

MARCH NEWSLETTER2021







VIRTUAL HALF TERM

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who joined in with our Virtual Half Term Club! We know that Zooms aren't for all of our children and young adults but we were so pleased that so many logged on to join in! A special thank you as well to all of you adults who spent many hours in the background whilst your child was on Zoom - we couldn't have done it without you!

We also delivered nearly 30 Pancake Packs to celebrate Pancake Day thanks to funding from BBC Children in Need. We hope you all enjoyed your pancakes!





Our Young Adults in 4Ever Unique enjoyed a Valentines Day lunch which they made themselves - complete with decorations! They would also like to thank everyone who purchased a Valentines Box that they had put together. The team are now working on their Easter plans so watch this space!

WHATS NEW ...

DID YOU KNOW ...

Our daytime support service, 4Ever Unique, can now take young adults up to the age of 30!

GREAT NORTH RUN

We have places available in the Great North Run 2021! If any parents, carers, family members or friends would like to join Team Unique and run to support us then please email fundraising@uniquekidzandco.org.uk

UPDATES TO INFORMATION

Please always remember to update us with any changes to your or your childs personal information. You can do this by emailing services@uniquekidzandco.org.uk

TOY LIBRARY

Our first ever Toy Library launched on 1st February! It is funded by BBC Children in Need and is for any child or young person up to the age of 18 - you do not have to use any of our other services to benefit! If you would like more information or would like to join please email Sarah at uniquetoyz01@gmail.com or visit the Facebook page - Unique Toyz!

VACCINES

If your young adult attends 4Ever Unique, please could you inform us if/when they have received their Covid-19 vaccine. Our staff are currently in the process of receiving theirs - another step closer to normality!

LOCKDOWN UPDATE

Following the recent government update we can confirm that certain services will be reopening with limited numbers throughout March. Final dates will be confirmed for each service via email. We are really looking forward to having the children and young adults back with us as we safely start to open our doors again.

Kidz Club - Afterschool and Holiday Club

Our Afterschool Club will be reopening in March for keyworker children and any vulnerable child who has returned to school who wishes to come to afterschool club. Their will be limited sessions and spaces available throughout March. On Monday 12th April, Afterschool Club will reopen fully for children.

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We will be running a Holiday Club in Easter which parents will be emailed about. Please email the dates you would like to request to manager@uniquekidzandco.org.uk

4Ever Unique

We are waiting for confirmation from Lancashire County Council that we are able to increase numbers again for our daytime support services. As soon as they confirm, we will be in contact with parents with sessions that we can offer including after college sessions. It is likely we will be able to offer limited sessions throughout March and the Easter Holidays and then will be increasing numbers more after Easter.

As always, if you have any questions please just call the office or email manager@uniquekidzandco.org.uk.

ADVICE & INFO

- Advice on biting and chewing https://www.fledglings.org.uk/pages/biting-chewing (Fledglings)
- Family Fund are open for grant applications for essential items to help with raising a disabled child- https://www.familyfund.org.uk/
- Please remember to join our Parent & Carer Closed Facebook Group for regular updates on what is going on.

Thank you to Kathryn and Caroline for sending us the links to share! If you see anything that might interest other parents please just let us know!

"We may not have been able to come to club ... but Unique Kidz definitely came to us via Zoom!"

Our virtual sessions will be continuing over the next 12 months to help us to support those who will be unable to access all of our services. Virtuals, videos and zooms are our way of providing extra support for the young people and we hope everyone will enjoy them.

All of our virtual service is funded by BBC Children in Need. If you would like to request any particular sessions then please just drop us an email.

A HUGE thank you to all our staff who worked so hard to deliver our virtual sessions over half term. It was our first time running that many virtual sessions and I am sure you will agree that they did an excellent job!

We will be in touch soon with more information on our virtual sessions up until Easter!

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EASTER RAFFLE!

We are looking for donations for our Easter Raffle! If you or anyone you know can help then please get in touch!

- Easter Eggs
- Chocolate
- Alcohol
- Gift vouchers

Items can be dropped off at the building up until Friday. If you need us to collect the items from you please just let us know and we can arrange a safe doorstep colletion.

