



Hello Everyone...

T'was the month before Christmas, and all the elves at Carers Northumberland were working hard to make sure young carers had some lovely activities to attend.

Merry Christmas everyone! Take a look at some of our festive activities. For those of you that love cooking and crafts we have some fun Zoom sessions you can join in with.

Anne-Marie & Karen

Book it.



ALL ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS MUST BE PRE-BOOKED

How to book

Via our website:

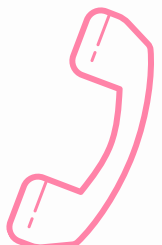
www.carersnorthumberland.org.uk/new-and-events

Telephone: 01670 320025

Email: youngcarers@carersnorthumberland.org.uk



**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF OUR
NEW BOOKING SYSTEM**





Please note: Activities may be cancelled if we do not meet minimum numbers.

Date	Time	Activity	Age group	Book by
Wednesday 18 th November	6pm-9pm (exact times tbc)	Alnwick Garden/Lilidorei Winter Lights	8+	8/11/26
Saturday 21 st November	11am-12pm	Dog and Scone	12+	8/11/26
Wednesday 25 th November	3:45pm-5:15pm	Youth club	8+	13/11/26
Thursday 26 th November	4:30pm-5:30pm	Tie dye t-shirts (Zoom)	all	9/11/26
Monday 30 th November	4:30pm-5pm	Meet the team	all	15/11/26
Thursday 10 th December	6pm-8:30pm	Snow White pantomime	8+	26/11/26
Sunday 13 th December	12pm-2pm	InflataNation	8+	26/11/26
Wednesday 16 th December	3:45pm-5:15pm	Youth club	8+	10/12/26
Thursday 17 th December	4:30pm-5:30pm	Yule log decorating (Zoom)	all	30/11/26

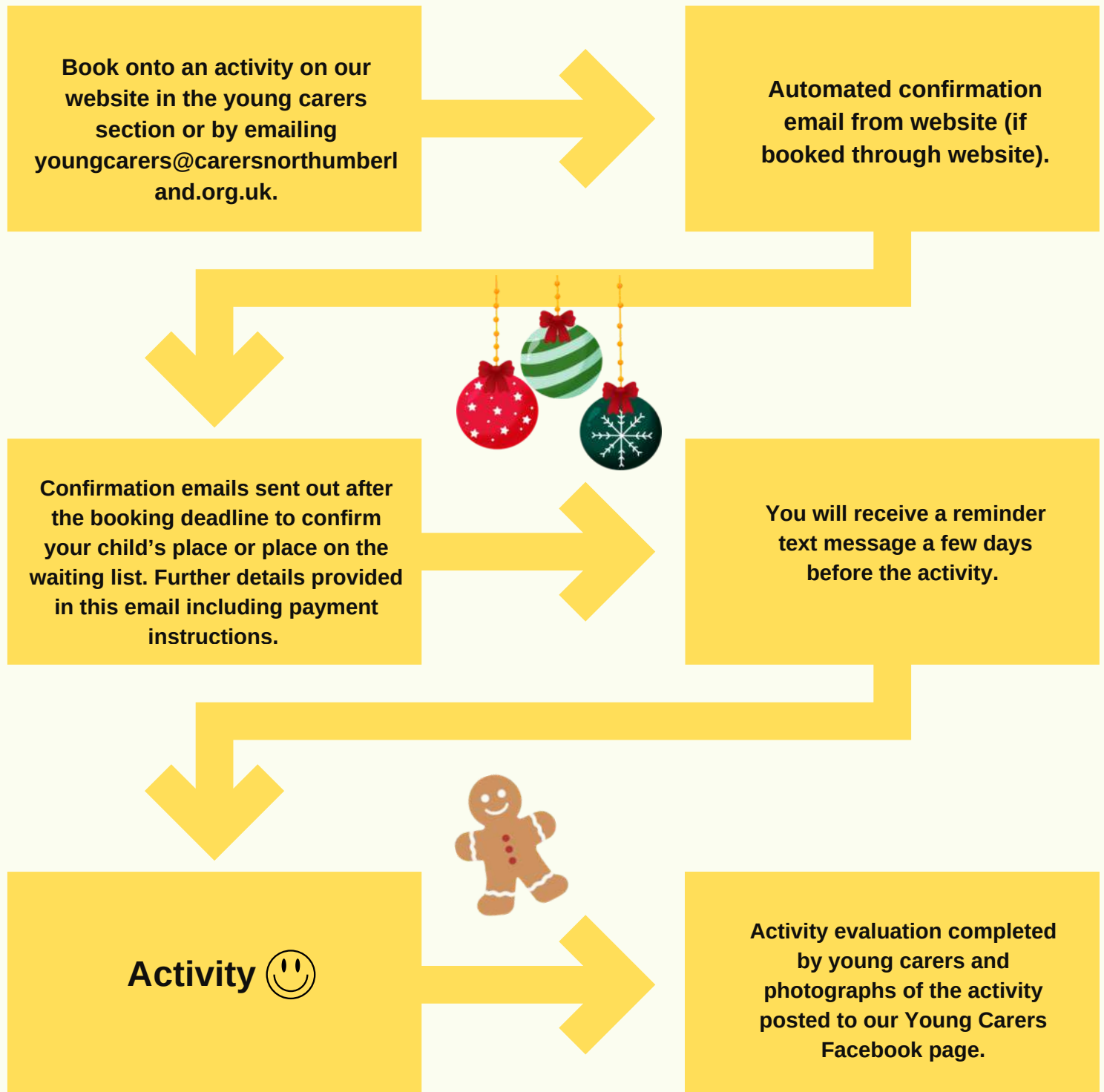
Activities

Please take note of the age symbol next to our activities:

- 8 plus means for young carers aged over 8
- 12 plus is for those over 12
- If an activity has an all symbol it is open to any age



How to book onto activities



Please do not come to an activity without booking. If you have not had a booking confirmation email confirming your child's place and with further details contact us prior to the activity. Please cancel activities ASAP if you cannot make it.

YOUNG CARERS YOUTH CLUB

8+

FREE
ENTRY

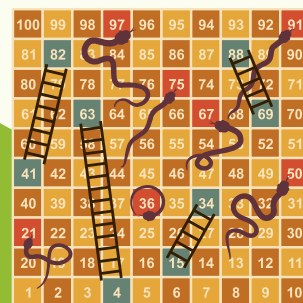


Wednesday 25th November &
Wednesday 16th December
3:45pm - 5:15pm

FREE FOOD, GAMES & FUN.

Briardale House, Blyth. No transport, no cost.

**BOOK NOW BY CALLING
01670 320025**





Dog & Scone Cafe 12+

Join us for the cutest and most adorable day meeting 11 small dogs from a range of breeds. The cafe also has the most delicious hot chocolates for you to truly relax and take some 'me time'.

Saturday 21st November 11am-12pm.

Book by Sunday 8th November.

£5 cost. Train transport from Ashington, Blyth, Bedlington, Seaton Delaval or meet us at the venue in Newcastle or Central Station.



TIE DYE T-SHIRTS



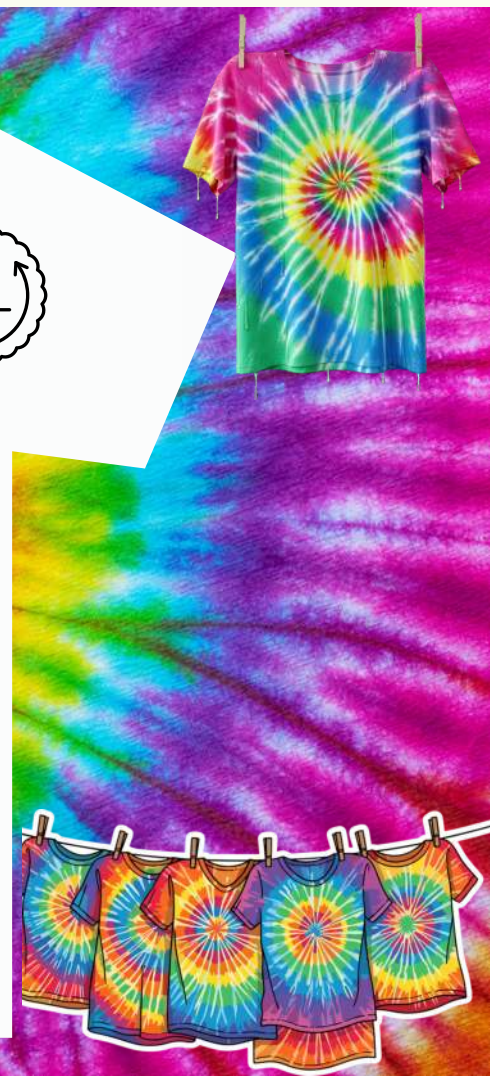
Join us on Zoom to make your very own tie dye t-shirt. Get creative, choose your design and create something that is unique.

Thursday 26th November

4:30pm-5:30pm.

Book by Monday 9th November.

No cost.





General Knowledge Round

1. What is the first name of Scrooge in the novel A Christmas Carol?
2. How do you say Merry Christmas in Spanish?
3. What is the name of Macaulay Culkin's character in Home Alone?
4. What colour are the berries on mistletoe?
5. 26th December is also known as which saint's day?
6. On the seventh day of Christmas, what does my true love give to me?
7. Which country gives Britain a Christmas tree each year as a thank you for support during World War II?
8. If you have your birthday on Christmas Day, what is your star sign?
9. Name 4 of Santa's 8 original reindeer.
10. What gifts were given by the Three Wise Men to Baby Jesus?



Anagram Round



Unwrap the letters to find
the Christmas word or phrase

1. ENLIST
2. DISPATCH DRUMS GIN
3. DRY BAN
4. MANS WON
5. CAN CAN DYE
6. BADGE RINGER
7. MICE PINE
8. BLESSING KIT PAN
9. IVY TITAN
10. KING SCOT





Welcome Meeting



Newly registered, fancy a refresher about what we offer or just have questions? Join us online via Zoom for an introduction to our service. Bring a family member along too if you wish.

Monday 30th November 4:30pm-5pm.
Book by 15th November.

InflataNation



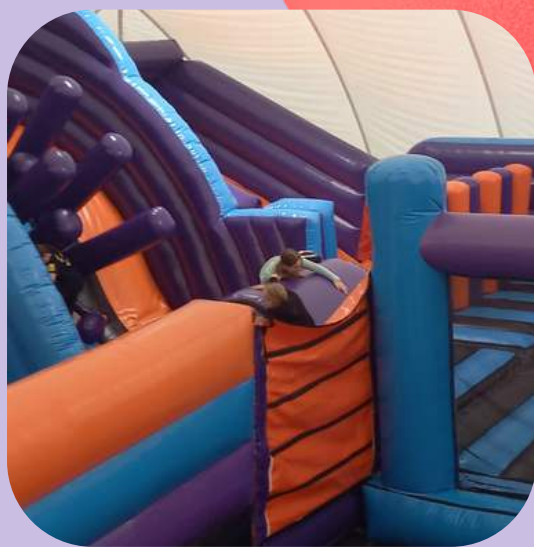
Bounce until your heart is content at InflataNation followed by a spot of pizza and ice cream for lunch on us.

Sunday 13th December 12pm-2pm
Book by Thursday 26th November.

Transport from Alnwick, Ashington, Blyth and Cramlington.

£7 cost (includes pizza and icecream).

Limited spaces available.



Gary Telfer for Blue Genie Entertainment and Playhouse Whitley Bay present

THE NORTH EAST'S OWN **MICHELLE HEATON** LIBERTY X



'Mirror mirror on the wall, what's the best panto of them all?' Join us at Whitley Bay Play House to watching this years pantomime, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. It's going to be fabulous! Oh no it isn't, **OH YES IT IS!**

Thursday 10th December 6pm-8:30pm
Book by Monday 26th November.



£5 cost. Transport from Alnwick, Amble, Ashington, Bedlington and Cramlington.

This will likely be very popular so ensure you book by the deadline.



Young Carers Action Day 2027 is all about your future. Help us showcase what you want to do and be in your future by completing the below to your future self and returning it back to us. Email a photo or scan to youngcarers@carersnorthumberland.org.uk or hand it in at an activity.



Dear future me,

Right now I am...

Something that makes me happy is...

Something I am proud of is...

One thing I want to tell future me...

Something I hope I've done by the time you read this...

I hope you always remember...

Something I hope still makes you laugh...

Alnwick Garden Winter Lights



Come with us to explore Alnwick Garden illuminated with festive and Christmas lights. We'll also visit Lilidorei.

Wednesday 18th November.
6pm-9pm (exact times TBC)
Book by Sunday 8th November.

Transport from Bedlington, Ashington, Cramlington, Blyth and Amble.
£5 cost.

CHRISTMAS YULE LOG



Get in to the festive spirit by creating a delicious chocolate yule log on Zoom.

Thursday 17th December 4:30pm-5:30pm.
Book by Monday 30th November.

No cost.



Answers



Anagram round

1. Tinsel
2. Christmas pudding
3. Brandy
4. Snowman
5. Candy cane
6. Gingerbread
7. Mince pie
8. Pigs in blankets
9. Nativity
10. Stocking

General knowledge round

1. Ebenezer
2. Feliz Navidad
3. Kevin
4. White
5. St. Stephen's Day
6. Swans a-swimming
7. Norway
8. Capricorn
9. Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen (Rudolph wasn't part of the original gang!)
10. Gold, frankincense and myrrh

Gingerbread people recipe



Ingredients:

- 350g/12oz plain flour, plus extra for rolling out
- 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 2 tsp ground ginger
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 125g/4½oz butter
- 175g/6oz light soft brown sugar
- 1 free-range egg
- 4 tbsp golden syrup

To decorate:

- icing pens
- cake decorations

Method:

1. Sift together the flour, bicarbonate of soda, ginger and cinnamon and pour into the bowl of a food processor. Add the butter and blend until the mix looks like breadcrumbs. Stir in the sugar.
2. Lightly beat the egg and golden syrup together, add to the food processor and pulse until the mixture clumps together. Tip the dough out, knead briefly until smooth, wrap in clingfilm and leave to chill in the fridge for 15 minutes.
3. Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas 4. Line two baking trays with greaseproof paper.
4. Roll the dough out to a 0.5cm/¼in thickness on a lightly floured surface. Using cutters, cut out the gingerbread men shapes and place on the baking tray, leaving a gap between them. For decorations, use a skewer to make a small hole in the top of each biscuit.
5. Bake for 12-15 minutes, or until lightly golden-brown. Leave on the tray for 10 minutes and then move to a wire rack to finish cooling. When cooled decorate with the writing icing and cake decorations.

Young Carers Forum



Our next Young Carers Forum will be:

When: Wednesday 28th October 2026

Time: 1pm -2pm

Where: 107-109 Station Road, Ashington, NE63 8RS

Light refreshments available and travel costs will be reimbursed. Ambassadors will be rewarded with a lanyard, gift card after each session attended and an end of year trip if they attend 3 or more meetings. Meetings can be attended in person or online via Zoom.



Your young carer ambassadors are:

- Ivy Wyatt
- Jessica Turnbull
- Kaitlyn Batchelor - Bowman
- Millie Sparrow
- Elliot Moody
- Laila Irving
- Layla Norton
- Scarlett Hall



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