

YIKS VOICE

Monthly Newsletter from York Inspirational Kids



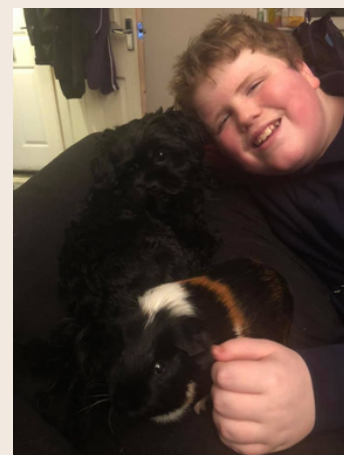
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HELLO AND WELCOME

This newsletter aims to provide specialised information to parents, carers, educators and professionals as well as the Inspirational and Ausome Kids of York.

YIKs, YAK and York Hemi Kids are support groups for parents/ carers where they can interact with each other, ask questions and share information in a safe environment. YIKs also incorporates the Parent Carer Forum where we aim to continue to work closely with York parents, City of York Council and CCG to produce good joint partnership working to continue improving services provided for disabled children and young people within the City of York.





MEET THE PROFESSIONAL WELCOME TO YIK'S NEW PARENT AND ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR

My name is Ruth Appleby and I wanted to introduce myself as I am the new Parent Engagement Coordinator for YIKs Parent Carer Forum here in York. I am also a parent carer.

As Parent Engagement Coordinator, my role is to secure the engagement of parent carers of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

This forum is for Parents and Carers of children and young people with disability or additional needs who access services in York. Join us to help shape the services available for our children and young people.

You will see me regularly host coffee mornings, parent breakfast and lunch dates. This gives the opportunity to discuss current provisions, provide updates to services but also gives you the opportunity to talk about what is important to you. Whilst we can't resolve individual issues, I can signpost you to those who can or, if it is an issue that many people are experiencing, I will take it back to the Parent Carer Forum for them to raise.

Further information or to contact me directly please go to www.yiks.co.uk or email: engagement@yiks.co.uk

JUNE WINNERS!!

CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR
200 CLUB WINNERS:

£50 MARY SHEPHERD
£25 SARAH COLLIER
£15 BECKY WARBOYS
£10 NINA MELROSE

YOUR CHEQUES ARE ON
THEIR WAY!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN
IN.

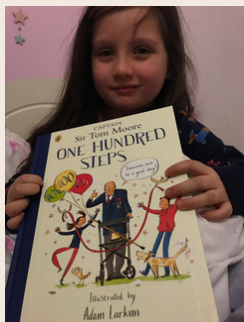
ONLY £2 PER ENTRY (MAX 5
ENTRIES)

OPEN TO ALL. PLEASE
EMAIL

YIK200CLUB@GMAIL.COM
FOR A REGISTRATION
FORM.

HUGE THANKS TO
BECKY WARBOYS
FOR RUNNING THIS FOR US.





ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

SAT CLUB 10.30- 12 NOON

HELD AT THE WILTSHIRE SUITE IN JOSPEH ROWNTREE SCHOOL 10.30-12 NOON £2 PER CHILD, FREE TEA/COFFEE FOR PARENTS

2 JULY - DRESS UP AND DRAMA WORKSHOP

16 JULY - END OF TERM PARTY

WE WILL BE BACK IN SEPTEMBER

BUGSY MALONE TICKETS FOR 31 AUGUST

2022 LEEDS GRAND THEATRE £20.50 PER PERSON (COACH AVAILABLE £7PP)



ACTIVITIES FOR PARENTS:

6 JULY 10AM PARENTS COFFEE MORNING - COSTA COFFEE COMMUNITY ROOM, HAXBY

13 JULY FROM 9AM PARENTS BREAKFAST- PEAR TREE FARM, MONKS CROSS

14 JULY PARENTS NIGHT OUT - THE BILTMORE FOR DINNER AND COCKTAILS £20PP PREBOOKING ESSENTIAL

To enquire about events
please contact
07871617465

POST 16 EVENTS

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 16-25
TO HELP DEVELOP SOCIAL AND EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

16 JUNE 2022 6.30-8PM - WHAT COLOURS SUIT YOU? WITH JACKIE CRAWFORD

30 JUNE 2022 6.30-8PM - FOOTGOLF AND PIZZA (FOOTGOLF CENTRE SHIPTON ROAD)

WE HAVE ENJOYED SOME GREAT SESSIONS SINCE THE NEW YEAR. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED PLEASE CONTACT US



I like post 16 group. we do things we wouldn't normally do and i get to have fun with my friends - G aged 17

Today has been really good. I like Inditeens. J aged 15

Other kids should come and join us. It's really good fun
R aged 15



INDITEENS - WORKING WITH EDUCATION PARTNERS ACROSS THE CITY, OUR YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD ON THEIR INDEPENDENCE AND SOCIAL SKILLS

PARENT CARER FORUM NEWS



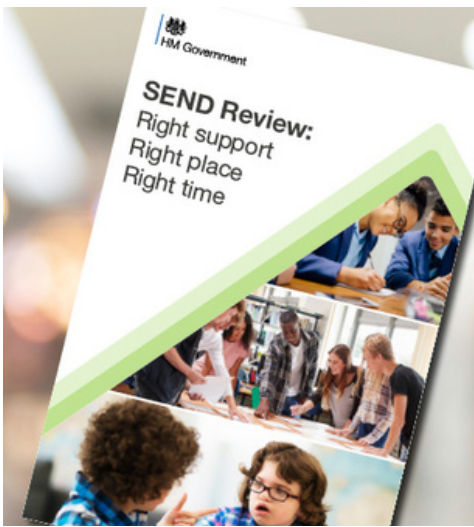
UPDATE

We have attended so many meetings this month. It's been very busy. We've been working on the SEND Green Paper and have held a consultation meeting with the Department for Education. The presentation is available for you to read through and send in your comments / feedback by 1 July 2022. We will then hold a feedback session via zoom on Wednesday 6 July 2022 at 11am. All responses will then be collated and a formal response will be sent to the DfE by the Parent Carer Forum.

If you would like to be part of this please email Ruth Appleby on engagement@yiks.co.uk and she will forward the presentation to you and send you the zoom link for the feedback session.

DfE Consultation Feedback

6 July 2022 11am



WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING?

IN MAY WE HAVE ATTENDED MANY MEETINGS & DISCUSSIONS INCLUDING:

- THE SEND IMPROVEMENT BOARD
- KEYWORKER IMPLEMENTATION
- ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE
- SEND NETWORK
- PREPARING FOR ADULTHOOD
- HOSPITAL TRANSITIONS
- DFE LOCAL AREA SUPPORTERS
- CAMHS
- CARERS STRATEGY
- COUNCIL FOR DISABLED CHILDREN

WE'VE HELD TRAINING SESSIONS INCLUDING:

- GROUP COUNSELLING SESSION

PARENT CARER SESSIONS

Drop in Counselling via zoom
Back in September 2022

PARENT CARER FORUM MEETINGS

6 July 2022 1pm via zoom

Full forum - 12 September York CVS 10:30am

4 October 7pm via zoom

11 November 09:30 via zoom

7 December 7pm via zoom

Parent Training Sessions:

30 June 1pm EHCP Workshop - book via

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/york-parent-carer-ehcp-workshop-tickets-328737642137>

4 July 9.30am York's Educational Psychology Service Parent

Workshop/Q&A Session book via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/yorks-educational-psychology-service-parent-workshopqa-session-tickets-325783105037>

CONTACT DETAILS

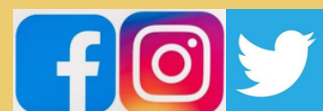
Email:

engagement@yiks.co.uk

Parent Engagement

Coordinator:

07871617365





Educational Psychology (EP) Support Line

A confidential telephone support service, staffed by Educational Psychologists, to talk through questions or concerns about children and young people's **wellbeing or learning**.

Open to **all** parents/carers of children with additional needs or SEND living in the City of York (who have not had recent EP involvement), and any practitioners working with children who live in/attend an educational setting in York.



Calls of up to 30 minutes, available during term time:

Wednesday mornings 9.30am-11.30am

From 4th May to 20th July 2022

To book a slot, please e-mail: EPsupportline@york.gov.uk

with your name and a contact telephone number.

On the following Tuesday, we will e-mail you with a time slot for your consultation. Booking for each week will close on Mondays at 5pm. Spaces are allocated on a first come, first served basis. This is a one off consultation provided by City of York Educational Psychologists on a rota basis

Please note: the helpline offers short slots to talk with a psychologist about particular concerns; unfortunately, within the time available, we cannot advise on complex situations where different agencies need to work together to support a child or young person.

Specialist Teaching Team for Autism Parent Support Summer 2022

Parent/Carer Phone Line

The Specialist Teaching Team Autism are offering parents/carers the opportunity to talk individually to a member of the team regarding general issues and concerns about children/young people with autism. 20 minutes is allocated per phone call.

Dates and times:

Wednesday 27th April 2022 9.30-11.30 am

Wednesday 11th May 2022 9.30-11.30 am

Wednesday 25th May 2022 9.30-11.30 am

Wednesday 15th June 2022 9.30-11.30 am

Wednesday 29th June 2022 9.30-11.30 am

Wednesday 13th July 2022 9.30-11.30 am

To book your place on the session, please email:

parentcarerautismsupport@york.gov.uk

This is an admin email address and we are unable to forward or respond queries via this email.

Bookings close the Thursday before the session.

We require your name and a contact telephone number for us to contact you. We will then send you an approximate time slot for your 20 minute call.

If we receive a high volume of requests we may need to allocate spaces on the session on a first come, first served basis.



A Community of Experience

Can you help us to create it?

KIDS have been appointed by the Humber, Coast and Vale Keyworker Service to develop a 'Community of Experience' for all children and young people with a learning disability, autism or both, their families and carers.

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person with a learning disability, autism or both who lives in North Yorkshire or York? If yes, we invite you to get involved in developing a 'Community of Experience'. At this event we would like to hear from you to understand your experiences. The 'Community of Experience' will:

- Be created by people with lived experience of a learning disability, autism or both.
- Direct children, young people, parents and carers to support services and information.
- Include a peer support service so that those with lived experience can help others – people with lived experience will provide this service.

To achieve this we wish to speak to those with those with lived experience to understand what your needs are. We will use what we have learned to create the service. These events will also provide the opportunity to meet other parent/carers and exchange information.

The 'Community of Experience' will support the Humber, Coast and Vale Keyworker Service, but be open to all children, young people with a learning disability, autism or both, their parents and carers across: Hull, East Riding, North Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire, North Yorkshire and York.

This event is open to parents and carers in North Yorkshire and York. If you are unable to attend this event but would like to be involved in creating the 'Community of Experience' then please do contact us.

Event to be held at:

**Friargate Meeting House,
Friargate, York, YO1 9RL**

On: Friday 8th July 2022

9.30am to 12.30pm.

Tel: 01482 467540 and ask to speak to Di or Maureen or email Mellisa.Mackell@kids.org.uk to book your place.

Refreshments will be provided



YIKs All About Autism

Are you passionate about supporting and enabling children and young people with autism? Then **York Inspirational Kids** needs you!! Based in York we are looking for staff to support our term time and holiday clubs for children and young people on the autistic spectrum.

Team Leaders

You will be passionate about all things autism, have a needs led approach and view all behaviour as communication. You will have as a minimum 2 years experience of working with autistic children/young people. You will be able to lead themed activities and manage free play whilst achieving desired outcomes for both the young people and the organisation. Hours will be 3 hours per day Mon-Fri term time (between 4-9pm depending on the day) and full days in school holidays. We can offer contracts from 6 hours per week upwards.

Support Workers

Ideally Level 3 qualified but with a minimum of working towards Level 2 and reporting into the Team Leader you will have experience of working in an after school/holiday club setting. Experience of working with autistic young people would be advantageous but not essential. Hours will be 3 hours per day Mon-Fri term time (between 4-9pm depending on the day) and full days in school holidays. We can offer contracts from 6 hours per week upwards.

YIKs All About Autism is an inspiring place to work. We are dynamic, forward thinking and rely on great team players.

Interested? Please send your CV and covering letter stating the amount of hours you are available to work to julia@groundedhr.co.uk by 30 June 2022

STIMUL8



End of Summer Ball



A charity dinner, dance,
auction & raffle

10 SEPT 2022 7 PM
THE MARRIOTT HOTEL, YORK

£45pp Strictly over 16s only

book online at
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/may-ball-tickets-289849416407

Dress code: Black Tie

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