

# SPEAKING SPACE SCOOP



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Welcome to the first edition of our seasonal newsletter written and compiled by members with learning disabilities at Speaking Space Day Service in Romsey. We plan to deliver the Speaking Space Scoop regularly throughout the year to various locations, as well as publish on our new Facebook page and website.

## Our brand new project!

At the start of the year we began our new project. We have been making and creating lots of exciting products which we will begin selling to the public very soon! The members have voted on the brand name of our project, and we have settled on "Creative Space". There have been different groups doing various projects. The woodwork groups have been learning to sand, screw and varnish. They have also been collecting natural materials to add to the bug houses they have made and have been using their new skills to make boot jacks. The art groups have been experimenting with paint, including marbling techniques and using different brushstrokes, as well as, creating textured papers which have been used to make some beautiful greetings card. Projects in the pipeline include creating paper mâché trinket dishes, confetti, and bird feeders. Our member Ale says, "I can't wait for everyone to see our hard work!". Keep an eye on our Facebook page to purchase our products soon.



Scan the QR code to follow our page and keep up to date with what's going on!!



## Meet our member Torsie....

What 3 words describe you best?

*Cheeky, Helpful, Calm*

What do you like about Speaking Space?

*Its just like a family to me.*

What is your favourite session at Speaking Space?

*I like Zones of Regulation sessions, learning about our feelings and how to manage them. Also, I like learning about body language and interpreting it.*

Who do you live with?

*I live in a supported living house with 5 other people. James who lives with me, also comes to Speaking Space.*

How do you get to Speaking Space?

*I get dropped off and collected by a taxi which has been pre-booked for me.*

What day do you come to Speaking Space?

*I come on Mondays, once a week.*

What are your hobbies?

*I love music and dancing! I play the drums, piano, guitar and flute. My favourite artists are Little Mix and Steps.*

Cake or Pie?

*Both!! Chocolate Cake and Steak Pie*

Custard, Cream, or Ice-cream on pudding?

*Definitely dairy free ice-cream for me!*

What famous person would you like to meet the most?

*Celine Dion, Jennifer Anniston, and Meryl Streep – They are 3 amazing women!*



## Can we help you!?

We are keen to do some volunteering in the Romsey area and would love to hear if you or your organisation would like any support from our members. Please contact us on 02380 987134 or at [lauren@speaking-space.co.uk](mailto:lauren@speaking-space.co.uk). If you have any opportunities that we could help with.

## Our Christmas Show!

Speaking Space will be putting on a Christmas show this year and all the members will be part of it! We are looking for a suitable location to put on the event at the moment and would love for the public to attend. We have already started to prepare and have different groups focusing on different areas of the show. The creative writing group have started working on the script so that the Art, Drama and Music groups can get to work. The Art groups are starting to create props, backdrops and costumes. The Drama groups are working on their confidence ready for performing and will soon be starting Sing and Sign rehearsals. Nearer the time we will also have members preparing for front of house roles, including handing out programmes. The members are really looking forward to entertaining everyone and showing off what we've been working on. They have said that they are excited to show off their independence skills and will be proud to give a great performance for everyone to enjoy!



## Jonathan's Wordsearch

Can you find Jonathan's 9 Speaking Space related words?



Communication  
Gardening  
News

Cooking  
Makaton  
Stories

Drama  
Music  
Woodwork

If you are interested in finding out more about our fantastic day service, focusing on members learning and working towards their life goals, then please visit our website for more information— <http://www.speakingspace.co.uk/>

For information on our current vacancies, please visit the vacancies page on our website or call 02380 987134 .



## David's Dingbat's!

Can you solve David's dingbat puzzles? Say what you see!

- Must get here  
Must get here  
Must get here
- va ders
- Down  
Down ←
- T M  
A U  
H S  
W T

Find answers at the end of the newsletter.



## Joe's Trivia and Jokes

Joe loves finding facts and learning about new things – especially music!

### Trivia

- The Foo Fighters front man was also the drummer in Nirvana.
- The members of Deep Purple moved into White snake and Rainbow.
- Superstar band Queen was originally called Smile.

### Jokes (find answers at the end of the newsletter)

1. What concert costs 45 cents?
2. What is Beethoven doing now?
3. My girlfriend left me because of my obsession with Linkin Park...

Dingbat Answers:  
1. The 3 Musketeers  
2. Space Invaders  
3. What goes up must come down  
4. Down Under  
Joke Answers:  
1. 50 Cent featuring Nickelback!  
2. De-composing!  
3. But in the end, it didn't even matter!