

Special Kids Bexhill

Information for New Members

Special Kids Bexhill is run by parent's who organise holiday activities for children with special needs and their families. The activities include Swimming, Ringo-ing, Froggies soft play, 1066 Gym, Clambers, Roller skating, Laser quest and Bowling. Where possible we privately hire the venues. We have or are going to run coach trips to exciting places such as Legoland Windsor, London Zoo, Gatwick Airport and Natural History Museum London.

Special Kids Bexhill has at its heart the ideal of getting special needs children out and about and having fun with family and friends in a supportive environment.

- Membership itself is free and for the Parents/Carers of the child with special needs and their siblings.
- Non-members who are extended family of the child with special needs may be able to attend events although spaces may be limited or priority given to members.
- New events are sent out after each school holiday by email, but some events can book extremely quickly so keep a sharp eye out!!!
- All children under the age of 18 and those with special needs of any age, attending a Special Kids Bexhill event must be supervised by an appropriate adult and remain the responsibility of that adult throughout.

It is a prerequisite for membership that a child in your care has a special need; at present it is not essential that they have a diagnosis. We do not usually ask for documentation in support of your child's special need but the Trustees may refuse or withdraw membership if this cannot be provided when requested. It is helpful to us know if your child is in receipt of DLA so we can ensure you receive free carer places where applicable, you do not have to provide us with this information if you would prefer not to.

If you are still on the rocky road to diagnosis you are very very welcome, but have a chat to us before we confirm membership.

We also hold coffee mornings held on Monday's, 9.30am-12noon term time only. Please see our website for dates. They provide a valuable place to offer support and signpost parents to anything which may be of help. There are also regular parent meals, both lunch time and evening. **Information about all up and coming events can also be found on our website www.specialkidsbexhill.com or on our very active Facebook page www.facebook.com/SpecialKidsBexhill**

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Membership Form

Section 1: Main Contact:

First name.....Surname.....

Address.....

Postcode.....

Email.....

Home phone no.....

Mobile no.....

Please give details of **all other** family members:

First Name	Surname	Junior Member: Date of Birth (under 18)	Relationship to Child with Special Needs (please indicate the child with special needs with a *)	Signature of each family member: (Parent/carer to sign for Junior Members)

Brief Description of special needs. Please include diagnosis (if known) and whether the child is in receipt of DLA or has a statement/EHCP.

We **will** email members about events and information; only if you **do not** have an email would you rather receive information by Text Post (please provide 6 SAE)

Please return completed membership forms to 1 Constable Way, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex TN40 2UH

Section 2:

By signing below you are agreeing to the following:

1. I am the parent/carer of the above child/children and give consent for them to become junior members of the charity.
2. I understand all children under the age of 18 and those with special needs of any age, attending a Special Kids Bexhill (SKB) event must be supervised by an appropriate adult and remain the responsibility of that adult throughout.
3. I understand Special Kids Bexhill may ask to see documentation confirming my child's special needs/DLA.
4. I have read and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct. I agree that all other carers of my child/children who attend special kids Bexhill's events have read and agreed to abide by the code of conduct.
5. I **do/do not*** consent to photographs being taken of myself and my child/children to be used by Special Kids Bexhill on their Facebook page, flyers, website and any other publications during and after my time as a member of Special Kids Bexhill.

*please delete as appropriate

Full Name..... Signature..... Date...../...../.....

Office use only

Date membership form received/...../..... Membership number Photo consent given Yes/No