



Goalball team - first friendly tournament

The Norfolk Hares are a Goalball team, a game played exclusively by the blind or visually impaired.

In February both the adult and junior Norfolk team were awarded £1000 from the Aviva Community Fund, which has enabled them to buy the kit and equipment they needed to play in their first friendly tournament against the Cambridge Junior team on 25th March.

The three junior team members met with three Cambridge children at Norwich City College to play the game.

However competition was not the aim of the day, and the children were mixed in teams of two.

The Norfolk Hares are hoping to recruit more members.

Dissertation research info

A qualitative investigation into the interventions that are in place to promote social interactions for hearing impaired children in a mainstream primary school.

THE UEA is running a research study to find out if a mainstream primary school is providing children that have hearing impairments (HI) or those that are deaf, with the appropriate interventions to enhance their social development. The research aims to identify the areas a HI child struggles with the most in regards to social elements. The study will also focus on the practical interventions within

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a classroom, and how their participation plays a role within the child's learning and development.

You are invited to participate in this study if your child is hearing impaired and currently attending a mainstream primary setting. If you are interested in taking part in this study and would like more information, please contact:

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Suffolk Owl Sanctuary

Suffolk Owl Sanctuary will be offering free admission to deaf visitors arriving with their families or in organised groups on Thursday 30th August.

The centre is open from 10.00a.m. until 4.30p.m. and throughout the day there are 3 displays of owls and other birds of prey flying free and two meerkat feeding talks.

On this date, a BSL signing interpreter will be in residence to assist deaf visitors during displays and throughout the day.

The sanctuary is home to over 80 birds, red squirrels, ferrets and meerkats and in addition to the birds of prey, visitors can also meet Rey the Raven and Ozzie the Laughing Kookaburra.

The sanctuary also includes a pretty Woodland Walk with wildlife pond, bug hotels, ladybird houses, butterfly feeders and hedgehog teepee.

There is a relaxing sensory garden with tactile sculptural seating, water feature and wheelchair friendly "touch and smell" herb garden.

The children's play area is custom built with wheelchair accessible equipment and tumble safe surface.

All paths are level and tarmac, affording smooth travel for buggies and wheelchairs and the bird information boards bear Braille overlays.

Visitors can also enjoy an indoor interactive Discovery Centre and a unique owlie gift shop.

There is plenty of space throughout the sanctuary for picnics - alternatively, there is a bistro a few steps away.

Free parking is located right outside the centre.

If you have any questions or would like to book a group visit, please do not hesitate to contact their admin. office on 0345 680 7897

NDCS - Education Information Day - 19th May 2018

Are you thinking about school options for your child?

Getting your child ready for school: Education Information Day (2-4yrs)

Saturday 19 May 2018

Goldhay Community Centre, Peterborough

This free event, organised by the National Deaf Children's Society, for parents and carers is an opportunity to learn more about how to support your deaf child before they start school.

Topics:

- **Finding the right school**
- **Ensuring Equality & Inclusion**
- **Support & Local Services**

Book your place today:

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www.ndcs.org.uk National Deaf Children's Society, registered charity in England and Wales (1016532) and in Scotland (SC040779).
Registered address: Ground Floor South, Castle House, 37-45 Paul Street, London EC2A 4LS.

FAQs

How much does it cost?

The event is free, booking is essential

Will refreshments be provided?

Lunch and refreshments will be provided free of charge

Can I bring my children?

This is an event for parents and carers only. There will be no childcare at this event. If you do require any help or support with this in order to attend an event, please contact our events organisers who will be happy to discuss this with you.

I need an interpreter. Do you provide one?

Communication and language support is available upon request. This would include British Sign Language and other language interpreters.

Is this event for me?

Yes! If your deaf child is getting ready for school and you are making choices about their education, you can learn more about your child's rights and how to support them in school.

YoungEyes - Music Making Day - 31st May 2018

NNAB YoungEyes are organising a 'Music Making Day' for 31st May 2018. In the morning they shall have fun with an expert Beat Boxer and in the afternoon Hej with members of the Norwich Samba Band and Bryony from Slanteddance will help them to create music and dance Caribbean style.

Lunch will be provided plus ice cream and drinks.

YoungEyes would love to see you. As numbers are restricted for their venue, each vision-impaired young person is welcome to bring their brothers and sisters and up to two adult family members.

Please let Dorothy know by May 16th if you can come and the number in your family group, so that they can cater correctly.

Dorothy: 01603 629558 dorothybowen@nnab.org.uk

The event will take place at The Bradbury Activity Centre, Beckham Place, Norwich, NR3 3DZ.

Please note that parking on the site will be limited to wheel chair users only but there are public car parks nearby.

The nearest car parks are in Edward Street and by Anglia Square but if you need to park by the Bradbury Activity Centre for mobility reasons please get in touch.