

National Autistic Society - NPT Summer Programme

Hello everyone!

We have been working hard to re-establish our NPT volunteer-led branch since the beginning of 2025. We are so pleased to be able to offer a summer programme.

The events are FREE for children who participate – as well as having some fun, the events give us a chance to catch up with families to find out what you think our branch should focus on in the year ahead.

What are you waiting for – choose your two favourite events and book it up through our Facebook Page – NAS Neath Port Talbot Branch. Not a member? Just join the Facebook Group - that's all you need to do to get involved.

Aberavon Leisure Centre – Soft Play Experience – Saturday, 26th July at 11:30AM

Celtic Play is the best choice for children to have fun and benefit from some great exercise whilst they burn off that excess energy.

There is a separate baby/toddler play zone too.

This **one hour** session will cater for a **maximum of 15 children**. Children will need to be 1.48m tall or under. There will be free water or squash throughout the session and adults are welcome to sit in the café area.

Dreamz Funhouse – Soft Play Experience - Saturday 16th August at 2:00PM

Dreamz Funhouse is a family run soft play facility based just off the M4 on Baglan Industrial Estate.

Dreamz Funhouse offers a relaxed space for children and families to have fun. They welcome children of all backgrounds and abilities.

This **two hour** session will cater for a **maximum of 15 children** aged 16 and under. There will be a choice of food and beverages and you may also spot a favourite children's character in the venue – keep your eyes peeled. There is plenty of space in the venue for adults to relax and of course to come and chat with our branch volunteers.

South Wales Miners' Museum – Friday 1st August at 12:00pm

Located in the beautiful Afan Valley, the museum is run by knowledgeable guides who will explain how adults and children lived during a time when the valleys were home to a thriving coal industry. You will be able to appreciate what happened in the Blacksmith's

Shop and the Lamp Room - and there is also a scale model steam train. The museum prides itself on welcoming children and young people and will offer a fun-filled craft session as part of the package. If the weather is nice, families may also want to enjoy the outdoor play area.

This is a peaceful and welcoming environment which now also offers a great café on the doorstep of fantastic walking and bicycle trails.

The **two hour** session will cater for a **maximum of 12 children** who will be organised into two groups of six.

Area 51 – Soft Play Experience – Friday 5th September at 4:00PM

Area 51 is an indoor children's play centre where kids walk in and say 'wow'.

The facility caters for children aged 0-11 years.

There are spiral slides, tunnels, splat pads and rockets to amaze the young people whilst adults can relax in the Great Moon Rock Café.

This **two hour** session will cater for a **maximum of 15 young people** .

Gwyn Hall – relaxed cinema screening – DATE and TIME and FILM DETAILS

The Gwyn Hall based in the centre of Neath is proud of its family friendly and accessible cinema and cinema pod.

If you've not experienced one of their relaxed screenings before, this is a great opportunity for you. If you've been before, we would love to welcome you back as part of our summer programme.

Relaxed screenings offer lower lighting and sound levels and the freedom to move around and make noise, with the opportunity to also step out to a quiet area to take a break. There will be no trailers or advertisements and the fantastic Gwyn Hall staff have undertaken training so they can help with any needs cinema users may have.

There will be a **maximum of 40 people** for this screening.

We'd like to say a big thank you to Hive Health, 4ColourDigital, Neath Round Table and the Safer NPT Partnership for helping to make this programme happen.

BOOKING DETAILS

Visit our Facebook Page to book up to two events. NAS Neath Port Talbot. These events have been arranged to support families with autistic children but siblings are also welcome.

All children and young people will need to be accompanied and supervised at all times by a responsible adult.

Entrance to the events are free but parking charges apply at some venues. Please also check ticket details for other important information to make your visit enjoyable.