

Q - Do you do parties for children without special needs? A - Yes we do!

The Space Centre is a charitable organisation providing sensory environments for anyone of any age with additional needs. The centre is open 7 days a week in order to cover the demand for special need sessions. Our groups come from all over the North West and beyond as there are very few facilities like Space in the UK.

We do have some availability for non special needs groups. These times are usually at the weekend in Space 1 for parties for pre-school and primary age children. Space 1 is ideal for non special needs as it is padded upstairs and downstairs, has a slide, ball pool and a fibre optic hut with musical steps.

The capacity for Space 1 is 25 people for pre-school and 20 for primary age which includes children and all accompanying adults. We do ask that there are at least 5 adults for supervision purposes.

The cost is £60 for the sensory play hour.

Mums & Toddler Groups and parties for pre-school age children can also be held in Space 2 at 9.30am-10.30am only. This time slot is available because our special needs groups tend not to be able to make such an early slot. Space 2 also has a slide, clamber area and ball pool but the floor is not padded upstairs. It is slightly larger so can accommodate 30 people, at least 5 of which should be adults.

The cost is £65 for the sensory play hour.

You can view Space 1 and 2 rooms on YouTube or on our Facebook page. Follow this link for YouTube:

www.youtube.com/results?search_query=the+space+centre+preston

There is also an option of hiring our party room (The Terrace Room) for £25 after your sensory play hour for food and games if desired. This is on a 'village hall hire' basis where you bring you own food and drink and take your own rubbish away! We do ask for a £20 deposit which is returnable after your party if the room is left in a satisfactory state - this includes rubbish being removed and a quick sweep and wipe of the tables.

You can bring your own music to play on our iPod dock or CD player and also bring balloons etc. We do ask you not to tape/stick anything on the walls though as this damages the paint and artwork in the room.

Parking – Most of the parking at Space is reserved for our special needs groups, but the party organisers can park at the front door to unload food etc and then park in our rear car park. We ask you to ask your guests to park on Egerton Road and walk the 200 yards down Pedders Lane to Space. Alternatively they can use Homebase car park. (Please NEVER park in Whinfield Lane or Pedders Grove opposite Space as these roads are very narrow and busy).

A party at Space for children without special needs is really a DIY situation. We do not provide invitations or party bags and we realise that the parking is not ideal. However you will be helping a charity by booking your party here and helping to subsidise the running costs of the centre which are huge! There are hundreds of children and adults with very varied difficulties who visit Space regularly each month and gain skills from the bespoke facilities. We need to keep this valuable resource going for their benefit.





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