

Welcome to the
**Southwark Hearing
Support Service**
(SHSS) 2024
Summer Two
Newsletter.



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In this issue, we will be giving you some ideas to keep your little and big ones busy over the summer holidays.

Our friends at **Sound Waves Foundation** (a charity that supports deaf children that was set up by two local parents of deaf children) have been in touch and wanted us to share some new resources they have developed for families, carers, schools, clubs and communities working or caring for deaf children. Their Tip Kits are 'tips' written by deaf children to educate others on how to be more inclusive and deaf aware during activities...in this case water play. They are easy to read, fun to look at, offer good practical advice and can be shared at the touch of a button.



This will come in handy with the summer holidays coming along and activities being on your minds to keep everyone busy. Head to their website to find out more [Deaf Kids Tip Kits | SoundWavesFoundation](#)

Our last session of the year for **Under Fives group** is on **Monday 15th July**. We will be having a holiday themed session followed by a picnic lunch in the park. It would be great to see as many of you as possible. For more information, contact your ToD. The group will be continuing next year and we hope to be starting some training session for parents and carers. We are looking at ways to ensure that as many of you, that want to will be able to attend. Watch this space for more information on this.

It's not just the little ones we are wanting to get together, we are looking into more ways to get the older children together. We recently had a chance to do a circus workshop with a group of children but sadly didn't have enough uptake. We will be trying again in the new year as we feel it is important for young deaf people to get together and share experiences. Again, watch this space.

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With the summer holidays just around the corner I am sure lots of you are wondering what to do to keep your little and big ones busy. We have been looking around to see what is available that might be good to try.

The summer holidays are full of opportunities from the Southwark Local Offer and other organisations. The links below will take you to see what is on offer in Southwark.

<https://localoffer.southwark.gov.uk/leisure>

<https://localoffer.southwark.gov.uk/leisure/physical-activity>

There is an exciting Summer at Southwark
www.southwark.gov.uk/events-culture-and-heritage

There are lots of **museums in London** that are free to enter and offer free activities. So, pack some lunch and see what you can find.

Free museums in London (visitlondon.com)

www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/activities-for-families-and-kids.html

www.rmg.co.uk/whats-on?audience=families

www.britishmuseum.org/visit/family-visits

We have told you previously about Remark and the great holiday clubs they provide for children and young people.

You can use the link to book sessions.

Remark! Summer clubs www.remarkcommunity.org/our-clubs

The Community Club is a pan disability weekly multisport club. The club delivers a range of inclusive traditional and Paralympic sports including Football, Basketball, Cricket, Tennis, Boccia and more. Our sports club is open to anyone with a disability, aged 8 years and older (no maximum age limit). Siblings, parents, carers, and support works can join in for free! The club is welcoming, fun and engaging for everyone

Padel tennis is a mix between tennis and squash. Padel is usually played in doubles on an enclosed court surrounded by walls of glass and metallic mesh. The court is one third of the size of a tennis court. Sundridge Park and Tennis Club run sessions for 17 – 25 year olds. More information can be found by emailing Disability.Inclusion@AccessSport.co.uk

Pop along to the **Greenwich and Docklands International Festival 2024** during August and September for lots of family fun. <https://festival.org/gdif-2024/>

The Shakespeare Globe are running some captioned and signed performances through the summer. For dates and more information [Upcoming Assisted Performances | Access | Shakespeare's Globe \(shakespearesglobe.com\)](http://Upcoming Assisted Performances | Access | Shakespeare's Globe (shakespearesglobe.com))

UK Deaf Sport are also offering lots of fun activities.
<https://ukdeafsport.org.uk/activity-finder/>

In September the **British Library** is again running Marvellous Me for families of deaf children. It will be 21st September, 10am – 4pm and is free to attend. If you are lucky you may even bump into one of us there!
<https://www.bl.uk/>

Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you all in September and hearing about all your holiday adventures.

Best wishes

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