

## Support for siblings of children with additional needs

[www.devon.gov.uk/cwan](http://www.devon.gov.uk/cwan)

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### Young carers - national

[www.youngcarers.net](http://www.youngcarers.net)

A young carer is someone under 18 years old who helps look after a parent, brother, sister, other relative or friend who, due to their disability or illness, cannot look after themselves without help.

### Young carers – Devon

[www.youngdevon.org](http://www.youngdevon.org)

Northern Devon 01237 479380

Mid Devon 01884 257511

West Devon and South Hams 01822 612555

Teignbridge 08456 434435

Exeter 08456 434435

East Devon 08456 434435

### Sibs

01535 645453 [www.sibs.org.uk](http://www.sibs.org.uk)

Website for brothers and sisters of disabled children and adults. There is a section for parents with helpful advice on meeting the needs of siblings.

### Down Syndrome Association (DSA)

0845 230 0372

[www.downs-syndrome.org.uk](http://www.downs-syndrome.org.uk)

DSA has produced a siblings information sheet

### Contact a Family

0808 808 3555 [www.cafamily.org.uk](http://www.cafamily.org.uk)

Contact a Family has produced a siblings information sheet which is available on the website.

### National Autistic Society

0845 070 4004 [www.nas.org.uk](http://www.nas.org.uk)

Has details of lots of publications specifically produced for siblings of autistic children.

### Jessica Kingsley Publishers

020 7833 2307 [www.jkp.com](http://www.jkp.com)

This publisher has a wide range of books on disability and related topics.

### Over the wall

01420 82086 [www.otw.org.uk](http://www.otw.org.uk)

Over The Wall is a charity in the UK which offers camping sessions and facilities for the siblings of sick children aged 8-17 years.

### CHICKS

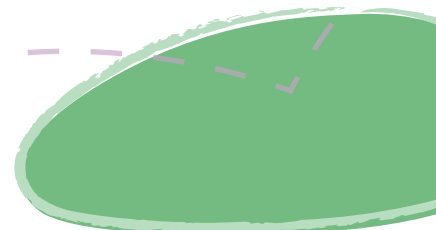
01822 811020 [www.chicks.org.uk](http://www.chicks.org.uk)

CHICKS provide holidays for children aged 8-15, including young carers.

### SSAFA

020 7463 9234 [www.ssafa.org.uk](http://www.ssafa.org.uk)

Holidays for children with special needs and their siblings. Children must be the dependants of serving regular or reserve military personnel.



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## **North Devon Siblings Youth Club**

01271 342423

A club for young people aged 11-18 years growing up with a brother or sister who have a Statement of Special Educational Needs. The group takes place on the first Saturday of each month at The Lodge, Pathfield School, Barnstaple 10am-2pm.

## **Ellen Tinkham Sibling Group**

01392 467168

admin@exeter-ellen-tinkham.devon.sch.uk

**www.exeter-ellen-tinkham.devon.sch.uk**

The Sibling Group is for children and young people who have a sibling with an additional need. It is an opportunity to talk about their concerns and worries they may have and a chance to belong to a group where they can take part in activities and make new friends.

## **Elisabeth Svendsen Trust Sidmouth**

01395 573009

**www.elisabethsvendsentrust.org.uk**

The Trust has a Saturday Club once a month for families of children with special needs. Siblings can learn to ride. There is also a drop in club during the school holidays.

## **South Devon Inclusion Service**

01803 763500

The service provides support services for children with additional needs and their families across South Devon.

## **Headway Devon**

01392 211822

alex@headwaydevon.org.uk

**www.headwaydevon.org.uk**

Headway Devon provides families with information and advice about brain injuries. Headway runs a children's centre on Saturdays for children aged 5-15 years with a support group for parents and siblings.

## **General support services**

### **Devon Parent Partnership**

01392 383080

**www.parentpartnershipdevon.org.uk**

There are several Parent Partnership officers in Devon who offer support, advice and training to families of children with special needs. They can also help with issues around your child's education.

### **Parent Carers' Voice forums**

01392 384869

**www.parentcarersvoice.org**

A group of parents and carers who want to improve services for children with special needs. They meet regularly around the county to talk about relevant issues.

### **DISCplus local information co-ordinators**

The co-ordinators are there to help you get information on services and support available in your area.

Phone the main office on **0845 155 1013** and ask to speak to your local co-ordinator or email **discplus@devon.gov.uk**

