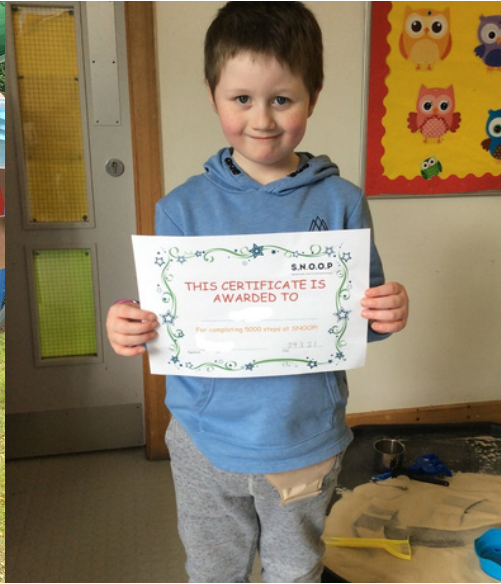


JULY 2021



WELCOME

A MESSAGE FROM THE 2 CAROLS

2021 is SNOOP's 21st year providing support and services to children and young adults with disabilities and their parents and carers. We are so proud to have been able to do this work and to know all those who have walked through our doors and who we have met or spoken to over the years. We want to say what a privilege it has been. We have learned so much and shared good and bad times, supported each other through life experiences and have come to know many new friends. THANK YOU so very much for your support, past present and future. We can now begin to see light at the end of the Covid tunnel and we look forward to the future and working with you.

Big Hugs from all of us at SNOOP

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Adult services update

As the road map out of lockdown continues to ease our young adults service has begun to feel a little more familiar. Despite some of the restrictions still being in place we're making the best of things, focusing on all the things we can do instead of the things we can't do! We have been running face to face sessions in SNOOP, five days per week and also continuing with our zoom sessions three days a week.

Carers week and Learning Disabilities week

As part of Carers Week we made a short film saying thank you to our carers and during Learning Disability Week we have launched our 'How to use the Safe Places App' for people in Bradford who use our Safe Places Scheme, known as the 'Help I'm Lost Card'. All the work is co-designed and co-produced by our young adults with support from the staff team. We have learned so many new skills and are trying out new experiences. All our videos can be found on our own YouTube channel. Thanks to the Bradford ABCD grants scheme for funding this project.

We have also been busy giving our garden a little mini make over with a grant received from Bradford CNET. Our young adults have been working hard updating some of the outdoor furniture, maintaining the sensory planters and designing a rock garden area.

Community led support

As the restrictions are lifted we are feeling really positive about getting involved with community led activities. Our young adults have been brilliant at embracing the changes. In the past few weeks we have visited a local allotment to help out and get some ideas for our garden, enjoyed drinks at the local Inspire café, made bird houses at SNOOP with a local community volunteer and joined in with a gardening project at the Gateway Community Centre. We are loving feeling connected to and supported by the local community and we are feeling very optimistic about what's to come.

The young adults team



"I feel happy and safe at SNOOP wearing my face shield"



"I like being part of the seed2plate project"



"The new table fits my wheelchair so I can sit with my friends"



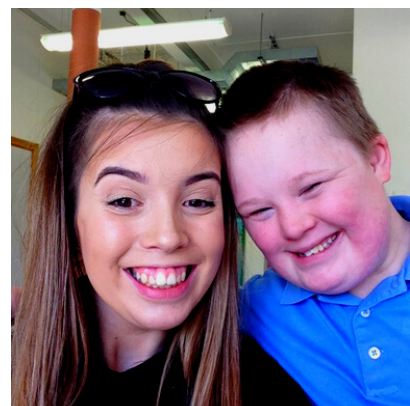
Children's services update

It's been a busy few months in our children's services. We have been open for after school sessions five days per week and throughout the school holidays. It's great to have all the children back and see them having fun with their friends.

The children have been enjoying spending lots of time outdoors, playing in the sand pit, mud kitchen, on the trampoline and having water fights on sunny days! On rainy days we are making lots of use of our multi sensory room and have been having fun indoors with our toys, games, arts and crafts and sensory play.

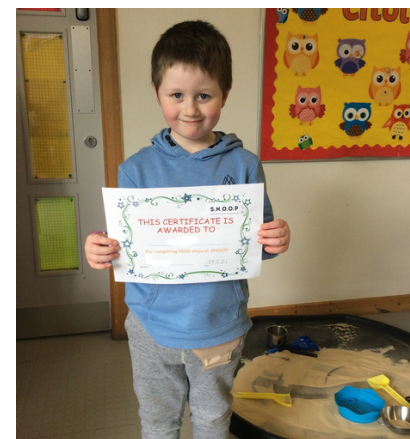
Join us Move Play and HAF Bradford

Our children's service is working with JUMP (Join us Move Play a local initiative to help children to be more active and HAF (Healthy Active Holidays) which aims to support children from across Bradford to access healthy foods, be physically active and have lots of fun within the school holidays. As part of this the children's team have been working with the children to plan lots of fun activities for the holidays and the children have been wearing activity trackers to see how physically active they are and how many steps they take in a session. **In an average play scheme session the children take 5,000 steps!**



New to SNOOP? book a visit with our children's services team

Call us on 01274 292126



The children's team



Nursery update



It's coming to the end of a very different year in Tadpoles Nursery but one where our children have had some fantastic experiences. They have co-designed their outdoor learning area, built a frog and bee hotel in our garden; built walls and dens and had campfire snack time ; looked after a chicken for a day and we called her 'Rosie', learned how to be kind to our friends; we discussed established our own 'positive behaviour rules' for indoor and outdoor play and learned that we are all different and that 'it's ok to be me' and we learned circus skills; did the Rhyme Challenge and looked at a different exciting new book every day during World Book Week.

This is just part of our curriculum to help prepare all our children for school and support them to have equal opportunities and chances. We believe that life and learning in our pre-school, should be exciting and inspiring and challenging.

Good Luck!



We wish all our 2021 leavers from Tadpoles Nursery a brilliant time at Big School and we know you will all shine brightly just as you deserve to do. Good Luck from all of the staff at Tadpoles Nursery and we would love to hear how you are getting on, so please keep in touch. And a huge thank you to all our parents who have been so supportive throughout the pandemic, it is very much appreciated.

So here's to September and hopefully a lovely hot summer. We look forward to all the children who are coming back to us in September 2021 and extend a warm welcome to all our new children.

We do have places available for September so please do get in touch for your 15 and 30 hours free places. Happy holidays ☺

The Tadpoles team



other news

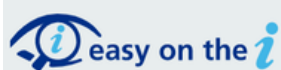


SNOOP's new Parent/Carer Forum!

The purpose of the forum is to provide parent/carers of young people with SEND, learning disabilities or autism with a place where they can share their experiences, ideas and views on preparing for adulthood and making that transition from school into adult life (and or the changes that it brings).

Together we can learn from each other, raise questions, concerns and support each other to feel confident and able to deal with the things with we are faced with on this important journey. Leaving school, is one of the biggest steps our children are going to take and as parent/carers we can use all our years of lived experience to support those we care for to prepare for a good life in the future. The forum is run through a private Facebook group and only members within the group will be able to post.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/snooppfa>



Here at SNOOP we're all about coproduction. We are aiming to make more of our printed publications in easy read format so that everyone can understand and work together to co-produce activities and services.

We like the Easy on the i website as they have a really good data base of symbols. These symbols can be used instead of or along side written text to give visual representation of what is being said. check them out here and have a go at downloading your own symbols.

<https://www.learningdisabilityservice-leeds.nhs.uk/easy-on-the-i>



Dates for your diary

Week commencing 26th July 2021: Play scheme starts

30th of August 2021: Bank holiday, SNOOP will be closed

Week commencing 6th September 2021: Back to term time hours

7th September 2021: Youth club re starts!

Our socials

Have you checked out our socials?

One of the easiest ways for us to keep in contact with you is through social media.

SNOOP has a YouTube channel
SNOOP Charity

A Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/SNOOPCharity>

A twitter account @snoopcharity

FUNDRAISING



This August we are celebrating our 21st birthday! The young adults, children and staff are planning a variety of fundraising challenges and events to mark the occasion. The challenges and events will be themed around 21, for example walking 21 laps of the car park around SNOOP or throwing 21 buckets of water at a staff members head! and a afternoon tea party with 21st themed buns and mocktails.

We aim that everyone who takes part will raise at least £21 each which will go towards activities at all services within SNOOP.

The birthday celebrations are not only a chance for us to celebrate but to say a big thank you to all our families, SNOOP friends, and everyone who has supported us over the last 21 years. Check our social media for more details to come!

Join in with our 21st birthday challenge!

Would you like to help us?

What challenges could you do to raise money for SNOOP?

Walk 21 miles? or hold a zoom 21 themed quiz?

Got an idea for a challenge for staff? let us know and we might just do it!



£10 provides
play resources such as
art and craft materials
and outdoor toys



£30 provides
1 hour of care for a child
with SEND



£100 provides
Sensory equipment for
children and adults with
complex needs

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