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Our Services



Hydrotherapy

We were thrilled to receive a very generous grant donation from Dr Michael Josephson MBE for £5000. These funds were raised thanks to the annual MJ Ball in 2024. This has funded 100 sessions of hydrotherapy during this quarter. We are able to offer these hour slots, 6 days a week, with or without our trained hydrotherapist to children living with complex medical needs and physical disabilities. This donation enabled 80 families to access the pool as a whole family, creating positive memories for siblings, and 20 1:1 sessions with our hydrotherapist, where bespoke programs are made for our service users. These free of charge sessions are a lifeline of support to those who access our pool. Thank you for this incredible donation, enabling us to continue the work we do.

Inclusive Play Sessions

We continue to run a full and varied timetable, including Stay and Play, Sing and Sign, and Sensory Touch and Music sessions.

Thursday night Youth Group and Saturday morning open age sessions remain our most well attended.

Rebound Therapy

Rebound Therapy is charged at £15 per session, and our full Monday is booked out to offer this service. We have just had to have the trampoline bed replaced due to some frayed areas on the mesh. The service remains popular, with families reporting that there is nowhere else locally offering Rebound Therapy.



Food And Friendship After School Club

A grant of £13,682.53 from Action Together has allowed us to facilitate our first ever After School Club. The club will be on a Wednesday straight after school, and will include snacks and refreshments. This is something we have wanted to start up for a long time, and it will be the only after school club in Rochdale specifically designed for children with complex medical needs. We are aiming to start the club during the first week back at school in September.



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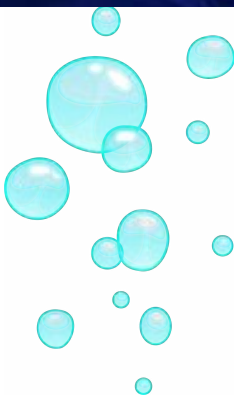
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Coffee and Catch Up

Our monthly Coffee and Catch Up's are a lifeline of support for parents and carers. The peer support has proved invaluable

Sound Baths

This meditative experience has benefitted countless service users since we started to offer it. This service is available to the wider community and is charged at £12.50 per session.

Visiting Professionals

Health Professionals attend our Tuesday Stay and Play session. This is a unique service which enables parents and carers to connect with health professionals in a familiar and relaxed environment. Our professionals consist of, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Speech and Language Therapists, Dietitians, Health Visitors and the Visual Impairment Team.

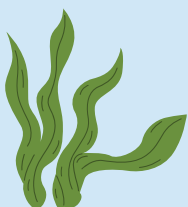


Plans For The Future

We are currently having discussions about revamping our Tuesday morning Stay and Play session. Our thoughts seem to be around pamper sessions for our parents and carers. After feedback from families regarding Coffee and Catch Up, we are moving these monthly meet ups from a Friday to a Tuesday.

We are hoping to extend our social media reach by joining Tik Tok, where we can post engaging content and reach as many people as possible.

We have two grant applications in the pipeline which will allow us to expand our services in the near future. The grants would cover an extra member of staff, and a transport fund for families who struggle to get to the centre.



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Fundraising



Jolly Josh Shop

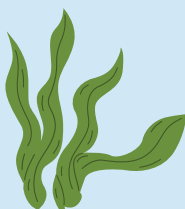
Selling personalised Jolly Josh merchandise our shop has been working on hooded sweat shirts this quarter. These will be available in three colours, blue, pink, green and black and will display the Jolly Josh logo. Simply scan the QR code to take you straight to the shop. All profit (on top of the cost price) goes to Jolly Josh.

Amazon Wish List

Our Amazon wish list has saved us £1061.72 this quarter. We have recieved things such as arts and craft supplies and props for the carnival float.

Grants and Donations

1/4/25 - Easter Quiz - £545
3/4/25 - Argos - £470
8/4/25 - Mr Michael Joesephson MBE - £5000
9/4/25 - Fashion Show - £1500
24/4/25 - Manchester Marathon - £545
27/4/25 - Hopwood Hall - £540
27/4/25 - London Marathon - £900
28/4/25 - Manchester 10K - £1500
1/5/25 - Tesco Grant - £1500
28/5/25 - Rochdale Golf Club - £1000
2/6/25 - Radial Donation - £500
8/6/25 - Rochdale Golf Club - £1022



Kings Award Celebration

On the 4th May we hosted an Open Day to celebrate one year since Jolly Josh was presented with the Kings Award For Voluntary Service, and three years since we got "Our Place To Call Home" (the Jolly Josh Centre). It was wonderful to celebrate with all of the families who attend the centre, and we raised £500 on the day.

Milnrow Newhey Districts Community Carnival

We participated in Milnrow Newhey Carnival on Saturday 21st June. We dressed our float in red white and blue for the 'best of british' theme, and we promoted our services at our stall in Milnrow memorial Park after the parade. We raised £360 on the day.



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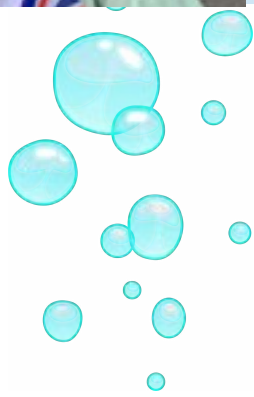
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Other Business



Quarterly LA and SEND Service Meeting

The meeting this quarter took place on 25th June and mainly focused on the new inclusion toolkit produced by the local authority. It was great to hear from other services and see how we are all working together.

Summer Holidays

The School holiday sessions this summer have been full to capacity, with siblings joining in too.

Service User Feedback

We continue to collect and act on feed back from service users..

“Myself and E feel so fortunate to have Jolly Josh close by. The centre has quickly become a safe, comfortable, inclusive place to come and enjoy. The variety of sessions are really good for all ages to enjoy. E loves the Thursday STAM sessions and gets so much benefit from them and I enjoy watching her experience the different sensations. The centre has become a safe haven for us both to make friends and connect with with people on similar journeys to ours. We love our Jolly Josh family .”



Work With Other Organisations

We collaborated with Q Gardens In The Community, Soundabout Music Charity and PEEPS HIE Charity during the Easter school holidays. These were successful sessions, where we were able to show our support to other charities, as well as the families at Jolly Josh enjoying them and making new connections.

Home Visits

We have found that a home visit to introduce Jolly Josh before joining a play sessions can make it much easier for families to take that first step through the door. Families who have English as a second language have found this particularly beneficial, and Nazreen, our bilingual Play Worker has facilitated this



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