

Special Families Festive Newsletter 2024

Dear All,

Christmas is almost upon us once again and for the families and children we support it can be busy, challenging and exciting. Our dedicated staff team have been working tirelessly to bring fun and stimulating activities over the festive period for the children to enjoy.

Some of these activities include trips to Attwell Farm to see Santa, Christmas meal at The New Inn, visit to the Aladdin pantomime and of course lots of Christmas parties and games.

Our whole staff team are so dedicated to giving the children a good time - they embody what Malvern Special Families is all about. Our heartfelt thanks go to each and every one of them.

We have also received extraordinary support from the local community and local businesses this year. Every single donation we receive makes a difference to the children and as ever we cannot list everyone in this newsletter. The list below gives an idea of what support we have received throughout 2024:

- QinetiQ donations and volunteer support
- **ZX Lidars donations**
- West Midlands Vintage Tractor and Engine Club Tractor Road Run
- Malvern St James party
- Malvern Hills Round Table Santa Sleigh Run
- The Beresfords of Malvern Halloween and Christmas displays

Thank you to everyone who gives us support in whatever way they can.

We have also just received the fantastic news that we will receive support from Children in Need for the next three years, so we are looking forward to 2025.

I wish everyone a wonderful Christmas time and peaceful new year.

Best wishes,

Gareth Jones

(C.E.O.)





Dates For Your Diary 2025

7th January 2025 - clubs re-start.

19th December - office closes for Christmas/New Year break.

20th December - last clubs of the year.

Child Availability Form release dates in 2025...

24th **January: Summer Term** (Easter – Jul) child availability forms & registration update forms released.

25th April: Summer Holiday child availability forms released.

4th July: Autumn Term (Sept - Dec) child availability forms released.

24th **October: Spring Term 2026** (Jan – Mar '26) child availability forms released.

Make it count...

Are you looking to pick up a bargain in the Christmas / New Year sales?

Don't forget that you can support us by using the Easyfundraising app



(available in App Store and Google Play) or via their website (www.easyfundraising.org.uk):

Malvern Special Families Fundraising | Easyfundraising (click link to access website)

Every purchase helps raise vital funds for our charity.



Child Registrations for MSF Clubs

As families will know, we update our registrations annually. This helps to ensure that we hold the most up to date information for those children who attend our clubs.

Our next annual update of registrations will take place during February 2025, with our renewal forms being released on / around 24th January 2025.

Please remember that families must complete and return all registration renewal forms to us as requested, to ensure their child can continue accessing our clubs from 1st April 2025 onwards.

Following this annual renewal, if any of the details in a child's registration document change throughout the year such as medical/medication requirements, emergency contact numbers, home address, behavioural needs etc., it is vital that you inform our office team immediately so that we can update your child's registration documents accordingly.

Our office team can be contacted at admin@malvernspecialfamilies.org.uk or on o1684 892526 (Mon – Fri).

Malvern Special Families Office Opening Hours

- Christmas & New Year

We will be closing for our Christmas / New Year break on Friday 20th December 2024 at 4pm.

Our team will return on Monday 6th January 2025 at 9.00am.

'Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!'

