



NEWSLETTER



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Exciting Competition! York's new SEND hub needs a name!

City of York Council is creating a new flagship hub for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) in York and their families. The Clifton Family Hub will become the new SEND hub, where you and your family will be able to get lots of information, advice and support.

Before we can tell everyone about the new SEND hub, it needs a name!

To enter the competition, please fill in the form at the end of our newsletter and email your child or young person's idea to Claire Kenny, SEND Hub Manager: claire.kenny@york.gov.uk

The competition closes on Monday 7 July.

The winner will be invited to support the grand opening of the SEND hub and will win a £50 Amazon voucher!

Your Voice Matters Join York's New SEND Youth Forum

[Click here to find out more.](#)



**York SEND
Local Offer**

City of York Council would like to hear your feedback on the **York SEND Local Offer**

Website. Please complete the short survey before the 9th July to share your views.

Joint Partnership News PCF York and City of York Council

City of York council is prioritising Joint Partnership working and PCF York have worked with Laura Brown, Participation and Engagement Officer for CYC, to review the ongoing training and audit tool which if followed and implemented effectively will accredit CYC services with a Joint Partnership Working stamp. PCF will work with CYC to review the service audits twice a year. Services can also make use of a bespoke support offer, where Laura will signpost to PCF for direct involvement to ensure that lived experience informs relevant plans across the partnership.



Childcare Needs Survey

City of York Council want to hear from parent/carers about their needs regarding early years and childcare places in York, to help the local authority plan for sufficient high quality early years and childcare places across the city.

Answers will be kept confidential and parents/carers will not be identified in any way in the reporting and use of this survey.

[Click here to complete the survey.](#)

The survey will take around 10 minutes and closes on 18th July 2025.





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Research Study for children with ADHD aged 7-11

NIHR National Institute for Health Research, NPS National Patient Safety, UNIVERSITY OF YORKE, NPS National Patient Safety, COMIC, ADHD, University of York, Kids, NPS National Patient Safety, NPS National Patient Safety



JOIN OUR PUBLIC GROUP INVOLVEMENT

We're looking for children with ADHD aged 7-11 and their parents or caregivers to join our public involvement group! The group will help us run a research study about nature activity boxes for children with ADHD and their families. We'll cover your travel expenses and give you a voucher to thank you for attending.

WHEN

10th July 2025	4:30pm-5:30pm
14th August 2025	10am-12pm
16th October 2025	4:30pm-5:30pm
15th January 2026	4:30pm-5:30pm
9th April 2026	4:30pm-5:30pm
16th July 2026	4:30pm-5:30pm
8th October 2026	4:30pm-5:30pm
14th January 2027	4:30pm-5:30pm

WHERE

YORK EXPLORE LIBRARY
AND ARCHIVE
Library Square, Museum St,
York, YO1 7DS



TO FIND OUT MORE

Contact e.kingsley@nhs.net
Ellen Kingsley 07870992859

York FIS Newsletter

[Click here to sign up.](#)

York Family Information Service's newsletter is for families with children, from pregnancy up to 19 years old, or 25 years old if the child or young person has special educational needs.

Subscribe to receive a fortnightly e-newsletter keeping you up-to-date information on services, groups, activities, parenting, health and more!

Family Fund

Helping disabled children

'Your Opportunity' Grant Applications Open

The *Your Opportunity* grants programme supports disabled and seriously ill young adults, aged 18 to 24, who are living at home.

Families caring for a disabled young person in the UK and living on a low income can apply for a grant to support their child's independence, interests and ambitions. Grant items include things like digital equipment, musical instruments, clubs and activities, sports equipment, driving ambitions, bedroom furniture, white goods and more.

[Parents and carers can apply for this grant programme here.](#)

Oscars Pathway charity is expanding its services to York. Plans are for a new disability day centre for adults with a severe learning disability, autism and complex sensory and communication needs (age 16+). Activities are all sensory based with a focus on developing engagement, communication and independence.

For more info and to be put on the waiting list, please email hannah@thesiblinggroup.org.



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But before we can tell everyone about the new hub, we need a name for it. Please support (if needed) your child or young person (under the age of 25) to come up with their idea for a name, completing and returning the form below. The winner will be invited to support the grand opening of the SEND hub and will win a £50 Amazon voucher.

Email your suggestion to claire.kenny@york.gov.uk by Monday 7 July.

Your idea for the SEND Hub name
Name of Child / Young Person
Contact telephone and email (so we can contact the winner)

I give permission for my child/ young person to enter the competition and understand in doing so, the information shared in the entry will be saved for the purpose of choosing the best name for the SEND hub. The winner will receive a £50 Amazon voucher and will be invited to lead in the grand opening of the SEND hub in September 2025 where there may be a local media presence, and additional consent will be sought for any photos taken.

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(TICK THIS BOX TO CONFIRM CONSENT)

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