October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 ANNUAL EVENT Son's & Daughter's Event, Zeal Monachorum	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 CARER-LED SUPPORT GROUP (Specialising in Tier 3 Issues) Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 HALF TERM TREAT! Trip to Milky Way for children with disabilities (courtesy of the Rotary Club- check website for further qualifying details)	21
22	23	24	25 FOSTER WALK @ Eggesford Forest Meet at Barnstaple train station 10.15 for departure at 11.00am. 3 mile walk with picnic lunch followed by tea and cake at the Garden Centre (courtesy of the Fostering Service @)	26	27	28
29	30	31 HALLO'WEEN				

North, South, Mid & East, Exeter, Whole County Event

School Half Term dates

Idea's; Jumble sale, Table top Sale, Ramble, Forest Walk, Beach walk & Shared picnic lunch, Local Theme park days out, Treasure Hunt

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 ANNUAL EVENT DAY TRIP TO THE MILKY WAY, North Devon at reduced entry of £5 per person for ALL of Devon's foster carers – why not bring a picnic and meet up? Please ensure you bring your Fostering ID card to receive your discounted rate.
5	6	7	8	9 CARER-LED SUPPORT GROUP (Specialising in Tier 3 issues) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	10	11 QUIZ NIGHT (for the whole family!) (5 – 7.30 pm). Fremington Village Hall. Plenty of car parking available. It would be helpful to know how many are coming for setting up purposes, so please let us know. £5 per family table. (Bring a prize to win a prize! (3))
12	13	14 DFCA MEETING, 10.30 – 1pm Oaklands Court, Tiverton	15	16	17 CHILDREN IN NEED 2017 DAY!	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 JUMBLE SALE (2 - 4 pm) At Baptist Church Hall, Nelson Rd, Westward Ho! (Sellers arrive from 11.30 to set up) £3.50 per table to sell, 50p entry on the door, Tea and Juice 20p each (includes a biscuit! (2)).
26	27	28	29	30		

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Idea's; Jumble sale, Table top Sale, Ramble/Forest Walk/Beach walk & Shared picnic lunch, Local Theme park meet-up, Treasure Hunt

December 2017

Sun		Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						1	2
3		4 SOUTH - Christmas Support Group & Buffet at Colebrook Community Centre	5 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	6	7	8	9
10 NORTH - Xmas Party Fremington Village Hall. 5-7.30pm	10 EXETER - Xmas Party The Deepway Centre, Exminster 3-6 pm	11 NORTH – Christmas Coffee morning at Leigh Strange's, Bideford from 12 – 2 pm	12	13 MID & EAST - Coffee Morning at Nicky Knight's, Cullompton 11.30 a.m.	14	15	16
17		18	19	20 NORTH – Winter Walk, The Beach, Westward Ho! 10 – 12 noon (Start Main Car Park)	21 MID & EAST & EXETER - Day at The Donkey Sanctuary 11 – 3pm	22	23
24		25 CHRISTMAS DAY!	26	27	28	29	30
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School Half Term dates

Idea's; Christmas Pantomime/ Party, Treasure Hunt & Shared picnic lunch, Local Theme park day meet-up, Jumble sale/Table top Sale

January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 FOSTERING SERVICE Xmas Pantomime / Carers' Celebration Event @ Northcote Theatre, Exeter 7.30 p.m	6
7	8 EXETER – Support Group, St. Marks' Church, Pinhoe Road, Exeter 10 -12 noon	9 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) The Freedom Centre, B'ple 10.30 – 12.30	10 DFCA Meeting – 10.30 – 12.30 Oaklands Court, Tiverton	11 SOUTH – Support Group, Plympton	12	13
14	15	16 NORTH – Support Group, Frithelstock Village Hall, Frithelstockstone 10 am – 12 noon	17 MID & EAST – Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	18	19	20 Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Link Group - Coffee Morning 10 – 12 noon Salvation Army Hall, Oakleigh Road, Barnstaple, EX32 8JT 20 DFCA Social Event -Drop- In at The Milky Way North Devon (Max Cards provide discounted entry)
21	22	23 SOUTH – Support Group Kingsteignton / Newton Abbot	24	25	26	27 EXETER – HOME FOR GOOD EVENT 1-3 Emmanuel Evangelical Church, Exminster
28	29	30	31			

School Half Term dates

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February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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4	5 EXETER – Support Group, St. Marks' Church, Pinhoe Road, Exeter 10 -12 noon	6	7	8	9 NORTH – Support Group, Holy Trinity Church, Barnstaple 10 am – 12 noon	10
11	12	13	14 NORTH – WALK IN THE NORTH (Instow Beach)1 – 5 pm Meet at Marine Parade Car Park	15 NORTH – Half Term Activity - THE BIG SHEEP 11am onwards	16	17
18	19	20 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30 20 SOUTH – SUPPORT GROUP - Tavistock	21 MID & EAST – Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	22	23	24
25	26	27 SOUTH – SUPPORT GROUP Kingsteignton / Newton Abbot	28			

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March 2018

Sun Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat

4	5 EXETER – Support Group, St. Marks' Church, Pinhoe	6	7	8 SOUTH – Support Group, Plympton	9 DFCA Meeting 10.30 – 1.00 p.m. Oaklands Court, Tiverton	10 NORTH – DFCA Prize Bingo Night - 5.30pm Fremington
	Road, Exeter 10 -12				Tiverton	Village Hall
11		13 NORTH – Support Group - Frithelstock Village Hall, Frithelstockstone 10 am – 12 noon 13 EXETER - Half-term social event - TRAGO MILLS Meet & view the Hornby Model Railway at 11 am then a ride on the model steam railway at 11.15. Optional lunch at Staple Hill Servery at 12 noon and visit the ice rink at 1pm.	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 MID & EAST- Support Group Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11–1 pm	22 SOUTH WEST FOSTERING FORUM TAUNTON	23 CHILDREN IN CARE AWARDS- ST JAMES SCHOOL, EXETER 6 pm - 9pm	24
25	26	27 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	28	29	30 Good Friday	31

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April 2018

Sun Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat

1 EASTER SUNDAY	2 EASTER BANK HOLIDAY	3 WHOLE COUNTY – DFCA EASTER EGG HUNT @ Collard Bridge Scout Camp, Snapper, Nr. Barnstaple EX32 7JY 11 – 5pm more information at http://collardbridge.ukscouts.org.uk/	4	5 Fun Day out at the Milky Way Adventure Park, Clovelly -11.00am. Remember packed lunches	6	7
8	9	10 NORTH – SPRING WALK at Tamar Lakes, Kilkhampton, EX23 9SB - 10.30am till 3.30pm. Meet at the main car park at 10.30. Please bring packed lunches, wellies and waterproof coats. You will also need change for the car park as there is a small charge. Contact Lindsay Hartley Russell 07970721746 / Kim St Barbe 07870842241 for more details	11	12	13	14 WHOLE COUNTY - Fun Day out at Escot Park / Wild Wood Bring your own picnic. Confirm numbers to Karl Newton via DFCA Facebook page
15	16	17 SOUTH – Support Group - Tavistock	18 MID & EAST - Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	19	20	21
22	23	24 SOUTH – Support Group Kingsteignton / Newton Abbot	25 EXETER – Carers' Day	26 NORTH – Support Group, Holy Trinity Church, Barnstaple 7 pm – 9 pm	27 DFCA meeting – Ockment Centre, Okehampton 10.30 – 12.30 27 EXETER – Go-Karting (for over 12's and over 5'1" tall min) @ Race World Exeter EX5 1EW. Call Mandy Heggadon 07763455586 for more info.	28
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May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri Sa	at
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6	7	8 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	9	10 SOUTH – Support Group, Plympton	11	12
13	14 WHOLE COUNTY - FOSTER CARE FORTNIGHT! 14 th – 27 th May EXETER – Support Group, St. Marks' Church, Pinhoe Road, Exeter 10 -12 noon	15	16 NORTH – Support Group, Frithelstock Village Hall, Frithelstockstone 7 pm – 9 pm 16 MID & EAST – Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	17	18 CABARET EVENING 5.30 – 9 at The Waterfront Inn, Westward Ho! EX39 1LH 5.30 – 9 p.m.	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 NORTH – Fremington to Instow Walk / Bike Ride 10.30 – 3.30pm (meet at Fremington Quay at 10.30am to walk to Instow Beach on the Tarka Trail, picnic lunch on the beach, followed by taking the bus back to Fremington, where there will be drinks and cakes (paid for by Fostering) at the Café on Fremington Quay. DON'T FORGET YOUR PICNIC!!!	30	31 NORTH- Watermouth Castle Adventure Park near Ilfracombe from 11.00am Please bring a packed lunch.		

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June 2018

Sun Wed Thurs Fri Sat Mon Tues 1 Walk through Haldon Woods, Exeter. Meet at the car park at 10;30 am, for a walk around the forest ending with coffee and cake at the café. Bring a picnic. Contact Sarah Denton for info. 5 8 **DFCA meeting** 10.30 a.m. – 1.00p.m. at 9 4 EXETER -6 Congregational Church Community Rooms, Support Group, St. Marks' Crediton EX17 3LB Church, Pinhoe Road, Exeter 10 -12 noon 13 16 10 Air Extreme 5.30 till 12 SOUTH - Support Group 15 NORTH – Support Group, Holy Trinity 11 14 6.30 Barnstaple - Tavistock Church, Barnstaple 10 am - 12 noon 17 18 19 NORTH - CARER LED 20 MID & 21 22 23 **SUPPORT GROUP (Run by** EAST carers with experience of Support managing complex **Group** at behaviours) at The Colaton Freedom Centre, Raleigh Barnstaple 10.30 - 12.30 Village Hall 11-1 24 Social Event. Waie 25 26 **SOUTH - Support Group** 28 29 27 30 Inn, Zeal Monachorum Kingsteignton / Newton 11 – 4 (Swimming pool Abbot from 11-12 and 3-4). Meet for lunch at 1pm

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JULY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2 EXETER – Support Group, St. Marks' Church, Pinhoe Road, Exeter 10 - 12 noon. Cancelled!	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 NORTH – Support Group, Frithelstock Village Hall, Frithelstockstone 10 am – 12 noon	11	12 SOUTH – Support Group, Plympton	13	14 EXMOOR FUN, FAMILY DAY! Meet at Haddon Hill Car Park, TA4 2DS (Fireside cooking, den- making, bug hunts and more)
15	16	17 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	18 MID & EAST - Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	19 DFCA, Oaklands Court, Tiverton 10.30 - 1	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 WATERMOUTH CASTLE (North only) 10.30	27 PARK DAY & PICNIC (North Devon) 11 – 4pm DFCA will provide all food but don't forget to bring drinks and swimming kit – meet at the paddling pool	28
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5 BEACH DAY (North Devon) Instow - <i>DFCA will provide all food, but don't forget to bring drinks and sun cream for your youngsters</i> - 11 a.m. meet up	6	7	8	9	10 NORTH WALK – Lynton & Lynmouth	11
12	13	14	15 NORTH Rock-pooling with the Rangers at Northam Burrows. <i>More info to follow.</i>	16	17	18
19 NORTH – Football Turn Up & Play & Picnic – Kingsley School Field 10 – 4 pm - £1 per child. (further details to follow)	20	21	22	23	24	25 DINOSAUR PARK, Combe Martin (North Devon) <i>Details to follow</i>
26	27	28	29	30	31 MILKY WAY & WAKE PARK – (further details to follow)	

August 2018
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September 2018

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2	3	4	5	6	7	8 SURF DAY – Croyde 11.15 – 1.30 AND 2.30 - 4.30 (bring a lunch)
9	10	11 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	12	13 SOUTH – Support Groups, Plympton 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Colebrook Community Centre AND Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1pm DFCA – AGM, The Kenn Centre, Kennford 10.30 – 1.30	14	15
16	17	18	19 MID & EAST – Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	20 NORTH – Support Group, Holy Trinity Church, Barnstaple 7 pm – 9 pm	21	22
23	24	25 SOUTH – Support Group Kingsteignton / Newton Abbot	26 NORTH – Support Group, Frithelstock Village Hall, Frithelstockstone 7 pm – 9 pm	27	28	29
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7 SONS & DAUGHTERS' DAY, Waie Inn, Zeal Monachorum 11 – 5	8	9	10	11 SOUTH – Support Group, Plympton	12 NORTH – Support Group Holy Trinity Church, Barnstaple 10 am – 12 noon	13 NORTH – TABLE TOP SALE 2pm – 4 pm (Sellers from 1 pm) Venue tbc
14	15	16 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30 16 SOUTH – Support Group - Tavistock	17 MID & EAST - Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 FOSTER CARE CONFERENCE			

October 2018

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Idea's; Jumble sale/Table top Sale, Treasure Hunt, Forest Walk & Shared picnic lunch, Local Theme park day meet-up

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11	12	13 NORTH – Support Group, Frithelstock Village Hall, Frithelstockstone 10 am – 12 noon	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 MID & EAST – Support Group at Colaton Raleigh Village Hall 11 – 1 pm	22	23	24
25	26	27 SOUTH – Support Group Kingsteignton / Newton Abbot	28	29	30	

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December 2018

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2	3	4	5 NORTH – Support Group & Christmas Lunch Filleigh Village Hall, Filleigh, Barnstaple 10 am – 2 pm	6	7	8
9	10	11 NORTH - CARER LED SUPPORT GROUP (Run by carers with experience of managing complex behaviours) at The Freedom Centre, Barnstaple 10.30 – 12.30	12	13 SOUTH – Support Group, Plympton	14	15
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