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Supportive September: Navigating Mental Health & Family

Hello,

This month, we're focused on providing you with valuable resources, training, and support to help you thrive. We aim to connect you to the right tools and information to navigate challenges and strengthen your family's wellbeing. We've included information on:

- The Worry Workshop with Parental Minds.
- **IPSEA**, who have put together useful information for if your child doesn't have a school place.
- Pooky Knightsmith's useful tips on balancing children's screentime.
- Devon Digital Services and Devon Family Hubs range of useful workshops approaching, focusing on topics such as sleep and SEMH.

...And much more.

For real-time updates on Parental Minds' events and activities, follow us on Facebook. Don't miss out on the latest news! Join our online community and be a part of the conversation. https://www.facebook.com/PPSHUB

Usit our website here and explore our resources



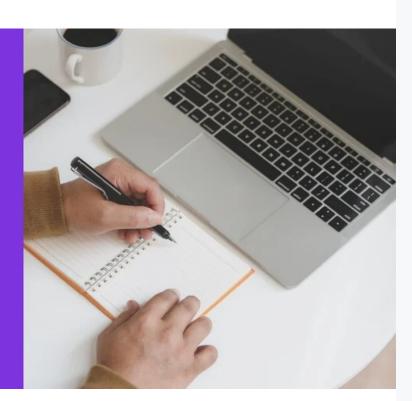
Children who do not have a school place

Is your child without a school place? At the start of a new school year many children with SEND can find themselves without a school to attend. This is a worrying situation to be in, so ISPEA have want to provide guidance to help parents and carers who are in this position.

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Realistic Ways to Balance Children's Screen Time



Pooky Knightsmith

Realistic ways to balance children's screen time

Take a look at some of the practical and realistic ways to get a better grasp on our children's screen time with Pooky Knightsmith.

Screens can be wonderful, they can be a gateway to learning, laughter and connection but they can also be a gateway to less positive things and can prevent engagement with the

physical world. With this in mind she's explored some simple ideas to help get the balance right.

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Women's Drop-In

Wednesdays
10.30am - 12.30pm
Meeting House. Colab

Arts & crafts, advice, chat and connection in a supported space

Starts 11th September

More info: colabwomen@colabexeter.org.uk

Women's Drop in group

The Women's Drop-In on Weds at CoLab starts on the **11th September.** Enjoy arts and crafts, chat, share advice, and connect with others in a supported space.



Devon Digital Services, Devon Family Hubs

The importance of sleep for children

Action for Children know quality sleep is essential for children's growth and development. In this workshop they'll cover:

- The importance of sleep for children
- What can cause children to struggle to sleep
- What impact that can have on children, their caregivers and siblings
- What we can do to identify the possible causes and then put in strategies and actions in place to support our children to sleep

And they will be sharing resources, tips and links to further support sleep in children.

Join them for this FREE workshop, Thursday, September 19th 2024.

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Baby & Child First Aid

Would you know what to do in an emergency?

2 hour class covers: CPR, Choking, Bumps,

Bleeding,

Breaks, Burns, Febrile Seizures & Meningitis Awareness



Follow the QR code or use the link below



For parents and carers

23rd September 2024 10am -12

Forches Family Hub, Forches Ave, Barnstaple EX32 8EF Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-baby-and-child-first-aid-tickets-999425868677 or

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Supporting your child with SEND with SEMH

Children and young people with SEMH have severe difficulties in managing their emotions and behaviour. They often show inappropriate responses and feelings to situations. SEMH is a broad term used to define a range of different needs children may have at any given time.

In this webinar you'll learn strategies to help you to support children with SEND with their SEMH. You also receive some useful tips and advice to support each other.

Monday, 14th October 2024, 1 - 2pm



Learn Devon UK

Learning and Support for Adults

Learn Devon is Devon County Council's adult education provider of educational courses for the residents of Devon. They provide support on a range of subjects including Maths, English and digital IT skills.

They also offer a range of tailored courses for adults who have more complex learning needs. Their courses aim to help make everyday life easier: supporting learners towards independence and helping them prepare for work or volunteering.

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YOUNG DEVON

Young Devon

Free Training for 16-25 year olds

The Independent Life Skills course is designed to support young people back into education, develop life-based skills and to help them build confidence. Awarding an Entry

Level 3 Qualification; this course is delivered through small group work and fun projects.

This course is currently run in Exeter, Plymouth and Torbay.





Pathways

Playtime do's and don'ts

Playtime is an important part of childhood! Playtime for kids helps them learn new things while building social skills, developing creative thinking, and learning about their interests and talents. Because life is so busy, **Pathways** have put together these handy "Do's" and "Don'ts" to help your family make the most of playtime.

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Parent Carer Newsletter

Learn about more upcoming events the **Devon Digital Team** are running, and discover top tips from the team. Learn **how to help prepare your teenager starting a new school, and how to support SEND children with reading,**

Devon County Council also made the decision to develop Children's Centres into Family Hubs last year, in line with Government objectives. Since the 1st April 2024 they've been working with DCC to make the transition from one to the other. You can read more about this, what the big differences are, changes to social media handles, and what will benefit all families in Devon, on this useful newsletter.

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Self-Care September

Self-care isn't selfish. It's essential.





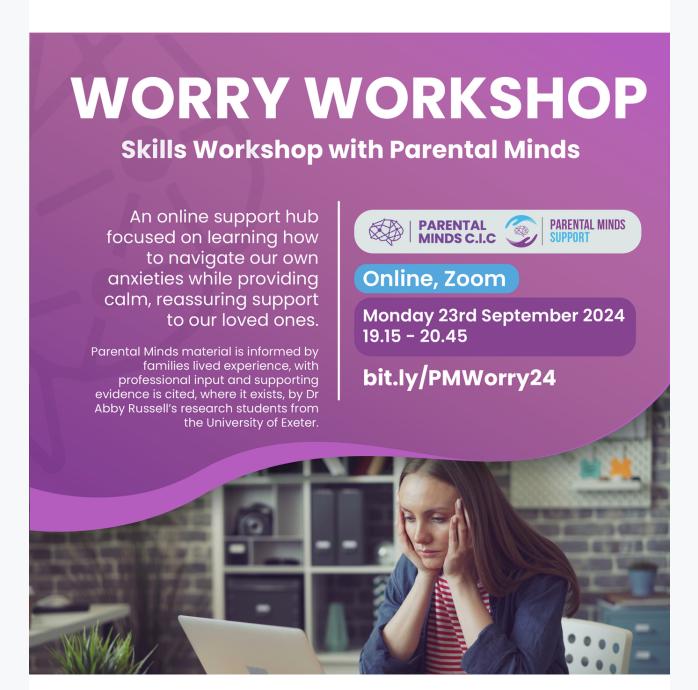
Action for Happiness

Self-care September

It's **Self-care September** over at **Action for Happiness.** Learn the variety of ways you can make sure you're caring for yourself when times are tough.

You can also view their previous calendars, download and print them.

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Parental Minds Skills Workshop

Worry Workshop

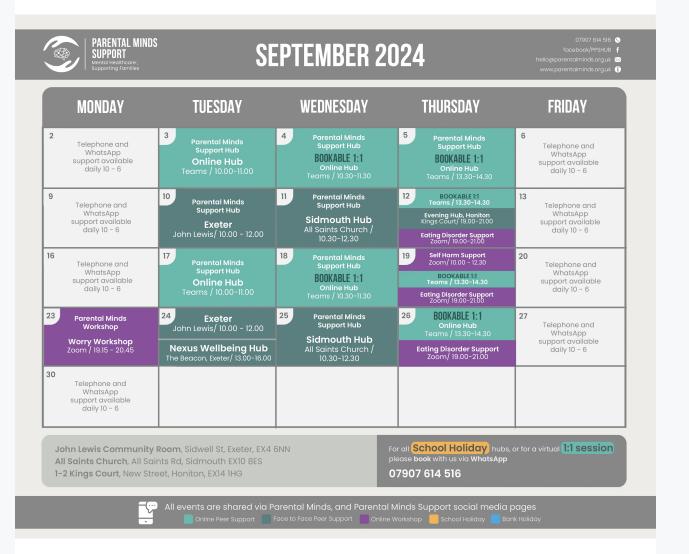
An online support hub focused on learning how to navigate our own anxieties while providing calm, reassuring support to our loved ones.

Parental Minds material is informed by families lived experience, with professional input and supporting evidence is cited, where it exists, by Dr Abby Russell's research students from the University of Exeter.

Monday 23rd September 2024 19.15 - 20.45

https://bit.ly/PMWorry24

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Parental Minds Support Timetable

**Events are booking only during the summer holidays and are subject to change. Please

REGULAR IN-PERSON EVENTS:

Honiton - Zest Cafe

2nd Thursday of the month

19.00 - 21.00

Exeter - John Lewis Community Room

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month

10.00 - 12.00

Sidmouth - All Saints Church

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month

10.30 - 12.30

REGULAR VIRTUAL EVENTS:

Bookable 1:1 - Teams

- Every Thursday, 13.30 14.30
- 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday, 10.30 11.30

Online Drop in Hub - Teams

• 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesday 10.00 - 11.00

Online Workshops - Zoom

4th Monday of the month, 19.15 - 21.00

Are you accessing all the services that we offer from Parental Minds Support Hub

We offer: -

- Parenting tips on mental well-being
- Support to all mental health caregivers (from low mood to crisis)
- Self-care awareness
- Eating disorder courses
- Counselling
- Opportunities to share your voice and experience to achieve change

We do this by offering: -

- A listening Ear
- Knowledge of services
- · Professional Advice
- · Our lived Experience

Co-created Resources

You can chose: -

- 1:1 or Group
- · Face to Face, Phone, WhatsApp or Email
- Website & Facebook & Emailed Monthly information
- Meetings & Workshops

You can access our service: -

Daily/weekly/monthly/Ad-hoc

This available to all Caregivers. Caregivers are parents, family, friends, colleagues & volunteers supporting mental well-being.

<u>Parental Minds Facebook</u> – Engagement Opportunities, Parent/Caregivers resources & Counselling

Parental Minds Support Facebook Page - Support for Mental Health Caregivers

Parental Minds; a collaboration of lived experience with professional input and the young person's voice.

Warm Wishes

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