



Friends - Play for Disabled Children
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Summer 2025

What a busy 3 months planning our busy Summer holidays and we've also been working hard behind the scenes creating a new 'My Account' section of the website so you can now see your past orders and we can send digital tickets to your account much easier.

We have now got over 1100 families who have registered with our charity. What an achievement!!

Paula, Mel and Emma x



Sponsored Zip Wire

- In April, 4 brave volunteers have raced down at 100mph the Velocity Zip Wire raising over £1700. An amazing amount of money. Thank you!!

Upcoming Events

- 24/7 Day trip to Llandudno
- 31/7 Day trip to Eureka
- 6/8 Air Nation
- 20/8 Puddle Project
- 21/8 Drayton Manor
- 26/8 Chester Zoo
- 27/8 Tea at Spaceworld
- 14/9 Sponsored Walk
- 17/9 Ninja Warrior
- 27/9 Puddle Project
- As well as our new weekly timetable of choir, yoga, dance and aerial hoop.

Help us Fundraise

- Help us earn money whilst you shop – please sign up and shop online via 'easyfundraising'. It's completely free to do so and you won't spend any extra, but it allows us to collect donations every time you shop. www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends
- St Helens Community Lottery is an exciting weekly lottery that raises money for good causes in St Helens. For every £1 ticket you buy, 50p will go to our Friends Charity and 10p goes to other local good causes in St Helens and improving our community.
<https://www.sthelenscommunitylottery.co.uk/support/friends---play-for-disabled-children>



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Donations Received

Easter HAF & St Helens Council Ward Grant
Saint Safe Grant
Pride of Britain donation LCVS Rushworth
Trust Grant

THANK
YOU!



Operation Ouch! Brains, Bogies and You

Families got hands-on with science, learning all about how the brain works, why we sneeze, what snot is made of, and how our bodies keep us healthy. The children loved diving into the gross (but fascinating!) facts about bodily functions, and there was lots of laughter and excitement as they moved through the different zones. There were plenty of opportunities to play, learn, and explore. Whether testing our reflexes, discovering how messages travel through the nervous system, or giggling at the gooey bogie station, every family found something fun to do.

Day out with Thomas on the ELR

A fun-packed afternoon at the East Lancashire Railway to celebrate 80 years of Thomas the Tank Engine. It was truly *Time to Party with Thomas*—and party we did! We had a ride behind Thomas, a real steam engine, we saw live performances and had creative fun in the Thomas & Friends Play Pod. Thank you to everyone who joined us—you made the day truly special. Until next time, keep chugging along with a smile!



Gulliver's World

Despite the gloomy skies and relentless rain, families turned out in full force for a fantastic day at Gulliver's World in Warrington – and what a day it was! Umbrellas were up and raincoats zipped, but the drizzle did nothing to stop the laughter, smiles, and sheer joy that filled the park. From classic rides like the Antelope Wooden Coaster to magical moments with mascots and characters, families embraced the weather and made the most of every minute.

Friends - Play for Disabled Children is a registered charity supporting families in St Helens and the surrounding areas. Our charity number is 1167995. We are registered in England & Wales.

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