana boating, arts and craft. Children will learn about accessibility features on the iPad, ebooks, note taking apps, iMotion and iMovie through an IT workshop, and have the opportunity to discuss subject choice and life after school through our Career Workshop.

For more information or to book please contact Donna

Belfast Lough Sailability Family Fun Day Out (ages 7-19)

Date: Friday 15 July, 11.00am – 3.00pm

Venue: Belfast Lough Sailability, The Marina, 3 Quayside, Carrickfergus, BT38 8BJ

Belfast Lough Sailability was set up by the Royal Yachting Association to give adults and children with any form of disability the opportunity to take up water sports and learn the skill of sailing. Sailability encourages all the family to have a go, recognising the importance of having a recreational activity that is inclusive to all family members.

Lunch provided. Please let us know of any dietary requirements when booking.

Places are limited. To book please contact Charlene or Roisin

Music Summer Scheme (5 years and up)

Date: Monday 18 – Friday 22 July

Venue: Nerve Centre, 7-8 Magazine Street, Derry~Londonderry, BT48 6HJ

This week-long programme will offer the opportunity to learn from those working in the music industry. You will learn and play music as part of a band. There will also be songwriting workshops and the chance to record your song in a real recording studio.

For more information or to book a place contact Laura

Portadown Family fun day (ages 0 to 12)

Date: Tuesday 19 July, 12.00pm – 2.00pm

Venue: Peter Pan's Neverland, Unit 4 Meadows Retail Park, Portadown, BT62 3NJ

Come along for a spot of lunch and enjoy as kids have great fun in the indoor play areas. Lunch will be provided.

For more information or to book contact Roisin

Music Summer Scheme, Dungannon (ages 5 to 19)

Date: Monday 25 – Friday 29 July

Group one: 10.30am – 1.00pm, Group two: 2.00pm – 4.30pm

Venues: The Junction, 12 Beechvalley Way,
Dungannon, BT70 1BS

We are so excited to welcome the Music Rooms tutors back for our annual summer scheme. Kids aged over five will learn to play songs on drums, guitar, ukulele, bass and more whilst forming a band, creating an album and performing to family members on the last day! This event is thoroughly enjoyable and is aimed at beginners and experienced alike.

For more information or to book contact Roisin



Intergenerational Pottery Project (12 years and up)

Date: Wednesday 27 July and Wednesday 24 August

Venue: Ballydugan pottery - 171 Plantation Rd, Gilford,
Craigavon BT63 5NN

Belfast Zoo, Antrim Rd, Belfast BT36 7PN

This two-day event is a chance to get creative with people with sight loss of all ages. Priority will be given to those living in the Lisburn and Castlereagh area.

For more information or to book a place contact Laura

Summer Fun at the Zoo

Date: Wednesday 3 August, 11.00am

Venue: Zoo, Antrim Road, Belfast, BT36 7PN

This year our big summer event will be held at Belfast Zoo. Come along and check out the 150 different species of animals. Please bring a packed lunch.

To book contact Roisin, Charlene or Laura

Girls Pamper Day (10 years and up)

Date: Friday 5 August 12.00pm – 3.00pm

Venue: Ulster Reform Club, 4 Royal Ave, Belfast, BT1 1DA

Girls with sight loss aged 10 plus can enjoy a pamper day in partnership with Blind Children UK NI. With help from our friends at the Beauty Company Belfast, Boots Royal Avenue, Lush Castle Lane in Belfast and the Body Shop at Home, we plan to look at skincare and makeup and the best way to apply it, whilst also having a focus on sight loss and the tricks that might help. Light lunch provided.

As places are limited we ask that only young people with sight loss attend with one adult or guide (if necessary). For more information contact Roisin

Music Rooms Summer Scheme (ages 5 and up)

Date: Monday 8 – Friday 12 August

Venue: The Music Rooms, Unit 19, Antrim Business Park, Enakalon, Antrim, BT41 4LD

We are so excited to be welcoming the Music Rooms tutors back for our annual summer scheme. Kids aged over five will learn to play songs on drums, guitar, ukulele, bass and more whilst forming a band, creating an album and performing to family members on the last day! This event is thoroughly enjoyable and is aimed at beginners and experienced alike.

For more information or to book please contact Roisin

Sensory Kids Summer Scheme (Autism Initiative NI)

Date: Monday 8 – Friday 12 August

First session: 11.00am – 12.00pm

Second session: 12.00pm – 1.00pm

Venue: Broughshane Community Centre, Knockan Road, Broughshane, BT42 4JY

Cost: £40 (Ages 4 – 8 and 9 – 13+)

Learning to cycle is a milestone for children, providing a skill that allows for independence and social inclusion. Our fun Balanceability programme is delivered in the heart of each community, giving ASC children a safe space to learn lifelong skills alongside their peers. Each programme is facilitated by two specialist support workers. Outcomes include: increased social inclusion, improved communication skills, community interactivity and improved quality of life.

This is specifically for children with autism and their parents, run as group sessions. For more information and to book contact Mary at Sensory Kids on 07875 637 373

Snow Tubing Family Fun day

Date: Wednesday 10 August 12.00pm – 2.00pm

Venue: Craigavon Golf & Ski Centre, Turmoyra Lane, Lurgan, Craigavon, BT66 6NG

Families are invited to this popular fun day with lunch provided.

For more information contact Roisin

Realise Project Share Residential (ages 10 to 12)

Date: Monday 15 – Friday 19 August 2016

Venue: Share Discovery Village - Smiths Strand, Lisnaskea, Fermanagh, BT92 0JZ

This residential offers children aged 13 to 16 the chance to get away and meet others similar to themselves while learning new skills and having fun. It may be of particular benefit to children who haven't been on residential before. Activities will include: team games, wall climbing, archery, banana boating, arts and craft. Also, at an Information Technology workshop, children will learn about accessibility features on the iPad, eBooks, note taking apps including iMotion and iMovie.

For more information please contact Donna





Back to School Party

Date: Saturday 20 August

Venue: Playtrail, 15 Racecourse Rd,
Derry~Londonderry, BT48 7RE

Come along for a picnic and explore the gardens and play areas of the Playtrail. Enjoy face painting, balloon modelling and maybe a few other little surprises.

For more information or to book a place contact Laura

Family Fun Day – for friends and family

Date: Saturday 20 August, from 1.30pm – 4.00pm

Venue: Mary Peters Track, Upper Malone Road, Belfast, BT9 5PR

Come along and enjoy all the fun at Mary Peters Track at this fundraising event for friends and family. All sorts on offer including the Mantella Amphibian Road Show, bouncy obstacle course, painting ceramics, riding trikes and bikes, and doing a lap of the Mary Peters track using simulation spectacles! There will be refreshments to purchase on the day! Free entry but a charge will be applied to activities you want to have a go at.

For more information contact Frances Floyd at Angel Eyes NI

Watersports Fun Day (ages 8 and up)

Date: Saturday 20 August, 11.00am – 3.00pm

Venue: Craigavon Watersports Centre, 1 Lake Road, Craigavon,
BT64 1AS

Have a blast testing your water skills by banana boating, canoeing and taking part in another fun activity on this day out. Wetsuits and lunch will be provided. Transport may be available.

For more information or to book contact Roisin

BAC Residential Newcastle (ages 10 to 14)

Date: Monday 22 – Wednesday 24 August

Venue: Ardaluin House, 99 Bryansford Rd, Newcastle, BT33 0LF

This residential offers children aged 10 to 14 the chance to get away and meet others similar to themselves while learning new skills and having fun.

Buses departing Monday 22 August:

Belfast Activity Centre (BAC), Barnetts Demesne, Malone Road,
Belfast: 9.30am and Lisburn Omniplex: 10.00am

Bus dropping off Wednesday 24 August:

Lisburn Omniplex: 2.30pm and BAC: 3.00pm

Places are limited. To book your place please contact Charlene or Roisin

Back to School Bonanza

Date: Friday 26 August

Venue: Cookstown Leisure Centre, 78 Fountain Road, Cookstown, BT80 8QF

Join us for some bowling, indoor play, games and fun on the dance mats in our last big event before it's time to go back to school. Lunch will be provided. Please let us know of any dietary requirements when booking.

For more information or to book contact Charlene or Roisin

Newry Family Fun Day (ages 0 to 12)

Date: Saturday 10 September, 11.00pm – 2.00pm

Venue: Newry Fun House, Greenbank Industrial Estate, Newry, BT34 2QU

For more information or to book contact Roisin

Sensory Kids Play Morning (ages 4 and up)

Date: Thursday 15 September, 11.00 – 12.30pm

Venue: Sensory Kids, 70 Main Street, Broughshane, BT42 4JW

This is a great venue with state-of-the-art sensory play and toys.

Contact Charlene to book

Angel Eyes NI Saturday Club at Jordanstown (ages 4 to 18)

Date: Saturday 24 September, 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Venue: Jordanstown School, 85 Jordanstown Road, Newtownabbey, BT37 0QE

The Saturday Club starts back with a fun sporting session by DSNI and arts and crafts with RNIB NI. The club will be running every three weeks from September 2016 to June 2017.

For more information contact Frances at Angel Eyes NI



Realise Project Ongoing Activities

One-to-one taster sessions

The Realise Project, funded by the Big Lottery, provide one-to-one taster sessions in extracurricular activities such as swimming, music, horse riding etc for children aged 8 to 16 years old.

We also provide one-to-one technology support and career guidance for children and young people aged 8 to 20.

For more information please contact Donna McNicholl

Duke of Edinburgh Award

The Realise Project is taking bookings for the Bronze, Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award which is due to start October 2016.

We wish our Duke of Edinburgh participants of 2016 all the best as they are due to complete expeditions on the Mourne Mountains and the Netherlands over the summer.

For more information please contact Donna McNicholl



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Parent and toddler groups

Please come and join us at a group nearest to you. Have a cuppa and a scone and let the little ones have fun with lots of sensory toys. Open to children aged 0 to 4 and their parents/carers.

Antrim

Parent and Tots Antrim

Dates: Wednesday 13 July, 10 August, 14 September, 11.00am – 12.30pm

Venue: Funky Monkeys, Junction One, 111 Ballymena Road Antrim, BT41 4LL

Every second Wednesday of the month.

Please contact Charlene to book

Ballymena

Sensory Kids New Baby Sensory Class

Dates: Thursday 21, 28 July, 4 and 11 August, 11.00am

Venue: Sensory Kids, 70 Main Street, Broughshane, BT42 4JW

Cost: £35 for 4 weeks

Contact: Mary at Sensory Kids on 07875 637 373

Ballymena

Sensory Kids New Baby Sensory Class

Dates: Thursday 8, 15*, 22, 29 September, 11.00am

*Please note the class on 15 September will start at 10.00am

Venue: Sensory Kids, 70 Main Street, Broughshane, BT42 4JW

Cost: £35 for 4 weeks

Contact: Mary at Sensory Kids on 07875 637 373

Jordanstown

Parent and Tots Jordanstown

Dates: Thursday 28 July, 25 August, 22 September, 11.00pm – 12.30pm

Venue: Jordanstown School, 85 Jordanstown Rd, Newtownabbey, BT37 0QE

There will be lots of fun toys and we will use the fantastic Sensory room.

Please contact Charlene to book

Newry

Little Gems Parent and Toddler Group Newry (ages 0 to 4)

Dates: Friday 8 July, 10.30am – 12.00pm

Venue: Orana Centre, 2 Warrenpoint Rd, Newry, BT34 2PF

Children with sight loss and their siblings aged 0 to 4 are welcome to come along to our parent and toddler group, ran in partnership with Newry Surestart. Each month we will have a fun interactive activity for kids to take part in e.g animals, music therapy etc.

For more information or to book please contact Roisin

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