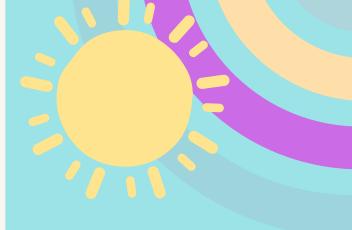
## YOUNG PEOPLE'S SUMMER NEWSLETTER

### HELLO SUMMER!

Welcome to our sunny summer edition! We've packed this newsletter with fun activities, helpful tips, and exciting events to make your summer full of joy, creativity, and connection



### SUMMER ACTIVITIES TO TRY

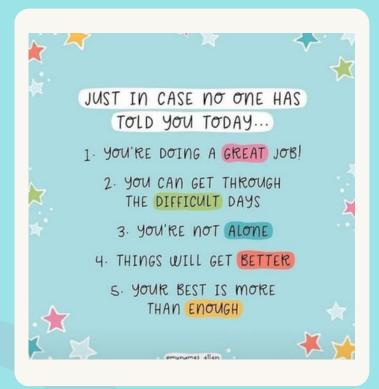
Here are some sensory-friendly and inclusive activities to enjoy:

- Nature Treasure Hunt \*
  Explore your garden or local park. Can you find something soft, something round, and something that smells nice?
- Water Play Fun 
   Fill a tray with water and add cups, spoons, and toys. Splashing is encouraged!
- DIY Calm Jars >
   Fill a jar with water, glitter, and a few drops of food colouring.
   Shake it up and watch the magic.
- Story Time in the Shade Create a cosy reading nook outside with blankets and your favourite books.



### Creative Corner

- Make Your Own Summer Collage. Use old magazines, leaves, and colourful paper to create a sunny scene.
- Paint with Ice Cubes. Freeze paint in ice cube trays and use them to paint on paper for a cool effect!



### WELLBEING TIPS FOR THE SUMMER

- Take Breaks: It's okay to rest when things feel too busy.
- Use a Visual Schedule: Knowing what's next can help you feel calm and in control.
- Stay Cool: Wear a hat, drink water, and find shady spots when it's hot.

## Quote of the Summer

"You are braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem, and smarter
than you think."

— A.A. Milne



### Local Events & Clubs - Summer 2025

- Deer Shed Festival 15
- Topcliffe, North Yorkshire
- **July 25-28, 2025**
- Family-friendly tickets available

This inclusive festival is known for its welcoming atmosphere and dedicated children's programme. Expect interactive workshops, science experiments, arts and crafts, and sensory-friendly zones. A great choice for families with SEND children.

- Yorkshire Dales Food & Drink Festival
- ? Skipton
- July 18-20, 2025
- Family weekend passes available
  Enjoy a weekend of food, fun, and family entertainment
  including a petting zoo, circus school, and kiddies'
  cinema. The festival is spacious and offers quieter areas
  for those who need a break from the crowds.
- Science & Sensory Workshops at Local Libraries
- Yarious libraries across North Yorkshire
- Throughout July & August

Local libraries often host SEND-friendly sensory sessions and science-themed workshops. Check with your nearest branch for dates and booking info.



### Local Events & Clubs - Summer 2025

† Harrogate Community House

Weekly sessions through summer

A relaxed, inclusive art club for children and young people with SEND. Activities include painting, clay modelling, and collage-making in a calm, supportive environment.







Take a look at our
Facebook Page for more
events happening in
North Yorkshire this
summer.

## Resources to support Young People with Anxiety

- Not fine in school https://notfineinschool.co.uk/
- Childline https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/
- Kooth https://www.kooth.com/
- Stem4 https://stem4.org.uk/
- Young Minds https://www.youngminds.org.uk/youngperson/find-help
- On My Mind https://www.annafreud.org/resources/children-and-youngpeoples-wellbeing/
- The Mix (13-25) https://www.themix.org.uk/
- Compass Pheonix https://www.compassuk.org/services/compass-phoenix/







The Go-To is the home of wellbeing and mental health for young people in North Yorkshire. The Go-To is there to help you find the right help and support for you, to help you stay well, whatever is going on in your life.

Visit their website here.

## Results Day

With GCSE and A Levels results days coming up in August, it can feel like a worrying time. Making decisions about your future can be stressful and its important to talk about your worries and look after your mental health.

Young Minds have a great guide with Tips to prepare for Results day here.

BBC Bitesize guide to GCSE Results

Day - everything you need to know!

The Spark Guide to Exam Results Day

Your exam results do not define you as a person and/or predict your future!

Laura Henry



### **Back to School Tips**

Getting ready for school can feel like a big change, but here are some tips to help you feel more confident and calm:

### 🗂 Start a Countdown

Use a calendar or visual schedule to count down the days until school starts.

#### Practice Your Routine

Try waking up, getting dressed, and having breakfast at schooltime hours a week before school starts.

### Pack Your Bag Together

Make a checklist of what you need—like your pencil case, lunchbox, and comfort item if you use one.

### Try On Your Uniform

Wearing your school clothes for a few hours at home can help you get used to how they feel.

### Talk About Feelings

It's okay to feel nervous or excited. Talk to someone you trust about how you're feeling.

### **Tisual Supports**

Use pictures or symbols to help remember your routine or what to expect at school.

# HOW TO CONTACT

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