



Royal Greenwich SEND Local Offer Newsletter

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For parents and young people



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Short Breaks offer 2022



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What are Short Breaks?

Short Breaks are designed to help families to care for their disabled children by providing them with regular breaks. This is so that they can meet the needs of other children in the family; study or take part in leisure activities themselves; or carry out day to day household tasks. RBG also want short breaks to help to make sure children and young people access positive, meaningful activities.

Who can access?

Anyone aged 4-17 who lives in Greenwich and has an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan can register for Short Breaks. To register, contact the Short Breaks team, or download the registration forms on the Local Offer website.

Feedback from a parent

'Short breaks was a saviour for my daughter in lockdown as her mental health deteriorated and nothing was open and she was unable to attend school due to severe anxiety even when the school's were re-opened. 'Ahoj Centre' was the only place she was able to access at this difficult time and we was so grateful! Then when she started a new school and her anxiety got better she was able to feel ready to try something different and she picked horse riding. Initially it was a long waiting list, but she has now started her weekly lessons on a Sunday and is really enjoying it and she is learning a new skill! Whilst she was waiting she was able to access the pony mornings. Even though they are only about twice a year, she really enjoyed attending them in the holidays.'



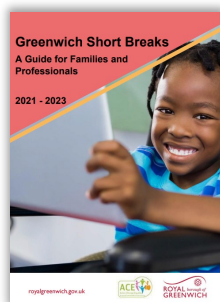
Short Breaks Survey

As part of the re-commissioning of the Greenwich Short Breaks service for 2023, we would like to collect feedback from children, young people, parents, carers and other professionals on the current service and what is provided. - all information collected is anonymous.

[Click here or scan the QR code to complete the survey](#)



[Click here or scan the QR code to download the consent form](#)



[Click here or scan the QR code to find out more and download the brochure](#)



[Click here or scan the QR code to download the registration form](#)



Top Tip

Send us your feedback....we want to know what you think about the Greenwich Local Offer website, let us know in 3 easy steps.....

1—Download the form



[Click here or scan the QR code to download the feedback form](#)

2— complete the form



Fill out Form

3— Send it back to us

Send your feedback to:

SEND.localoffer@royalgreenwich.gov.uk



Provider Updates



Tas Scooter Club

Saturday Scooter club for children and Young People with SEND.

Call 020 3651 4863

[Click here or scan the QR code to find out more](#)



The All Aboard Club



LEWISHAM: Lochaber Hall Community Centre

[Click here or scan the QR code to find out more](#)



Free School Meals

Many families are entitled to free school meals but are not claiming this support.



Free school meals support in the form of supermarket vouchers or food parcels will be provided over the school holidays for all children who are registered for free school meals.

Apply as soon as possible to your school or local authority so that you don't miss out.

Could your child be entitled to a

FREE school meal?

[Click here or scan the QR code to find out more](#)



GET INVOLVED!



[Click here or scan the QR code and visit our website to find out more](#)

The Greenwich Parent Carer Participation Forum brings together parents and carers of children and young people with SEND in the borough: We would love to receive your personal testimonials in regard to the Local Offer Page. Your voice is paramount in making improvements to services and what better place to start than the Local Offer.

Please visit our forum website and join in participating for our SEND children and Young People in RBG. Together we share different stories but have a common interest as parents and carers. Our forum meetings are pivotal in examining issues within the SEND community such as housing, short breaks, health, and EHCP processes to mention but a few.



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Also a quick reminder that we are still recruiting and training SEND Parent Champions to be our voice in the local community. If you are interested please contact us on

admin@greenwichpcpf.org



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Coming next time in issue 7....

Find out more about what's on over the summer holidays including where you can make a chocolate lolly!

