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Dates for Your Diary

Monday 29th November 7.30pm at Le Rondin School – AGM

It is time for our AGM which this year we are going to hold at Le Rondin School. This is where our sensory toy library is located so we thought it a great opportunity for you to be able to browse items and see what is available (see below). One of our committee members will be doing a short presentation to introduce the library to you and explain some of the reasons behind using sensory equipment with children on the autistic spectrum.

There are also new library books which will be available to borrow – the newly updated list of titles is available on our website by [clicking here](#) but there are further items on pre-order that we are waiting for. If you have any books currently on loan that you are finished with please bring them along to return. If there are any specific books that you would like to see in the library please let Catherine Hall know (see contact details below) and we will try our best to source it.

Please see the [proposal form](#) to propose or second nominations for Branch Officer, Branch Treasurer plus up to 6 committee members. If you would like to find out more about what being on the committee involves please contact any of the current members using the contact details at the bottom of this newsletter. Forms must be returned to Judith Pattimore by Friday 26th November.

For catering and seating numbers please RSVP to Judith via email jpattimore@cwgsy.net or phone 243320 if you are attending.

Sunday 5th December 3-5pm at Western Community Centre (Styx) – Family Christmas Party



This party will follow the same format that has worked successfully at previous events. There will be Christmas arts and crafts, bouncy castles, face painting, toys, a party tea and (hopefully) a visit from a man in red!!

This will be a free event for families with a child with autism and their family and friends, but donations of adult cakes or children's party food would be gratefully received (sandwiches, crisps and nibbles, cocktail sausages, pizza slices, vegetable crudites, fruit plus small biscuits or cakes.) If your child has any special dietary needs please let us know when you RSVP.

RSVP to Jo Horsepool via email info@nasguernsey.com or phone/text 07781 122234 (outside of school hours please)

Sensory Toy Library

We have used some of the money raised by the Sunset Ball to purchase new resources for the sensory toy library. The library is housed in a cupboard in the hall at Le Rondin School and is available for parents of special needs children and professionals to borrow.

Items now include sensory lighting, musical instruments, wooden puzzles and early development toys, fine motor skills resources such as beads and lacing cards, gross motor skills resources such as balance boards, balance beams, stepping stones and a giant spinning top as well as a writing slope, lap weight and vibrating pillows. This means that there are things for different ages and developmental stages. We also have a number of resource books for fine motor skills, cutting skills and gross motor activities which could be carried out in the home.

There will be no charge for borrowing items but there is a registration form to complete to join the library.

The catalogue of resources is available to view on our website [by clicking here](#). All items are numbered for ease of reference and will be borrowed on a first come first served basis. There is no maximum borrowing time, although if you have something out on loan that is requested by someone else we may contact you to kindly find out when it can be returned.

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Easy Fundraising

Just to say thank you to the 9 additional people who have signed up to use Easy Fundraising since the last email bulletin. Together we can hopefully raise a reasonable amount through our online Christmas shopping.

For details of how this scheme works and how you can raise money effortlessly please see www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/nasguernsey

Previous Events

Sunset Ball

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Sunset Ball way back on September 18th by providing sponsorship, offering goods and services free of charge, donating raffle prizes or buying a ticket and coming along. With generous support from Mourant-Ozannes we managed to raise £6,031 for the local branch!

Photographs of the evening taken by Tim Langlois can be viewed on his website www.langloisphotographyshop.com Please do order prints if you were there, Tim was very kind to come along at no charge so it is a great opportunity to get some lovely photos for a very reasonable cost.

Annette Henry Walk

We were nearly fully booked on 4th October when Annette took 30 of us on a fascinating tour around St Peter Port, through a dark Candie Gardens and up Victoria Tower by torchlight! We were so lucky with the weather as it was a perfect evening to be outside. Thank you to everyone who joined us, as this was so popular we hope to repeat it next year!

Halloween Party

Our Halloween family party was well attended by 35 children who enjoyed activities including decorating gingerbread men, arts and crafts and toys plus a fantastic magic show kindly given by Lars Henningsen.

All ideas for 2011's event calendar will be greatly received – what do you want us to organise for parents, families, siblings, friends and families? Any fundraising suggestions? If you are able to come on board and help us organise even just one event, do get in touch. We know that you all lead busy lives but extra assistance is always valuable and will help us be able to provide a greater range of activities for the Branch.

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