



Snippets 21st February 2019

- **South Devon Autism Forum – Clip ‘n Climb Exeter**
Saturday 23rd February from 4.30pm – 6.00pm at a cost of £3.00 per child. This Subsidised family event is planned for families with one or more autistic children from 5-16yrs, siblings welcome.
Venue: Clip ‘n Climb Exeter, Haven Banks, Exeter EX2 8AX. Booking is essential as places are limited and priority will be given to children living in South Devon. To book a place email: southdevonautismforum@gmail.com
- **Improving Practice, Improving Every Life**
10th Anniversary Autism Professionals Conference, 7th and 8th March 2019, International Convention Centre (ICC), Birmingham.
The annual two-day conference is a unique opportunity for professionals to discuss best practice and share learning. With three different seminar streams to choose from there is something for everyone.
To find out more and book a place go to: <http://ow.ly/2NXP30np2eL>
- **Disabled Motor Insurance and Travel Insurance with Medical Conditions**
Fish Insurance is one of the UK's biggest disability insurance providers.
For information on the range of insurance they offer go to:
<https://www.fishinsurance.co.uk/>
- **Dangerous Dads South Devon**
Saturday 23rd February from 1pm-4pm Silly Science and water powered rockets. Be a scientist and make a rocket blast off! All equipment and materials supplied. Dads, male carers and granddads welcome with boys and girls of all ages.
Meet at Daisy Family Centre, next to St Johns School, Bridgetown, Totnes TQ9 5TZ
Free event, donations welcome. For more details contact 07731795160 or go to:
www.dangerousdads.org.uk
- **SpecialEffect – The Gamers charity**
Putting fun and inclusion back into the lives of people with physical disabilities by helping them to play video games.
Using technology ranging from modified joypads to eye-control, SpecialEffect are finding ways for people to play to the very best of their abilities. They are not just doing it for fun, by levelling the playing field, they're bringing families and friends together and having a profoundly positive impact on therapy, confidence and rehabilitation. To find out more go to: <https://www.specialeffect.org.uk/what-we-do>
And for Visually Impaired children have a look at Audazzle: <http://www.audazzle.com/>
- **iPad grant scheme for blind / partially sighted children and young people**
RNIB and VICTA are working in partnership to support blind and partially sighted children and young people to study with greater independence, using technology. If you are registered blind or partially sighted, a UK resident and aged between 11 and 25 years you could be eligible for an Apple iPad Air 2 32GB with a protective

case. To find out more and apply go to: www.victa.org.uk/grants or call VICTA on 01908 240 831

- **University of Exeter are recruiting for Healthy Parent Carers Programme**
Parent Carer's health is overlooked. Take some time for YOU this year. Take part in free Healthy Parent Carers programme, funded by the NHS and National Lottery. Sites still available are Dawlish, Bideford, Minehead and St Austell. The organisers will need to speak with you so please send your contact number to healthyparentcarers@exeter.ac.uk so they can sign you up before the deadline. Get in touch on 01392 722968 if you'd like to find out more details. Or have a look at the website <http://sites.exeter.ac.uk/healthyparentcarers/>
- **The Max Card**
The Max Card has been funded by Devon County Council and is free to families with children aged 0-25 who have SEN and or a disability. It allows the eligible child or young person free or discounted admission to more than 800 attractions nationwide, over 60 of which are in Devon and Cornwall. To find out more go to: <http://ow.ly/IRJi30nKDpA>
- **Devon Information Advice Service (DIAS)**
Tuesday 12th March 2019 between 10.30am and 12.30pm at Old Heathcoat School Community Centre, 81 King Street, Tiverton EX16 5JJ.
If you have a child or young person with SEN or a disability, and you want to get more out of your meetings with their school or college, then this free interactive session is for you. To find out more and book your place go to: <http://soc.devon.cc/CyNcO>
- **PenCRU - Annual Report 2018**
PenCRU are pleased to announce the publication of their Annual Report 2018: <http://www.pencru.org/aboutus/annualreports/>
The report celebrates the progress and achievements over the last year, hopefully the information is of broad interest to families, clinicians, researchers and all those working with disabled children and young people.
If you would like further information, contact:
PenCRU team, PenCRU Peninsula Cerebra Research Unit for Childhood Disability Research, University of Exeter Medical School, Room 1.01 South Cloisters
St Luke's Campus, Exeter EX1 2LU or call: 01392 722968

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