



Integrating Children

“POSITIVE ABOUT INCLUSION”

Registered charity No. 1090260

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WHO WE ARE...

...AND WHAT WE DO

Integrating Children is a local registered charity established in 2000. We exist to provide support to children and young people with a disability to access activities of their choice in their local community within County Durham.

With our support the children are able to spend their leisure time with peers and keep in contact with friends from school, and non disabled peers on a regular basis.

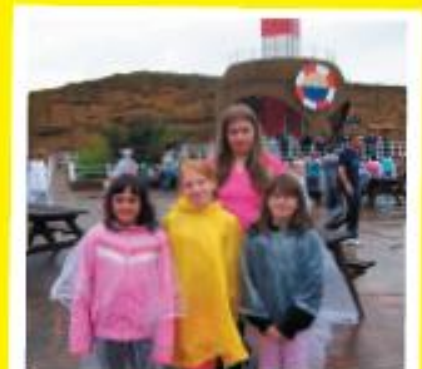
Our mission is to ensure that children with disabilities

have equal opportunities whilst ensuring they are safe, healthy and have enjoyable experiences. We strive towards enhancing social inclusion and building key life skills, such as; confidence, self esteem and communication for each child. Enabling individuals to overcome a range of physical, personal and attitudinal barriers disabled children often face.

Additionally the project provides volunteering and part time employment opportunities for local young people.

WHATS ON OFFER

- Free support service for disabled children to access activities of their choice.
- An opportunity for disabled children to go to new places and meet new friends in a safe environment.
- Allocation of a key support worker.
- Regular review of a child's progress and development.
- Respite for parents and families to recharge batteries.
- Family activities for each young person's siblings to get involved.
- An average of 190 hours a year of support service provided per child.





WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

...HERE'S HOW

We are celebrating our 10th Anniversary this year, and are currently planning a number of community events.

How you can get involved with Integrating Children –

- Become a member of the management committee
- As a volunteer with opportunities of part time employment for the right people
- As a donor or sponsor
- Organiser of fund raising activities,
- Making a referral for your child or a child you work with;

All contact should be made through the Project Manager and details can be found on the back page of this leaflet.

SAFETY. IT'S OUR PRIORITY

We are committed to maintaining a safe work force and safeguarding children therefore

- All staff and volunteers undergo an enhanced CRB disclosure.
- Work in partnership with the Health & Safety Company ensuring policies and procedures are updated regularly.
- We carry out risk assessments before each activity takes place.



ACHIEVEMENTS SO FAR

- Work with over 130 children at any time
- Provided support to over 100 families
- 52 week service for children
- Provide joint activities for siblings
- Massive improvement in confidence and skills for individual children and young people
- We have achieved and maintained Investing in Children

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYMENT

Integrating Children currently consists of 2 full time staff, 26 part time support workers and a number of volunteers.

We provide employment to the local community and offer volunteering opportunities for young people giving them training and experience, which has resulted in careers in the social care sector.

For further information on employment or volunteering refer to the back page for contact details.