

Tasty, fun-filled summer for Yorkshire's deaf youngsters

School's out and deaf youngsters across Yorkshire are set for a tasty, fun-filled summer holiday thanks to coHearentVision's Summer Play Scheme.

The region's leading charity for deaf and blind people will be hosting a range of activities throughout the summer to keep deaf children and young people entertained until the start of the new academic year.

coHearentVision will be providing exciting trips to key tourist and educational centres throughout Yorkshire and beyond, including EUREKA, the Royal Armouries, Cadbury's World and Lightwater Valley.

Workshops with urban art company, Suga Brown, and Huddersfield charity, Music and the Deaf, will also take place to encourage creative youngsters with a passion for performance to hone their skills and feel good about themselves.

The Summer Play Scheme is open to youngsters aged 5 - 15 years and will run from 3rd - 26th August 2010.

Barbara Fraher, Youth Development Officer at coHearentVision, said: 'School has finished for another summer and already our activity programme has attracted many deaf children and young people from the area. We're always looking to welcome more to the scheme to make the most of the fantastic opportunities that have been presented to us by these leading organisations.'

The programme of events is designed to give deaf children and young people the chance to shine and really build their confidence to encourage social involvement.

We rely heavily on donations from the public and businesses in the region to allow us to provide such exciting activities to our youngsters and in such troubled times, it's great that we are able to provide such a comprehensive and inclusive programme of entertainment for our very talented children.

Any parents or carers interested in enrolling their child on the Summer Play Scheme, or for more information, contact Barbara Fraher at coHearentVision on 0113 200 5270 / 07775 444010 or email barbara.fraher@cohearentvision.org.uk

To donate or find out more about coHearentVision, visit www.cohearentvision.org.uk or call 0113 243 8328.

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- " Braille and large print service
- " Audio description services
- " A deafblind unit to provide comprehensive support to deafblind people, their carers and families
- " Sign language interpreting service

- " A lively youth development service
- " Counselling and support
- " Symbolic Language Service for those with learning disabilities
- " Social facilities and activities

coHearentVision also delivers a range of accredited courses and qualifications to help people satisfy the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 & 2004, including:

- " Taster Course, Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 in British Sign Language
- " Business training in Sensory Awareness, encompassing Blind Awareness, Deaf Awareness, Hard of Hearing Awareness and Deafblind Awareness skills.