

Supporting disabled children and families through play

Founded in 1986, The Yard exists to create safe, inclusive play spaces where disabled children, young people, and their families can thrive. We provide adventure play, respite, and family support at our centres in Edinburgh, Dundee, and Fife, with a new Glasgow centre opening in 2025.

The Yard supports families from birth to adulthood

Our services evolve with the needs of children and young people, ensuring they receive the right support at the right time. Our early years sessions, school services, friendship clubs, holiday provision, and respite care help families navigate each stage of their journey with confidence.

The Yard removes barriers to play and connection

Many disabled children face long waits for diagnosis and support, limited access to suitable play and childcare, and feelings of isolation. We offer a warm, welcoming environment where families find community, guidance, and friendship—no formal diagnosis required.

The Yard provides vital support for families

We work closely with parents, caregivers, and professionals to ensure whole-family wellbeing. Whether it's emotional support, practical advice, or simply a space to relax and connect, our services are designed to help families build resilience and thrive together.

The Yard works in partnership to drive change

We collaborate with schools, healthcare professionals, local authorities, and third-sector organisations to improve opportunities for disabled children and influence positive change in Scotland.

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