



THE INSIDE SCOOP

WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR FAVOURITE COMMUNITY...

REFLECTIONS AND REVELATIONS!

We've already kick started the year with some great activities including indoor golf, pony care, art classes and our first trip to a panto! We have lots of exciting things to look forward to this year with new projects launching such as our Brick Clubs, Minecraft, Even More MOOS and have ambitious plans to expand on our current delivery and projects. We'll be doing more of what we all know and love and will be offering brand new experiences.



Reflecting back on the last year gives us a great sense of pride. We have made some awesome memories doing some amazing activities. We've tried new experiences such as cricket, slime making, dance and visiting new farms amongst revisiting many of the SEND Socials favourites such as discos, tobogganing, swimming and trips out to local and not so local attractions such as Cadbury World and Weston-Super-Mare.



We've welcomed just over **1,000** new people to the Facebook group and members have gone above and beyond in terms of making that (probably) the best forum for any SEND parents / carers in Birmingham. There have been **3,685** posts in the Facebook group over the last year and a staggering **39,648** comments made on posts! Now that is a lot of support, information, experience sharing, reassurance and love given to one another. Just incredible, thanks to each and every one of you who contribute to make it the success it is.



Highlights include getting the website and a new booking system which is much more efficient than our legacy system. In the last 6 months since it has been live we have already put through well over **3,000** tickets* on activities and **143** events! *tickets doesn't always mean spaces - some tickets are valid for whole families etc.

Of course, the icing on the cake was to be awarded Coronation Champions for our commitment to volunteering with the once in a lifetime experience of attending a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace.



DO YOU NEED A CHALLENGE FOR 2024?

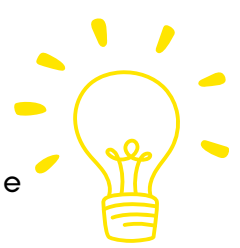
Are you a whizz at making cakes? a budding Mo Farrah with a desire for running? Maybe your business or the company you work for is looking for a cause to support? We are very grateful for any fundraising that you may be able to do on our behalf.

Fundraising is one of the things we rely upon to subsidise our events. The more we raise the more opportunities we can offer and the more SEND Socials can contribute for the overall cost of events.

Please get in touch with us if you have an idea you would like to run by us. Once we have authorised your fundraising activity, we will set you up a fundraising page which you are free to share with your network.

Need some inspiration? Here's some ideas of what people have done for us before:

- Quizzes
- Tough Mudder
- Half Marathon
- A swimming challenge
- Bake Sale



You can also make regular donations or a one-off via our donations portal, just scan the QR code to take you there.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Can you spare some time to help with our delivery? Do you have a skill you could lend us for some of our sessions, for example baking, arts and crafts? Can you support us in any other way? We'd love to hear from you!

<https://sendsocialsbirmingham.co.uk/get-involved/>

2023 DELIVERY RE-CAP!

Aside from our school holiday provision and monthly exclusives which accounts for the bulk of our delivery and thousands of spaces we also run several other projects. ..



36 weekly activities plus the launch of our "Even More MOOS" delivery which totalled an additional 15 sessions across 5 weeks.



10 x monthly sessions and 18 youth club sessions



8 nights out



25 coffee mornings