

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

All sessions below will take place at Kimberworth Place at the day and time listed. If you would like to book a place, then please email visualimpairmentteam@rotherham.gov.uk. Places are given on a first come first served basis, and at times are limited. There is no charge for these events. Please contact us if you would like to attend but have any difficulties doing so.

Pupil socials- all ages

These events are for pupils of all ages. Children under 6 need a parent/carer to stay with them but older children can be dropped off. There will be space to wait for pupils (with coffee and tea).

- **Pumpkin carving-** Wednesday 23rd October 4-5pm
- **Festive crafts-** Wednesday 4th December 4-5pm
- **Valentines themed-** Wednesday 12th February 4-5pm
- **Chocolate making-** Wednesday 16th April 4-5pm
- **Ice cream social** Wednesday 18th June 4-5pm

Pupil learning session

These sessions are suitable for students who use technology to help their access in year 4 upwards. These sessions will help your child with their independent access to their education, especially moving towards secondary school or exams. Schools will allow pupils to attend these session without impacting their attendance. Sessions are to be attended independently and pupils to be dropped off and collected where possible.

- **Bookshare-** learn how to access a range of books, including audio books. Tuesday 1st October 2-3pm
- **Dolphin easy reader-** learn how to adapt text quickly and easily to make it accessible Tuesday 11th March 2-3pm

Parent/carer events

These events are for parents/carers and will include an information session on the theme and then chance to speak to the team and other parents/carers. These are designed to be informal and a chance to meet other families. Hot drinks and breakfast will be provided.

- **Independence skills -** Monday 23rd September 10am-12pm
- **Introduction to Sensory processing needs-** Thursday 7th November 10am-12pm
- **Developing early sensory skills -** Monday 20th January 10am-12pm
- **Introduction to accessibility using technology -** 24th March 10am-12pm
- **Preparing for transitions** Monday 19th May 10am-12pm
- **Social and emotional impact of sight loss -** Monday 7th July 10am-12pm

Parent learning sessions

These are information/training sessions, designed to give information.

- **Cortical Visual Impairment-** almost half of our children access our CVI programme. CVI is the leading cause of Visual Impairment in children worldwide. It is caused by the brain struggling to process what the eye sees. These are repeated sessions on: Monday 7th October 11am-12pm
Wednesday 29th January 2-3pm
Monday 5th May 11.30am- 12.30pm