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## Bristol Area Down's Syndrome Support

This Mini-Newsletter contains some important dates and deadlines as well as advance information for forthcoming events.

### **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

The next committee meeting is on Feb 28th at 8pm at Jane Powell's house. Our meetings are informal and open to all. If you would like to come along, please see the website or email me for address/directions.

We will be discussing upcoming events for Easter and Summer holidays as well as RUDA.

If you cannot make the meeting but have any suggestions or requests, please let me know in advance and I will present them at the meeting on your behalf.

Reply to this email or to [paul.simson@btconnect.com](mailto:paul.simson@btconnect.com)

### **RUDA 2011 - 10th-13th June**

We have nearly 40 families booked already for our annual RUDA holiday.

The DEADLINE for new bookings is 28th Feb.

You have the option to EXTEND your holiday to include the Mon-Fri of the week either before or after the group weekend. Please note that by choosing to extend your holiday, we may be limited to the accommodation choice.

The DEADLINE for EXTENDING your holiday is 28th Feb.

The ADDITIONAL COST of extending your holiday for the week before (making the holiday 6-13th) is £120

The ADDITIONAL COST of extending your holiday for the week after (making the holiday 10-17th) is £133

This is in addition to the £150 subsidised cost for the long weekend.

ALL RUDA ENQUIRIES to ANDREW KING [info@badss.org.uk](mailto:info@badss.org.uk) or call 0845 64 22377

### **SWIMMING**

We are talking to a swimming coach about the possibility of arranging a special needs swimming club at Tockington (near the Almondsbury Interchange), probably just before lunch on Sundays.

We hope to have a date shortly for a taster session for the coach to meet some of the children and get an idea of the different ability levels. We will probably combine this with an afternoon at the nearby Olddown country park.

There will be a separate email notice shortly.

### **CRAFT WORKSHOPS - Saturday 12th March 1pm onwards**

Helen England has a new arts and crafts shop in Brislington and has arranged an afternoon of short craft workshops for small groups that will include some messy fun and a drink/snack.

There will probably be 3 x 1hr sessions with only about 4 children in each session so please book now (BY EMAIL) if you are interested as they will go quickly.

The cost is £5 per child payable directly to Helen on the day.

See [www.tenderfooting.co.uk](http://www.tenderfooting.co.uk) for more details

Email [gehe62@virginmedia.com](mailto:gehe62@virginmedia.com) or call 0117 971 7138

### **THEATRE TICKETS**

Betty has booked the following shows.

All shows are at the Bristol Hippodrome:

Jekyll and Hyde, Tuesday 10th May at 7.30pm price £10 (Book by 9th March)  
Blues Brothers Tribute, Friday 10th June at 5.30pm price £18.50 (Book 9th April)  
An evening with John Cleese, Wednesday 22nd June at 7.30pm price £33.50 (book by 21st April)  
Evita, Tuesday 28th June at 7.30pm price £10 (Book by 26th April)  
Dirty Dancing, Friday 9th September at 5.00pm price £38.50 (Book by 8th July)  
Dirty Dancing, Monday 19th September at 7.30pm price £38.50 (Book by 8th July)

Note that PAYMENT must be received by the BOOKING DATE.

If you are booking multiple shows, please send a separate cheque for EACH SHOW. Each cheque will be held and will be cashed on the booking date for that show. If you are booking well ahead, please put the booking date on the cheque to prevent it being rejected by the bank.

ALL BOOKINGS FOR THEATRE TICKETS MUST BE BY POST. SEND A COVERING NOTE WITH YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE AND EMAIL, PLUS DETAILS OF THE SHOWS AND TICKETS YOU WOULD LIKE.

CHEQUES (ONE FOR EACH SHOW PLEASE) PAYABLE TO LLOYDS TSB.

POST TO: Betty Humphries, 1 Quarry Road, Frenchay, BRISTOL, BS16 1LY

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