



**Stewarts**

*Per Tenebras Ad Lucem*

# Family Support

**We are currently recruiting permanent part-time staff in the area of Family Support**

**(5—20 Hrs Per Week)**

Within the Family Support Programme there is a philosophy of care which is to provide strategic support to families for evenings out, after school care and Saturday Club, in line with our mission statement.

The three guiding principles which form the core of the philosophy of care of Family Support Services can be surmised as such:

- Individualized services delivery driven by the unique strengths, needs, potential and expectations of each service user and their family.
- Effective and accountable services that is evidence-based and which seeks significant and practical treatment and recreational gains in the lives of the individuals with intellectual disabilities.
- Positive approaches that emphasize skill building, relationships development, and recognition that all individuals can grow and change to succeed in life.

Family Support aims to promote strategic interventions for high-dependency service users and their families at evening times, after school services and on Saturdays. Access to Family Support Services are organised via referral through our multi-disciplinary team and are prioritised using a priority rating system based on risk.

The activities within family support are predominantly group activities run on a one-to-one basis. Saturday Club is a weekly event for both children and adults in which they are encouraged to socialise through and participate in a variety of leisure activities. Adults have an opportunity to socialise with peers and broaden their experiences on evenings out, whether to the cinema, for a game of snooker or for a meal. Summer camps are also run through July and August, incorporating leisure activities for both children and adults.