



## Snippets 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019

- **Devon Disability Network and The Max Card**

The Disability Network helps to keep you informed about available services in your area. It gives you opportunities to be involved in consultations, and in designing services for Children and Young People with SEN and/or disabilities. The information from the Disability Network will also help Children's Services to build a broader picture of SEN and disability across the county from a family's perspective, and understand local needs for services. When you register your child or young person (0-25) Disability Network will send you a free "Max Card". This will give you free or discounted admission to over 800 attractions nationwide. Find out more here: <http://devon.cc/disability-network>

- **SEND Strategic Review 2018-19**

Every year, Devon County Council reviews its SEND provision to ensure it is in the right location; of good quality; and that there is a good match between demand and supply. They need the views of parent carers, children and young people, and professionals and practitioners to help with this review.

These surveys are open until 15th February. Website with the surveys is here: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/archives/7971>

- **Devon Parent Carer Voice**

DPCV is looking to develop and strengthen a robust and effective partnership between parent carers across Devon and their professional colleagues who commission and provide services and support for disabled children and young people. As part of this development they are holding an information workshop to unpick and understand the meaning of participation and co-production and how working together can result in more positive outcomes for disabled children, young people and families. The workshop will take place on 5th February 2019, 10am-3pm, County Hall, Exeter. To find out more go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/strengthening-partnerships-workshop-parentcarers-tickets-53853297663>

- **Ready When You Are**

Thousands of people across Devon are overlooked for jobs because of mental health conditions, learning disabilities and autism. They're skilled and ready to work. Jobcentre Plus offers free bespoke advice about how to attract, recruit and retain disabled people, the support on offer, and the benefits of becoming Disability Confident. To find out more go to: <http://ow.ly/FGqT30ng5CL>

- **Morrisons Totnes - Quiet Hour**

Every Saturday from 9am -10am the store offers an hour where the lights are dimmed, no music playing or loud announcements.

To find out if your local Morrisons offers the same service have a look at their website: <http://ow.ly/YhEs30ng4QJ>

- **DSActive (Down Syndrome Active)**

The first DSActive football session of 2019 is this Saturday 12 January from 11am – 12noon at Wonford Sports Centre, Rifford Rd, EX2 6NF. Ample free parking at the Centre.

Skills, matches and fun for girls and boys run by FA-qualified coaches. The 'official' age range is 5-16 years, but if your boy/girl is younger/older than this and would like to join in, this is often possible – For more details contact Harriet on 01392 410817 or 07480 301 244

- **Dignity - Personal Hygiene for Sensory Issues**

If your child struggles with personal hygiene due to sensory issues Dignity have some great products and FREE resources to make personal hygiene a stress-free part of daily living, they offer products such as:

•Waterless Shampoo •Unflavoured Toothpaste •Super-soft Toothbrush •Epsom Bath Salts. For more information go to: <http://ow.ly/Qt1D30nfbLa>

- **Own It**

The BBC Own It website is aimed at 9 to 12 year olds to help them maximise opportunities in the digital world as well as helping them to develop the confidence and resilience to tackle the everyday challenges they face online. The site includes quick links to charities and organisations including Childline to provide urgent support should children need it. To find out more go to: <http://ow.ly/XQS030hBa1t>

- **Inspire Interventions**

Inspire Interventions service offers support to children, young people and families through bespoke 1:1 interventions. Their sessions are tailored to meet the individual needs and focus on their social and emotional wellbeing. They are a 24/7 service and aim to be as flexible as possible to meet the needs of their young people and families. To find out more information go to: <http://www.inspireinterventions.co.uk/>

- **Parents United Through ASC/ADHD**

Parents United are a group of parents/carers with young people or persons on the Autistic Spectrum and/or ADHD. Diagnosed or going through the process.

They are a friendly casual group of parents meeting every 2 weeks on Tuesdays during term time. Why not go along and join them at the Great Western Hotel in Tiverton from 10am to 11.30am.

Forthcoming dates are:

Tuesday 15th January, 29th January, 12th February, 26th February, 12th March, 26th March, Easter Break 30th April

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<http://devon.integratedchildrensservices.co.uk/signpostplus/>

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