

Summer Holiday Activities 2025

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Our Ark Café and Sensory Room will be open for ChAPS members during summer. Please see below our revised opening hours:

Opening Hours:

Tuesday 10am-4pm

Wednesday 10am-4pm

Thursday 10am-4pm

Our Sensory room is available for private hire, please contact us at info@cheshireautism.org.uk for more details.



Staffing Update

ChAPS are pleased to announce two additions to our staffing team! Emily has joined as our Schools and Families Lead; and Abigail as our Mental Health and Wellbeing Lead. Both bring a wealth of knowledge in their areas, particularly in supporting neurodivergent children and adults.

Please join us in welcoming Emily and Abigail to the team, who is looking forward to visiting our activities soon and meeting our members.

Parents Meet Northwich & Urban Air Trampoline Park

On Tuesday 22nd July at Parents' Meet Northwich and Wednesday 23rd July at Urban Air Trampoline Park, we will be joined by Soo Darcy, an engagement specialist from Ryder. Please see below from Soo on her reason for visiting us. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

As part of the exciting development of our <u>new Leighton hospital and health and care neighbourhood</u>, an extensive programme of engagement is being carried out by Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Ryder Architecture. It is so important that our people, patients and communities are at the heart of our plans, to make sure it meets your needs now and for the future.

We are currently listening to community groups who may be able to tell us about their experiences with health and care, including at hospital. We want to hear about any challenges that people face or ways in which their experiences could be improved. We're working hard to ensure that we are reaching out to a whole range of people in our communities, including people who may not always get chance to have their voice heard and be involved in an engagement programme such as this.

Every voice is important to us, and we need your help to ensure we listen to as many perspectives as possible.

Soo Darcy, an engagement specialist from Ryder, will be visiting for an informal chat to hear about your ideas and feedback. You do not need to have ever visited Leighton Hospital in order to participate – you may be able to tell us about your experiences of other, similar places and buildings. All feedback is useful, so please come along for a chat!



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Date:	Activity:	Location:	Age Group:
Monday 28 th July, 5pm –7.15pm	Jurassic World Rebirth Relaxed Screening	Chester Storyhouse, CH1 2AR	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Monday 28 th July, 4.30-6pm	Chester Kids Club	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	7-11 years old
Monday 28 th July, 5-6.30pm	Northwich Youth Club	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	11-17 years old
Wednesday 30 th July, 12-1.30pm	Adults' Meet Warrington	Saint Paul's Church, WA5 2RX	18+
Thursday 31 st July, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	Petty Pool College, CW8 2DR	7-15 years old
Thursday 31 st July, 7.15-8.15pm	Pool Party at Marbury Park	Marbury Country Park, Northwich, CW9 6AT	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Friday 1 st August, 11am-1pm	ChAPS Family Picnic	Brew Shed, Petty Pool College, CW8 2DR	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Friday 1 st August, 4-6pm	Zippy's Playworld	Unit 5 Grange Road, CH2 2AN	0-12 years old
Saturday 2 nd August, 4.30-5.30pm	Northwich Swim Session	Northwich Memorial Court, CW9 5QJ	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Monday 4 th August, 1-2.30pm	Crafty Club	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	18+ Adults and Parents
Monday 4 th August, 4.30-6pm	Chester Youth Club	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	11-17 years old
Monday 4 th August, 5-6.30pm	Northwich Kids Club	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	7-11 years old
Wednesday 6 th August, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	7-15 years old
Wednesday 6 th August, 10.30-11.15am	Home Ed Animal Therapy	Freedom Equine, CH2 4JT	4-18 years old
Wednesday 6 th August, 12-1.30pm	Adults' Meet Runcorn	Old Police Station, WA7 1DF	18+
Wednesday 6 th August <i>,</i> 5.30-7pm	Church Walk Paddling Pool	Percy Street, Northwich, CW9 5QG	Everyone, including siblings!
Thursday 7 th August, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	Petty Pool College, CW8 2DR	7-15 years old
Friday 8 th August, 11-1pm	ChAPS Family Picnic	Walton Hall Gardens, WA4 6SN	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!

Date:	Activity:	Location:	Age Group:
Friday 8 th August <i>,</i> 11.45am-1pm	Parents' and Adults' Walk at Delamere Forest	Delamere Forest, CW8 2HZ	18 + Adults and Parents
Saturday 9 th August, 3.30-4.30pm	Multi Sports Ellesmere Port Sport CH65 9LB		Families, including siblings!
Saturday 9 th August, 4.45-5.45pm	Ellesmere Port Swim Session	Ellesmere Port Sports Village, CH65 9LB	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Sunday 10 th August, 1.30-2.15pm	Anti-Gravity Yoga	Widnes Martial Arts Centre, WA8 0GZ	6-18 years old
Monday 11 th August, 1-2.30pm	Adult Meet Northwich	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	18+
Monday 11 th August, 4.30-5.30pm	Chester Kids Club	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	7-11 years old
Monday 11 th August, 5-6.30pm	Northwich Youth Club	ChAPS Autism Ark. CW8 1BE	11-17 years old
Tuesday 12 th August, 5-6pm or 6-7pm	Urban Air Trampoline Park	Unit 9 Navigation Park, Winsford, CW7 3RL	0-18 years old
Wednesday 13 th August, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	7-15 years old
Wednesday 13 th August, 12-1.30pm	Adults' Meet Warrington	Saint Paul's Church, WA5 2RX	18+
Wednesday 13 th August, 6.30-7.30pm	Climbing Club	North West Face Climbing Centre, WA2 7NE	7-17 years old
Thursday 14 th August, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	Petty Pool College, CW8 2DR	7-15 years old
Thursday 14 th August, 6-7.30pm	Youth Club Ellesmere Port	Theatre Porto, CH65 6QY	11-17 years old
Thursday 14 th August, 7.45-9pm	Parents' Meet Ellesmere Port	Theatre Porto, CH65 6QY	Parents
Friday 15 th August, 11am-1pm	ChAPS Family Picnic	Sandy Lane Park, CH3 5UL	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Saturday 16 th August, 4.45-5.45pm	Runcorn Swim Session	Beechwood Community Centre, WA7 2PZ	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Sunday 17 th August, 12.30-4.30pm	Animal Therapy	Freedom Equine, CH2 4JT	4-18 years old
Monday 18 th August, 1-2.30pm	Crafty Club	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	18+ Adults and Parents
Monday 18 th August, 4.30-6pm	Chester Youth Club	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	11-17 years old
Monday 18 th August, 5-6.30pm	Northwich Kids Club	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	7-11 years old
Monday 18 th August, 7-8.30pm	Spectrum Connect	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	18+
Tuesday 19 th August, 6-7.30pm	Ellesmere Port Kids Club	Theatre Porto, Ellesmere Port, CH65 6QY	7-11 years old

Date:	Activity:	Location:	Age Group:
Wednesday 20 th August, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	Theatre Porto, Ellesmere Port, CH65 6QY	7-15 years old
Wednesday 20 th August, 12-1.30pm	Adults' Meet Runcorn	Old Police Station, WA7 1DF	18+
Wednesday 20 th August <i>,</i> 5.30-7pm	Church Walk Paddling Pool	Percy Street, Northwich, CW9 5QG	Everyone, including siblings!
Thursday 21 st August, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	Chester Storyhouse, CH1 2AR	7-15 years old
Friday 22 nd August, 11am-1pm	ChAPS Family Picnic	Castle Park, Frodsham, WA6 6DG	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Friday 22 nd August, 11am-1pm	Parents' of Adults Meet	Kilton Inn, WA16 0PZ	Parents
Saturday 23 rd August, 3.30-4.30pm	Multi Sports	Ellesmere Port Sports Village, CH65 9LB	Families, including siblings!
Saturday 23 rd August, 4.45-5.45pm	Ellesmere Port Swim Session	Ellesmere Port Sports Village, CH65 9LB	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!
Tuesday 26 th August, 7.30-8.45pm	Northwich Parents Meet	ChAPS Autism Ark, CW8 1BE	Parents
Wednesday 27 th August, 9.30-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	Blue Planet Aquarium, CH65 9LF	7-15 years old
Wednesday 27 th August, 9.30-11am	Chester Parents Meet	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	Parents
Wednesday 27 th August, 12-1.30pm	Adults' Meet Warrington	Saint Paul's Church, WA5 2RX	18+
Wednesday 27 th August, 5-6pm or 6-7pm	Urban Air Trampoline Park	Unit 9 Navigation Park, Winsford, CW7 3RL	0-18 years old
Wednesday 27 th August, 6.30-7.30pm	Climbing Club	North West Face Climbing Centre, WA2 7NE	7-17 years old
Thursday 28 th August, 9.30am-4pm	Summer Holiday Club	Petty Pool Vocational College, CW8 2DR	7-15 years old
Friday 29 th August, 11am-1pm	ChAPS Family Picnic	Theatre Porto, Ellesmere Port, CH65 6QY	Everyone, including siblings and Adults!



ChAPS Summer Holiday Club Information

ChAPS are excited to announce our Summer Holiday Club plans. The holiday club will act as a trial for future years and will help shape our activities going forward.

The club is open to anyone aged between 7-15 years old, including siblings.

Each day will consist of either a theme or of two activities, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Throughout the day, we will have craft, lego, sensory items, games and sports available.

Prices are £15 per child for a full day and £10 per child for a half day (9.30am-1pm).

ChAPS will also be offering a packed lunch option to all children attending. The cost is £3 per packed lunch and will include a sandwich of choice, crisps, fruit, a piece of cake and a fruit juice.

ChAPS have been successful in its application to Police and Crime Commissioner Dan Price's SWAP Fund towards the cost of activities for our Northwich Summer Holiday Club. This grant has allowed us to keep prices per day at a low cost for our members.

Date:	Location:	Activities:
Thursday 31 st July	Petty Pool Vocational College, CW8 2DR	Superhero Day—crafts, cooking, film and outdoor sports all in the theme of superheros. Please feel free to come dressed as your favourite superhero!
Wednesday 6 th August	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	Mad Science Craft and Enerchi Dance & Sound with Lee.
Thursday 7 th August	Petty Pool Vocational College, CW8 2DR	Making Pitta Pizzas & Enerchi Dance & Sound with Lee.
Wednesday 13 th August	St Mary's Handbridge Centre, CH4 7HL	Circus Skills & Sand Art
Thursday 14 th August	Petty Pool Vocational College, CW8 2DR	Pirates and Princess Day. Crafts, Cooking, Treasure Hunt and Bingo. Please feel free to come dressed as a pirate or prince/ princess!
Wednesday 20 th August	Theatre Porto, CH65 6QY	Details to be confirmed.
Thursday 21 st August	Chester Storyhouse, CH1 2AR	Relaxed Film Screening of Bad Guys 2, with afternoon activities to be confirmed.
Wednesday 27 th August	Blue Planet Aquarium	Visit to Blue Planet Aquarium.
Thursday 28 th August	Petty Pool Vocational College, CW8 2DR	T-shirt designing and Aqua Chimp at Delamere WildShore
Monday 1 st September	Petty Pool Vocational College, CW8 2DR	End of Summer Party.

To register your child in attending the Summer Holiday club, please use the link below:

https://forms.office.com/e/UmMdp8Ev3w

ChAPS Family Picnic

Come join us for our ChAPS Family Picnic. Bring your blankets, baskets, and big smiles for a joyful time under the sun! Our community picnic is the perfect chance to relax, connect, and enjoy the great outdoors with friends, family, and ChAPS Staff. (If in the case of bad weather, the activity will move indoors with the change notified to all attendees).

There is no cost to attend, and everyone is welcome to attend!

ChAPS will be offering a picnic option to all families attending. The cost is £5 per box or £10 for a family box and will include sandwiches of choice, salad, crisps, fruit, pieces of cake and a drink.

Booking links can be found in the Activities for Families section.



Date:	Location:
Friday 1 st August, 11am-1pm	Brew Shed, Petty Pool College, Sandiway, CW8 2DR
Friday 8 th August, 11am-1pm	Walton Hall Gardens, Warrington, WA4 6SN
Friday 15 th August, 11am-1pm	Sandy Lane Park, Chester, CH3 5UL
Friday 22 nd August, 11am-1pm	Castle Park, Frodsham, WA6 6DG
Friday 29 th August, 11am-1pm	Theatre Porto, Ellesmere Port, CH65 6QY

Church Walk Paddling Pool

ChAPS have also hired private use of Church Walk Paddling Pool in Northwich on Wednesday 6th August and Wednesday 20th August between 5.30-7pm. We look forward to seeing you all there!

August 2025

Need More Help?

To make initial contact with staff, please use info@cheshireautism.org.uk and your email will be forwarded to the relevant person.

Ruth - Business Support

For Attention Cards, Gift Aid, Child Registration Forms and everything else admin

T: 03448508607

Lisa- Business Support & Support Advisor

For Advice, Signposting and Support, Halton & Warrington Post-diagnostic support, Café and everything else admin

Caron - Support Advisor

For Advice, Signposting & Support

Ian - Lead Counsellor

For information on our Counselling provision

Emily- Schools and Families Lead

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Chloe - Activities and Fundraising Manager

For Activities, Room Bookings at The Ark, Fundraising and Strategic Leader

T: 07491 001360

Emma - Head of Service

For Safeguarding, Strategic Planning, Governance, Funding and Operational Management

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