

# Summer 2025 Newsletter

Issue 30



**LOLLIPOP (YORK & DISTRICT)**

Supporting children, young people and families with deafness



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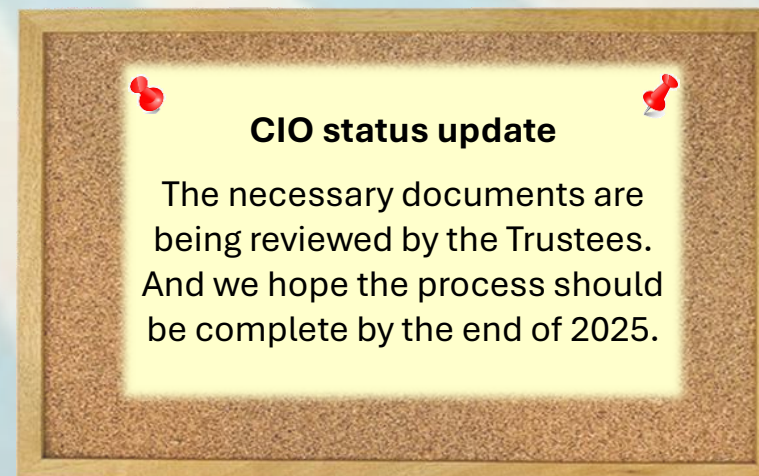
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**Cover images: Members at Animals in Reach in West Lutton, Yorkshire Muddings near Stamford Bridge and rafting at Live for Today, Ripley Castle.**

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# Summer trip to Newby Hall

**We've partnered with the North Yorkshire Teachers of the Deaf to bring Lollipop members age 0 – 10 a fantastic Summer activity on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August!**



**Look out for the email invitation and booking link in your inbox!**

This activity is also open to D/deaf children who are not existing members of Lollipop but who have been invited by their Teacher of the Deaf in North Yorkshire. We hope that they will come along and join Lollipop at this event, we will give them a warm welcome and details of all our brilliant activities coming up later this year!

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# Activities coming up in September and October

There's lots of photos from our late Spring and Summer term activities in the pages below, but first here is what members can look forward to in September and October!

## September

Calling members of all ages!



Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September | 11am – 1pm  
Includes lunch!

## October

Ages 0 – 5 | World of Their Own, Harrogate  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Ages 6 - 11 | Action Zone, Harrogate (Nerf Wars)  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Ages 12+ | Action Zone, Harrogate (Laser Combat)  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October



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# Activities coming up in November and December

## November

Ages 0 – 7 | The Web Adventure Park, York  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Ages 8+ | Teamworks Go-Karting, York  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November



## December

For all ages and for all the family – our Christmas party has entertainment for all!

Bishopthorpe Sports and Social Club  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**If you're a member or a parent  
and have an idea for an  
activity, we'd love to hear from  
you! Email Anna at  
[info@lollipopYork.org.uk](mailto:info@lollipopYork.org.uk)**



[Click here for a printable Programme of Activities](#)

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# Late Spring term activities

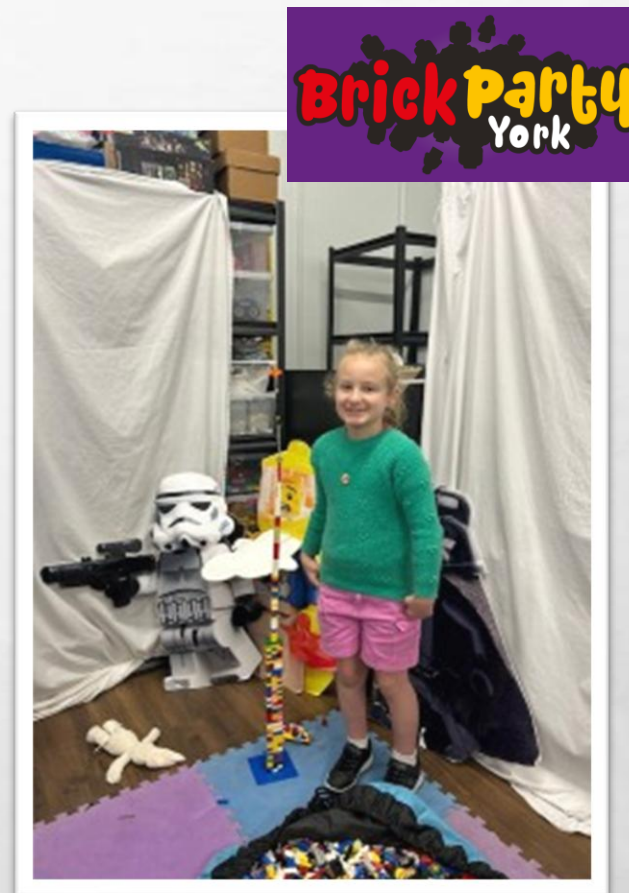
Photos from our April activities!



The amazing set-up, thanks to Nicola at Trainmaster North Yorks!



Tower building teamwork at Lego Minifigs and Bricks!



Trainmaster session for ages 0-5

Lego party for ages 6 – 11

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# Late Spring term activities cont'd

**Photos from our April activity for ages 12+ at Pizza Express, York Designer Outlet.**

Pizza making, followed by...  
pizza eating with Lollipop friends!



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# Summer term activities

Our outdoor activities in May made the most of the amazing weather!



YORKSHIRE  
Muddings



LIVE  
FOR  
TODAY



# Summer term activities

June's visits to Animals in Reach and The Street.



Our cheeky Deb Walker (Lollipop Ops Manager!)

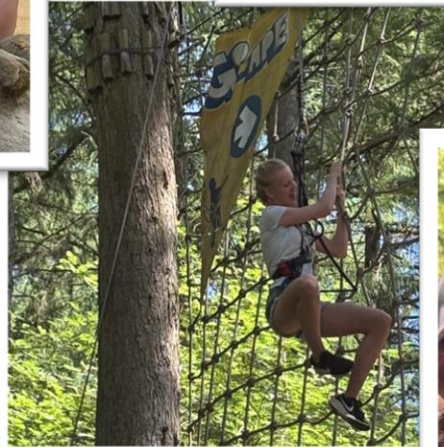
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**STREET**  
EVERYBODY'S PLACE  
BY CAVCA





# Summer term activities

Piglets Adventure Farm for ages 0-5 and Go Ape for ages 6-11 and 12+



Lollipop parents and staff at Piglets Adventure Farm – parents find a little time to talk!



# Recent feedback...

from members and parents...

"I liked every bit of building raft, paddling, and joining other people."

"WE LOVE BEING LOLLIPOP MEMBERS!"

"It helps (my son) to do activities he normally wouldn't do."

"It's nice to see other kids with hearing aids."

"Inspired to learn sign language."

"Lollipop is an amazing help and having hearing/deaf people do stuff together."

"(Lollipop has) made him more aware that he's not the only one with deafness and has made new friends due to attending Lollipop events."

"(My daughter) can be shy and reluctant to instigate conversations in case someone cannot hear well. At Lollipop she is supported to talk to other children."

We love to hear your feedback, please email Becky ([admin@lollipoppyork.org.uk](mailto:admin@lollipoppyork.org.uk)) if you'd like to share your experiences of Lollipop 😊

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# Deaf Services Fair 6<sup>th</sup> May

**This year's fair was held on Tuesday 6th May at The Folk Hall, New Earswick.**

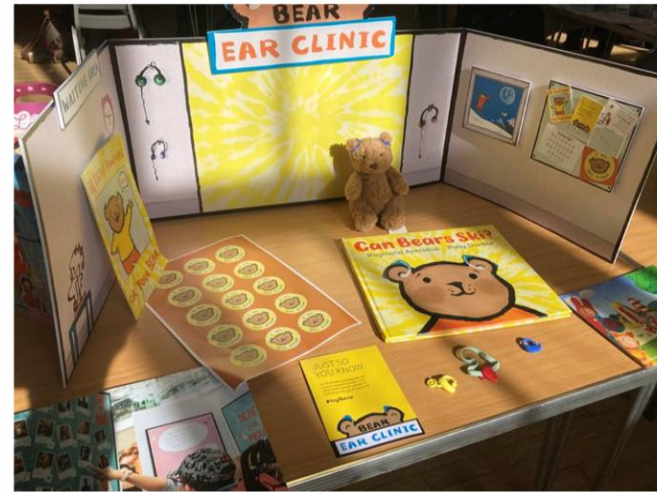
It was a fantastic afternoon where all the deaf services in York and North Yorkshire could meet each other and the D/deaf community who came to find out about what is on offer!



Language and Lullabies meet Annie Harris from the British Deaf Association



Lollipop members Chloe and Emilia, and their mum



The fabulous Bear Ear Clinic created by Toy Like Me



Lollipop parent Davia, Teacher of the Deaf Annalee and BSL interpreter Natalie

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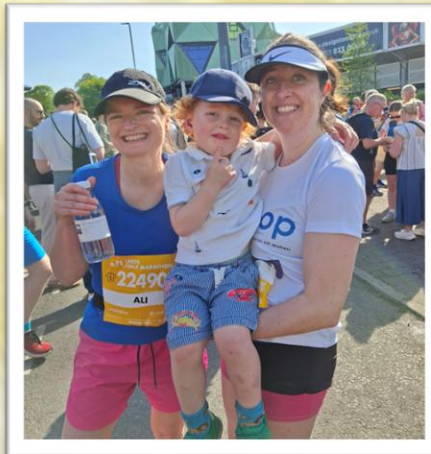


# Fundraising news

It's a year for fantastic fundraising runners!



Gav Young ran the London Marathon in April and raised a total of £1,278!



Emma Barnes (mum of Lollipop member Harry) ran the Leeds Half Marathon on May 11<sup>th</sup>. She raised £460!



Lollipop parent Roy Gibson is running the Yorkshire Marathon for us in October, we are looking forward to cheering him on! Photos in the next edition!



York-based company Onebright had a team paddling for Lollipop and Place2Be in the legendary York Dragon Boat Race in July!

Thank you so much for your amazing support!

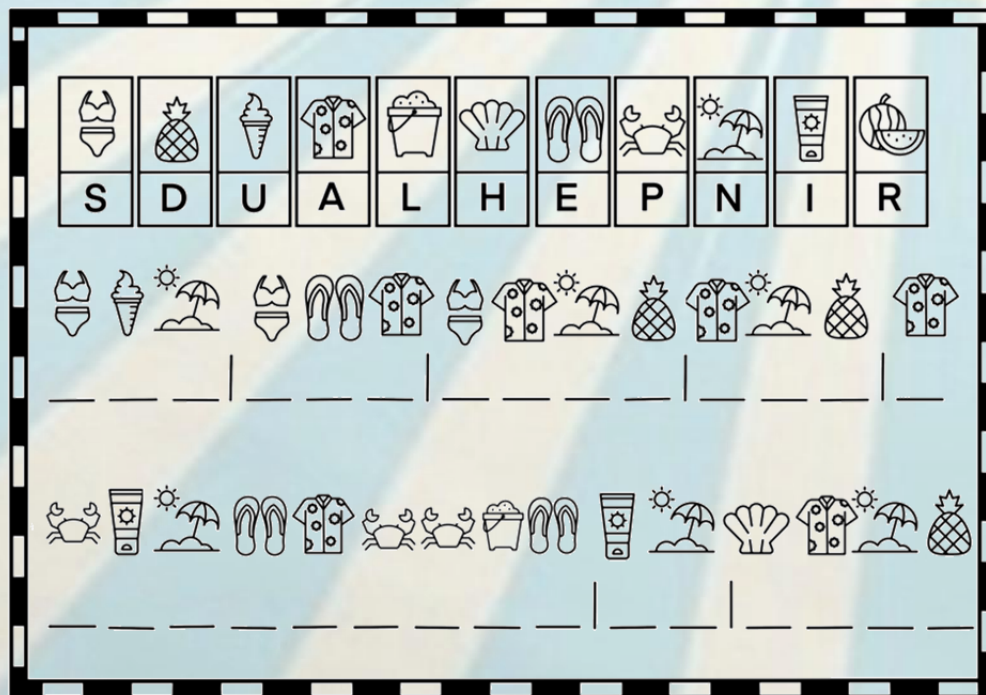
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# Summertime fun and games!

Have a go at this code breaker puzzle and Summer Alphabet Challenge!

Can You work out the message using the code?



## Summer Alphabet Challenge

For every letter of the alphabet can you come up with a summer related word?

A	_____	P	_____
B	_____	Q	_____
C	_____	R	_____
D	_____	S	_____
E	_____	T	_____
F	_____	U	_____
G	_____	V	_____
H	_____	W	_____
I	_____	X	_____
J	_____	Y	_____
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Wishing a brilliant Summer break to all our members and supporters!

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