

Safeguarding Bulletin

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Summer savings for families

The Great British Summer Savings scheme is running from 25 June to 1 September 2026, helping families feel a bit less squeezed this summer.

The new scheme includes reduced VAT on days out, including tickets at attractions like soft play, adventure centres and theme parks, children's tickets for theatres and cinemas, and children's meals in restaurants. Children aged 5 to 15 in England will also be able to travel free on local bus services throughout August. For further information about the scheme visit [Summer Savings](#).

Parenting support- DICE

PCC Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Barnardo's Exceed Service
BARNARDO'S Changing children's lives.

DICE Parenting Programme

DICE is a 4 week free universal support for parents/carers of pre-teens and teens who are worried about parenting in the modern world, with the risks and challenges this presents.

DICE provides families with **information, advice and support** to help them provide a **safe and protective environment** for their child or young person.

The programme is running on a **regular basis throughout the year, online and face to face**. Contact details overleaf for further information or a referral form.

01752 256339
exceed@barnardos.org.uk
[Online referral form](#)
www.barnardosexceed.org.uk

You can email us to be sent a referral form, or follow the link/scan the QR code for our online referral form.
Registered Charity Nos. 216255 and SC030765

Torbay HAF provision

HAF Holiday Activities are free for children who receive Benefit Related Free School Meals. Each child can book up to 16 sessions this summer. There are also some paid activities for children who are not eligible.

[Book your activities here.](#)



There is lots of additional support, signposting and information on the [Torbay Family Hubs website](#).



Summer activities being offered by Checkpoint

Time for young people
The Children's Society

TIME SUMMER TIMETABLE 2026

Negative Thinking	Vision Board Making	Values & Confidence
Learn about how our thoughts, feelings and behaviours are connected. Identify negative thoughts and how to manage them. When & Where? - Age 15-18, Parkfield House, Wednesday 22nd July 1pm-2:30pm - Age 11-14, Parkfield House, Tuesday 25th August 10am-11:30am	Making vision boards with what you want to achieve, goals, & vibes! We will supply resources, but you are welcome to bring decorative extra bits. When & Where? - Parkfield House, Wednesday 22nd July 10am-11:30am - Parkfield House, Tuesday 4th August 10am-11:30am	Exploring what's important to you, getting more out of life, and supporting your confidence. When & Where? - Age 11-13, Parkfield House, Tuesday 28th July 10am-11:30am - Age 14-17, Parkfield House, Tuesday 11th August 10am-11:30am
Walk & Picnic	Creative Craft	Drums
Chance to meet new people and make friends, walk along Paignton seafront, option try rock-pooling, and then back to Parkfield for food and games! When & Where? - Age 11-14, Meet at Parkfield House, Wednesday 29th July 10am-2pm - Age 15+, Meet at Parkfield House, Wednesday 26th August 10am-2pm	Bracelet making, drawing, colouring, origami, clay/playdough models, & more, just a space to be creative and chat! When & Where? - Parkfield House, Tuesday 21st July 10am-11:30am - Parkfield House, Wednesday 12th August 2pm-3:30pm	Fancy trying drumming, and combining it with fitness? Drums 4 health are offering a group blending both of those things! When & Where? Wednesday 5th August 2:30-3:30pm

Want to attend a group? Scan this QR code and complete the form to register your interest with us for the group

Don't hesitate to express your interest as there are limited spaces in each group! If you have any questions about a group don't hesitate to contact us at: timeforayachild@societysociety.org.uk

Social media

Whilst I am sure lots of young people are out enjoying the summer, for many this will also mean more time is spent on social media.

Southwest Grid for Learning have created downloadable checklists to guide you through the profile settings for Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat and more, helping to control how your profile appears, what friends and other people can see and how to report problems. They are a brilliant resource to help you keep your child safe online.

[Find the guides here.](#)

Accessing support over the summer;

Wellbeing support for young people

Kooth app or [website](#)- practical advice, support and online counselling.

Childline- 0800 1111, online counselling and advice

If you have safeguarding concerns about a child

Torbay MASH can be contacted on 01803 208100 or 0300 456 4876 out of hours. **If you believe someone is in immediate danger, please call 999.**

You can also report concerns or access advice via the [NSPCC](#).

Finally....

Thank you for all your support and engagement this year. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable summer- Miss Chitty and the safeguarding team. ☺