

Welcome to our newsletter!

We have been busy this month taking Ruby's Fund on the road! We have visited families in our fabulous big pink sensory bus, launched our new Nantwich support group, delivered the first of our outreach 'pop-up' sessions and also welcomed parents to our new Art sessions in Crewe and Congleton.

Over the coming month you can now find us at the Little Stars session at Oakenclough Children's centre (fortnightly), as well as our regular sessions in Congleton, Macclesfield, Crewe and Alsager.

Contact details for services are listed throughout this newsletter. If your enquiry is non-service related the email is info@rubysfund.co.uk. All timetables and information can be found on the website through the link below:

Ruby's Fund website link

What's Going on?

Short Breaks for November

The Short Breaks team are busy planning the sessions for November. We currently have over 100 children who are seeking short breaks with us. The demand for short breaks is exceeding what we can currently offer and we are now running a waiting list for new children. In November we will be running sessions on set days as below:

We run 2 hour short breaks here at the centre. The sessions we run are 1:1 and in small groups. All children need to be registered with us and have a completed care plan and risk assessment before they can start short breaks.

Cheshire East has 10 short break providers including ourselves including Friends for Leisure, .

Please <u>click here</u> to find out more about them. You can contact them directly to see if your child can access their short break sessions or contact the Short Breaks team at Cheshire East Council <u>here.</u>

New Sessions:



Art with Alice

A warm welcome is offered at our new art workshop with local artist Alice Thatcher

Congleton Sessions 1-3pm

13.10.21 Clay 03.11.21 Mark Making 17.11.21 Collage

Crewe Sessions 1-3pm

20.10.21 Clay 10.11.21 Mark Making 24.11.21 Collage

For more information contact jenny@rubysfund.co.uk

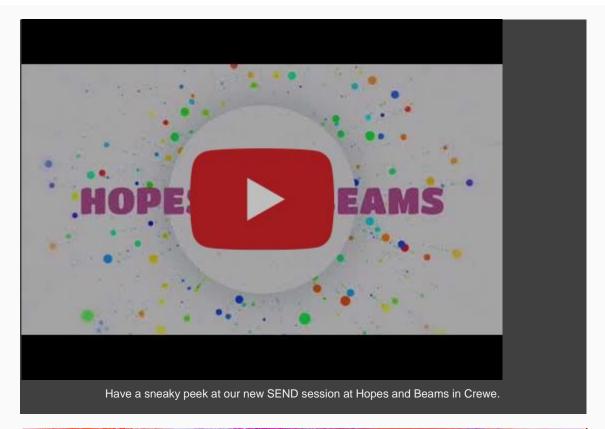




Covid safe practises in place

Venues:

Ruby's Fund, Congleton, CW12 1PG or Autism Inclusive, Crewe, CW1 5DU



NEWL RUBY'S FUND PARENT CARER GROUP @ HOPES AND BEAMS, CREWE

Have a cuppa and a chat with other parents. Sensory room, toys and outdoor play for the kids!

Join Ruby's Fund staff and our friends at Hopes and Beams and meet other families of children with any emerging or additional needs (no diagnosis needed)

When - Second Wednesday of each month

Time - 09.30-11.30

Booking - www.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund Or for more information email jenny@rubysfund.co.uk



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RUBY'S FUND @ NANTWICH CHILDREN'S CENTRE

Come along and join Ruby's Fund staff for a chat whilst playing with your children.

Join us at Nantwich Children's Centre to meet with families of SEND children (no diagnosis needed)

When - 9.30am-11.30am, 12th and 26th November
Booking - www.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund
Or email kerry@rubysfund.co.uk for more information







RUBY'S FUND SEND SUNDAY @ AUTISM INCLUSIVE

Come along to chat with Ruby's Fund staff, play and enjoy family time together. Sensory room, toys and outdoor play for the kids!

Join us at Autism Inclusive to meet with families of children with Autism or any other additional needs (no diagnosis needed)

When - 10am-12pm, Sunday 7th November, 5th December **Booking -** www.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund **Or email jenny@rubysfund.co.uk for more information**











Family support appointments

Need to talk? Do you have a child with additional needs, or worried they may have?

Book a one to one appointment with one of our family support coordinators. We can:

- Provide emotional support and a listening ear
- Help make sense of who's involved and what they do
- Signpost to other services

Booking- www.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund or email jenny@rubysfund.co.uk



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What else is on this month?:

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RUBY'S FUND PARENT CARER GROUP BROKEN CROSS CHILDREN'S CENTRE

Join us with your children for a chat with us and other parents

Join us at Broken Cross Children's Centre to meet with other families of SEND children (no diagnosis needed)

When - 10.00am - 12.00pm 6th December (1st Monday of every month)

Booking - www.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund

Or email jenny@rubysfund.co.uk for more information









Parent Carer Lunch Club

Come and join our lunch club where you can meet and chat to other parent carers for support and advice over a cuppa!

When - Tuesdays 12.30pm - 2:30pm Where - Ruby's Fund, Roe St, Congleton, CW12 1PG Book - https://www.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund/452500









Book <u>here</u>



Have a cuppa and a chat with other parents. Sensory room, toys and outdoor play for the kids!

Join Ruby's Fund staff and our friends at Autism Inclusive to meet with families of children with Autism or any other additional needs (no diagnosis needed)

When - 12.30-2.30pm. Thursday weekly Booking- www.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund









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SEND Sunday family session





Soft Play

Sensory Room

Sensory Garden

Sunday 10am - 12pm

- Monthly session
- Limited places
- £5 per session family
- Cafe open
- Peer support

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Venue:

Ruby's Fund Sensory Centre Roe Street Congleton CW12 1PG

Booking essential Email: stepherubysfund.co.uk

Book here

RUBY'S FUND SEND DROP-IN SESSION @ ALSAGER

Do you have a child with additional needs, or worried they may have?

Would you like to know about Ruby's Fund or need some advice from your SEND health visitor?

Join Steph, our Family Support Coordinator and Libby Butcher (SEND Health Visitor) for an informal chat.

When - 9.30-11.30

7th September, 12th October, 2nd November, 7th December

Booking- No booking required- just drop in!

Where: Alsager social club, longview avenue, ST7 2EA







Sibs & Parent Carer Wreath Making Workshop



Wednesday 24th November 4-6pm

Join the Broadleaf CIC team for a festive wreath making workshop for siblings and their parent or carer to have fun together and make a wreath to take home Contact: jenny@rubysfund.co.uk for details

https://app.tickettailor.com/events/rubysfund/602599









Other news



Jackie Randles from East Cheshire Chamber of Commerce visited the centre to present us with monies raised from a recent raffle at a clay shoot and lunch. The sum of £225 was raised on the raffle and £100 for a pumpkin donated by Goostrey Home & Leisure which was auctioned.

Funded Autism Assessments from Caudwell Children

The Caudwell Children charity has announced they have received funding to provide multidisciplinary autism assessments, diagnostic feedback and 12 months of post-diagnostic support to eligible children living in the UK.

Caudwell have a dedicated clinical team delivering child-centred assessments in their purpose-built centre based on the campus of Keele University in Staffordshire.

Information on how to access this service can be found here.

Grant Funders Website

We've found a really useful website which lists a number of grant funders which will support families with equipment, breaks etc. Check it out on the link below:

And just a reminder of our other services:

Family Support @ Ruby's Fund

Steph and Jess are our Family Support Workers and can help you and your family to navigate your way through challenging times where you need a little more guidance and support than usual. Examples of how Steph can help you are:

- Signposting to external organisations for support
- Support with form filling
- Support at meetings around the child
- One to one support

To contact Steph email steph@rubysfund.co.uk or call/text 07546 635403

Facebook group support

As well as our main Facebook page we run several closed Facebook groups. Here are the links and group names

- 1. Ruby's Fund Parent Carer Support Group
- 2. Ruby's Tuesday Lunch Club
- 3. Ruby's Fund Thursday Lunch Club Crewe

Private hire of our facilities

We have limited availability to hire the <u>sensory room</u>. New sessions are released weekly. Bookings are subject to availability and are in accordance with Government guidance. The sensory room costs £12 an hour to hire.

We accept payment from EHIPS & Direct Payments and can provide a receipt for your records. Please email alison@rubysfund.co.uk for more information or book directly here

Fundraising

Ruby's Fund relies on donations and fundraising to keep delivering the support to SEND families across Cheshire East. Did you know you can help us fundraise whilst shopping by registering with Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising. We don't know about you but shopping and doing good are two of our favourite things!

Register with Easy Fundraising

Register with Amazon Smile

Virtual 360 Tour of Ruby's Fund

We have been lucky to work with TMC design agency and they have made an amazing film of our centre so that you can visit before you visit! This can help alleviate worries about visiting a new place, or just to see what facilities we have at the centre. You could even go inside our sensory bus which is accessed via the sensory garden! We hope to see you all soon in person.





Experience Ruby's Fund for yourself.

www.rubysfund.co.uk





Click here for a video showing how our services can help

We couldn't do the work we do to help SEND families without your donations. We know it's a difficult time for so many people at the moment, but if you are able to help then any amount would be gratefully received (and don't forget to 'gift aid' it if you can donate).

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