



EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICE



West Lothian & surrounding areas

KIDS

ASN FRIENDLY

WINTER ACTIVITIES

- ✓ **Outdoor Activities**
- ✓ **Sports Clubs**
- ✓ **After-school fun**
- ✓ **& much more**



WEST LOTHIAN INCLUSIVE WINTER ACTIVITIES

At the Root Theatre

Description: Bingo and his Elf friends are coming to West Lothian all the way from the North Pole to share their stories and to spread some Christmas time cheer! More Information found [here](#)

When + where? Sat 9th & Sun 17th December, 1.30pm
Forestbank Community Centre (Sat) & Kirknewton Village Hall (Sun)

ASN friendly? Yes

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Dobbies Children's Festive Afternoon tea

Description: The whole family can enjoy an afternoon tea experience at Dobbies which includes: Finger sandwiches, homemade scones + more delicious sweet treats.

How often? Throughout November and December.

ASN friendly? Yes

More Information found [here](#)

Beecraigs Festive Forest

Description: Featuring one of the UK's most powerful laser shows and stunning lighting effects. A magical experience for the whole family. All tickets must be bought online in advance.

When + where? 1st -23rd December, Beecraigs Country Park.

ASN friendly? Yes, the whole event is ASN friendly. A storyboard is available to download on the website.

<https://beecraigsfestiveforest.com/faq/>

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Jupiter Artland Christmas Fair

Description: Jupiter Artland will be transformed into a magical winter wonderland. Experience live seasonal music, visit Santa, pick up some delicious street food, meet Jupiter's Festive Donkeys or book to visit the [Elf Workshop](#).

When? 9th and 10th of December

ASN friendly? Yes

More Information found [here](#)

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Glasgow Kings Theatre Pantomime - Snow White

Description: Starring pantomime legends Elaine C Smith and Johnny Mac. A show full of comedy, song, dance and fun costumes.

When + where? Running throughout December/ January at the King's Theatre Glasgow.

ASN friendly? Yes. ASN performances on the 12th 15th, 19th and 20th of December. Signed, audio description and captioned performance available. [Website Link](#)

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Almond Valley - ASN-friendly Santa

Description: A relaxed and distraction-free meeting with Santa in his cottage, especially designed for those with autism. All will be peaceful and straightforward. Tickets must be booked in advance.

When + where? 2nd and 3rd of December, Almond Valley visitor centre Livingston.

ASN friendly? Yes

More information found [here](#)

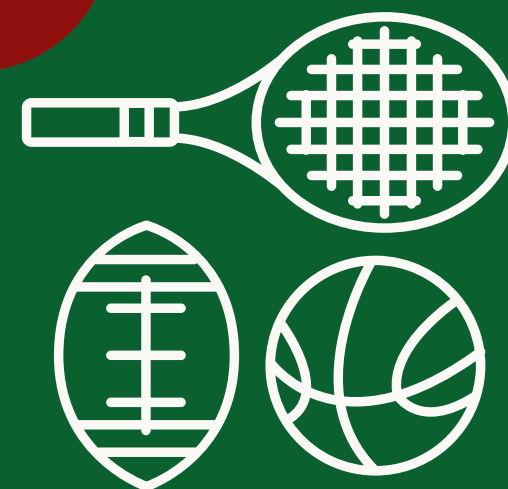
No Limits Sports Club - Winter Events

Description: Find all of No Limits upcoming December events on their [website](#), from exciting Panto's to ten pin bowling experiences.

ASN friendly? Yes - Specifically designed for children and young people with ASN.

More Information found [here](#)

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Sensory Sunday Preview

Description: Families with children with ASN are invited to join our programme of sensory play sessions. Explore the museum's collections, get creative and meet other families.

When + where? Running daily from the 3rd Dec - 2nd June 2024. 11am-12:30pm at the National Museum of Scotland

ASN friendly? Yes.

More information found [here](#)

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Christmas Craft Fair & Fun Day

Description: Over 60 local craft suppliers providing an all manner of gifts and crafts. £1 door entry includes one raffle ticket. Enjoy a Christmas magic mirror Photobooth, Kids drawing table, tombola and Santa's grotto.

When + where? 3rd of December - Inveralmond Community Highschool, Livingston.

ASN friendly? Yes. This event is open to everyone of all ages and abilities.



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Believe in Santa - ASN session

Description: A magical experience for the whole family to enjoy festive storytelling. Visit Santa in his grotto and receive a gift from Santa's workshop. Ride on M&D's indoor Italian Carousel. Visit Rudolph and his friends on site until Christmas Eve.

When + where? Running dates - 10th, 15th and 22nd of December at M&D's Scotland's Theme Park, Strathclyde Country Park, Motherwell.

ASN friendly? Yes.

More information found [here](#)

Quiet Grotto Experience

Description: Santa's grotto is one of our most-loved festive experiences at Dobbies. During your visit, we'll make sure all music is off, Twinkling lights switched off, you can choose to have your child's gift wrapped or not.

When + where? 8th of December - Livingston Dobbies. Must pre-book, using this [link](#).

ASN friendly? Yes. Prior to your visit, Dobbies will email a photo of your specific grotto to prepare children for what they will see on the day.

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Wondrous Woods - Relaxed Evening

Description: An evening of toned down effects, reduced noise and more static lighting in order to make the Wondrous Woods experience a more enjoyable experience for customers with Autism or other sensory processing needs.

When + where? Wednesday 15th November 2023 at Gosford House. Time slots available from 5:30pm.

ASN friendly? Yes. Find out more [here](#)

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Let's Rock the Spectrum Christmas Party

Description: Come dance, play games and meet Santa! Tickets available for Toddlers and mixed age groups. Find out more [here](#)

When + where? 16th of December

ASN friendly? Yes. LRTS is a fully inclusive play space dedicated to allowing every child the opportunity to play. Cater from tiny babies to children ages 6/7. However understand some children would benefit and enjoy the space who are slightly older.

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Five Sister Zoo Illuminations

Description: Admire the thousands of lights and Christmas decorations covering the zoo, meet Santa's elves and enchanted characters, enjoy an array of festive market stalls and say 'hello' to all of the wonderful animals in the zoo.

When + where? Running 17th-25th November, every Friday & Saturday evening. Running every evening from the 1st-23rd December.

ASN friendly? Yes. The zoo is mainly flat and is wheelchair, mobility scooter and buggy friendly. Hills can be avoided and will be identified on the map given to you at the entrance.

More information can be found [here](#)





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Additional information can be found via official websites or by telephone.



Alternatively, use this QR to open a map of all these location bases.