

# East Kent Mencap Christmas 2011 Update Letter

East Kent Mencap would like to wish all of their Members, Supporters, Volunteers and Staff a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## Coming up...

### East Kent Mencap Swale Christmas Show - Grease:

The Swale Christmas show will be performed on 13th December at Blue Town Heritage Centre, 69 High Street, Isle of Sheppey ME12 1RW. People are asked to arrive at 11am, tickets are £3 which will include a light buffet lunch. Tickets can be purchased from staff at De Lacey Hall on a Tuesday or a Thursday.

### East Kent Mencap Pantomime - Aladdin:

Aladdin will be performed on 15th December at Bugsy's Tenpin Bowling, Ethelbert Crescent, Cliftonville, CT9 2DY. The show will start at 11am and there will be a party afterwards for those who wish to attend. An order form for the pantomime has been sent with this letter but for more order forms please visit the website:

[www.eastkentmencap.co.uk](http://www.eastkentmencap.co.uk)

### Photography Exhibition

The East Kent Mencap Photography Group are currently holding an exhibition of their work at Cliftonville Library, Queen Elizabeth Avenue, CT9 3JX. The exhibition will run until 25th November. Opening times: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-6pm, Saturday 10am-2pm, closed Wednesday.

A second exhibition will be running from 19th December at St Peter's Church Hall, Hopeville Avenue, Broadstairs. Details are

yet to be finalised so please check the website for further information about opening times.

### Carol singing!

East Kent Mencap will be carol singing on Wednesday 7th December at Westwood Cross from 1.30-2.30pm. All are welcome to join in!



## Buy Now!

### Christmas Cards:

You can purchase charity Christmas cards from East Kent Mencap offices. There is a selection of 20 festive designs for you to choose from priced £1.50 per pack of 10. Contact Jane or Maddi to make an order on: 01843 224482



Registered Charity Number: 220798

## Support East Kent Mencap with your weekly shop!

Waitrose Community Matters is a scheme where each branch of Waitrose has £1,000 every month to share between three local charities. The Ramsgate branch of Waitrose has chosen East Kent Mencap to be one of those chosen charities this month! You can help! A token is given to customers after a transaction and they can choose which local organisation they wish to support by placing their token in the box for the relevant cause. Throughout November East Kent Mencap are asking everyone who shops in Waitrose to choose East Kent Mencap as their cause!

## Do you shop online for your Christmas Presents?

Yes? Then you can help raise money for East Kent Mencap without it costing you a penny! Certain retailers will give a percentage of the profits that they make on your purchases to your chosen charity this Christmas - all you have to do is register for Give As You Live and choose East Kent Mencap as your charity! Visit this website to read all about it: [www.giveasyoulive.com](http://www.giveasyoulive.com)

**Text EKME00 £10 to the number 70070 to make a quick donation to East Kent Mencap**

## Abseil!

Some brave members of staff at East Kent Mencap are taking part in a sponsored abseil on the 20th November! 70% of the money raised will go to East Kent Mencap! If you want to sponsor the abseiling group then an easy way to do so is to visit [www.justgiving.com/Della-Heaton](http://www.justgiving.com/Della-Heaton) and donate online there. Good luck to the brave abseilers!

## CHRISTMAS APPEAL!

East Kent Mencap are making plans to celebrate Christmas with our members at our clubs and activities and we really need your help. Some members live on their own and don't have family or friends to share Christmas with. Some don't even get any presents. So we want to make this Christmas really special with parties, games and presents, especially for those who may otherwise feel left out. We rely solely on donations of goods and money to do this so please give what you can - either a small gift (toiletries, stationery or consumables) or a donation. Gifts can be left at reception or posted to New Gateway House. You can also donate online at the website. Your gift can help make someone's Christmas special. Thank you.

## East Kent Mencap

East Kent Mencap support people with learning disabilities in East Kent to live full and valued lives with the same chances, opportunities and responsibilities as everyone else.

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