

# West Berkshire Mencap *Children's Services*

OUR AIM is to operate and develop safe and happy environments for children (aged from 0–19) with learning disabilities (with or without a physical disability) in West Berkshire and surrounding areas, to play, have fun, socially interact and develop. To offer them equal opportunities in play, sport and development through various activities and outings which will be age appropriate and enjoyable, equal to their peers without disabilities.

## *HOLIDAY PLAYSCHEMES*

The West Berkshire Mencap Playscheme is a 1:1 caring environment that operates for 4 weeks in the summer holidays and day breaks at Easter and Christmas. This is for children and young adults from 3 to 19 years old with a learning disability. There are various entertainments and daily trips out to local venues. Based at the West Berkshire Mencap Centre. Times 9.30 to 3.30 excluding Wednesdays.

## *Funky Thursdays (YOUTH CLUB)*

As an extension of our After School Club activities, the Youth Club operates every Thursday (during term time) between 6.00 and 8.00. The age range is 12 to 19. The club will provide a varied fun program of activities, games and outings.

## *BUBBLE CLUB*

A parent and toddler group for children 0–5 years old with a learning disability and their siblings. The Bubble Club is held on Wednesdays between 10–12 at the West Berkshire Mencap Centre.

## *ACTIVE ZONE*

Our After School Clubs provide daily care for school aged children with a learning disability. Fun activities are available on site with a curriculum theme so the children can learn through play.

For further information please contact  
us on:

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Children's Services*

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Please note: children with physical disabilities are welcome to register for any activity operated by West Berkshire Mencap Children's Services



# Volunteering opportunities

At West Berkshire Mencap Children's Services we are always looking for new volunteers to join our team. As a volunteer you could be involved with a range of activities depending on what you would like to do: caring for children on a 1:1 basis, driving, assisting with funding applications or other administration.

We have need for 1:1 carers to supervise and play with the children or young people during school term and holidays. After school hours, evenings, week-ends and full day care during the holidays. So whatever time you can offer there is an activity waiting to gratefully receive your support.

(We do all the necessary checks and offer a wide variety of free training for all our volunteers)

Why not contact our Children's team about becoming a volunteer today.

## Children's Services Staff

"West Berkshire Mencap" employs a Children's team of two full time staff, many part time staff and lots of volunteers. The staff role is to develop and provide services for children with learning disabilities and their families. Please speak to our Children's Services team about any ideas or needs you have concerning activities and services that would benefit you and your family. Once a need is identified we can begin work on trying to meet that need. This is how our present services have developed. We are a needs led service. Our Children's team has information on a wide range of learning disability issues, including benefits you could be claiming for your child and sources of funding that may be available to you. Please call our Children's team for the support and advice you need.

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## Children's Services

A thriving group based in purpose built premises in Newbury, dedicated to providing services, fundraising and campaigning on behalf of people with learning disabilities, their families and carers.



Office open Monday to Friday 9.30 to 17.00

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