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# Fun Newsletter November 2015

*Happy Birthday to  
F.UN Member  
Ethan on his 14th  
birthday!  
Ethan had great fun  
hurtling down the  
big slope at  
Ski Rossendale  
in October with  
instructor Dom.*



*F.UN Kids  
ready to rock!*



## Fearnhead Community Centre, Insall Rd, Fearnhead

Drop in session from 10.30 am – 1.30 pm

£2 per family per session. Healthy lunchtime snack for the children, tea and coffee for parents. Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer who must be responsible for their child/children throughout the session.

### Next Fun Clubs —

14th November

28th November

Last F.UN Club for 2015 - 12th December at Fearnhead Centre Christmas Grotto

If you would like any further info on F.UN Club activities,  
please call the F.UN Office on 0743 267 6713

## November's Relaxed Films

### **This November welcomes vampires, dinosaurs and Minions!**

\*ODEON tickets may be subject to a £1 Blockbuster charge if the film is a new release.

\*\*There may be a 7 minute Pixar short called Lava before the start of Inside Out.

Hotel Transylvania 2 at selected [Cineworld cinemas](#) on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 11am.

The Good Dinosaur at selected [ODEON cinemas](#)\* on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 11:30am.

Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 2 (12A) on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm. This is at nine selected cinemas taking part in the [ODEON\\* trial screenings for older audiences](#).

Minions at selected [Vue cinemas](#) on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 10am.

### **October's film**

Inside Out\*\* at selected [Vue cinemas](#) on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 10am.

As always, adjustments will be in place for all of the screenings. These include:  
lights being left on low, no adverts, lower sound levels, people being able to move around the cinema and able to take their own food.

Please remember ODEON's trial of Autism Friendly Screenings for older audiences are screened at 6pm on the Monday following ODEON's usual Autism Friendly Screening, at [nine cinemas selected to run the trial](#). Find out what will be showing at a cinema near you.

### Key points:

- Vue and Showcase films start at 10am, Cineworld films start at 11am and ODEON films start at 11.30am and 6pm for the adult screening trial – there are no trailers so please make sure you are seated in time
- Tickets can be booked from 5pm on the Tuesday before the screening through the ODEON accessibility helpline number 0800 138 3315. Or book [online](#)
- ODEON tickets may be subject to a £1 Blockbuster charge for new releases  
Vue tickets can be booked [online](#) or for information call 08712 240 240

## ***FORTHCOMING F.UN EVENTS***

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### ***ILLUMINASIA & BLACKPOOL LIGHTS.***

*This trip is now fully booked.*

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### ***F.UN FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY***

***Sunday December 13th***

*This year F.UN is celebrating Christmas with a difference!*

*Join us at 1.15 pm for a*

***BUFFET LUNCH AT DAYS INN, CHESTER NORTH***

*(Welsh Road, Chester, CH52HX GB )*

*before we carry on to Chester Zoo for the fabulous  
LANTERN MAGIC at 5pm.*

*Watch the festive characters lead Father Christmas through the zoo,  
after the walk you are welcome to stroll around the zoo after dark to enjoy  
all of the night time sounds, the beautiful lantern lit gardens  
and the magnificent larger than life animal lanterns.*

*Booking is now open, ONLY by*

*Email: [familiesutd@yahoo.com](mailto:familiesutd@yahoo.com) or text 0743 267 6713 please,  
quoting your membership number.*

*A refundable deposit of £10 is required to confirm your places.*

## **Coram Children's Legal Centre**

The Coram Children's Legal Centre is a National charity that specialises in law and policy affecting children and young people. It offers advice on all areas of family, child and education law. Coram also provides access to [free factsheets](#), a virtual assistant for on-line support and free legal helpline. The instant messaging facility is available from 9am to 6pm, Monday to Friday.

The Legal Helpline: 08088 020 008 is open 8am to 8pm, Monday to Friday. A voicemail facility is available outside these hours. [www.childrenslegalcentre.com](http://www.childrenslegalcentre.com)

## **Disabled Children Parents' Guide: Social Care, Housing and Health**

Cerebra have produced a guide for parents of disabled children (under 18 years) on how to get help for their child's social care, housing and health needs. It provides information on the responsibilities and the duty of care of NHS bodies and Local Authorities for providing health and social care as well as accommodation for disabled children and their families.

For young people going through transition to adult services this document [Transition to Adulthood - a Guide for Parents](#) may be helpful. [www.cerebra.org.uk](http://www.cerebra.org.uk)

## **My Rights Your Responsibilities**

The Council for Disabled Children have produced a new information pack for parents of disabled children "My Rights Your Responsibilities". It includes information on children's right of access to activities, community facilities and other services. This is a comprehensive resource looking at eight different issues and the reasons that are often cited for not including disabled children. It then provides 3 things that can support your child - the law, guidelines and good practice. This is detailed for each of the eight areas. [www.ncb.org.uk](http://www.ncb.org.uk)

### **Best Interest Decisions**

A new tool has been produced to help ensure families are involved in "[Best Interest Decisions](#)". Ambitious about Autism, Mencap and the Challenging Behaviour Foundation have worked with Irwin Mitchell Solicitors to create a useful resource highlighting the rights of families under the Mental Capacity Act 2005. This free tool includes a downloadable leaflet and two template letters.

It aims to support parents who are concerned that they are not being properly consulted about decisions that social care or health professionals are making about their son or daughter from the age of 18. These may be decisions about where the person lives, what care they are getting, how they spend their time, or medical treatment.

### **Bedroom Tax**

Contact a Family has produced two template letters to help families with disabled children challenge the bedroom tax.

- Letter for those in Social Housing
- Letter for those renting in the private sector

Visit: [www.cafamily.org.uk](http://www.cafamily.org.uk)

