

# CONNECTING YOU TO PLAY: JOOAY

## Jooay App Monthly Newsletter

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### ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Jooay newsletter! Jooay is a free mobile and web app (<https://jooay.com/>) that helps children with disabilities and their families locate leisure opportunities that are close to where they live; accessible and inclusive; suit their needs and abilities; match their preferences; and can help them develop and participate in society.

Stay tuned for monthly updates on adapted leisure events and opportunities, as well as updates related to the Jooay App and our community. Let's help children get more involved in leisure together!

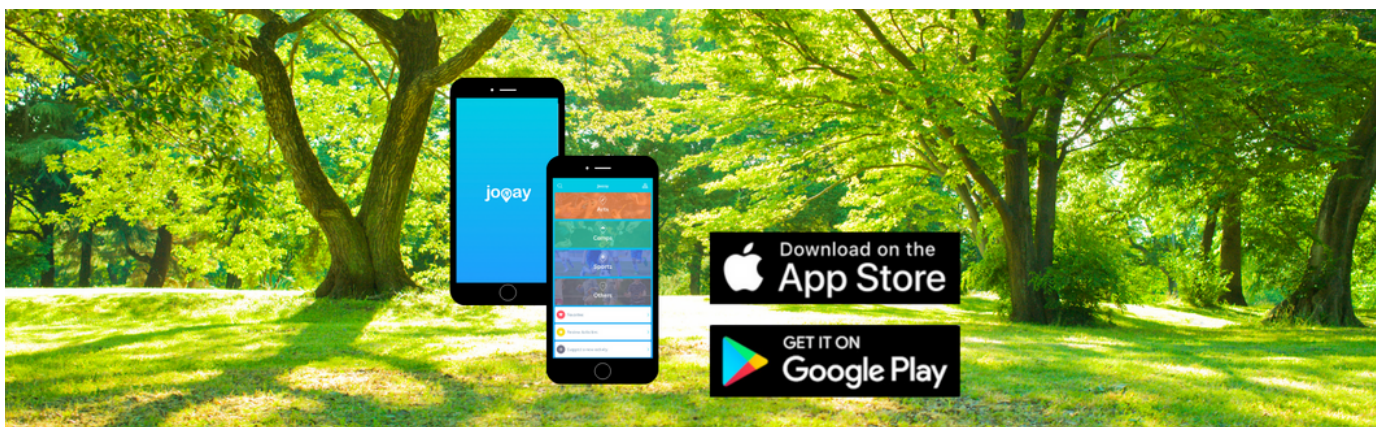
### ACTIVITIES

#### 1. Easter Seals BC

Easter Seals is dedicated to providing programs and services to persons with diverse abilities that help build their self-esteem and self-confidence. They host a variety of online activities such as Youth Fun & Fitness and the Kids Social Club!

Register here:

Easter Seals



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## 2. CP Kids and Families

CP Kids and Families is a family-focused community leader that provides support, resources, and opportunities to children and families living with physical disabilities, including cerebral palsy. Join their online social programs for all different ages and abilities. They host online Bingo Night, Karaoke, Dance Party, Music Party and Movie Nights all throughout the month of January!



**Register here:**

**[CP Kids and Families](#)**

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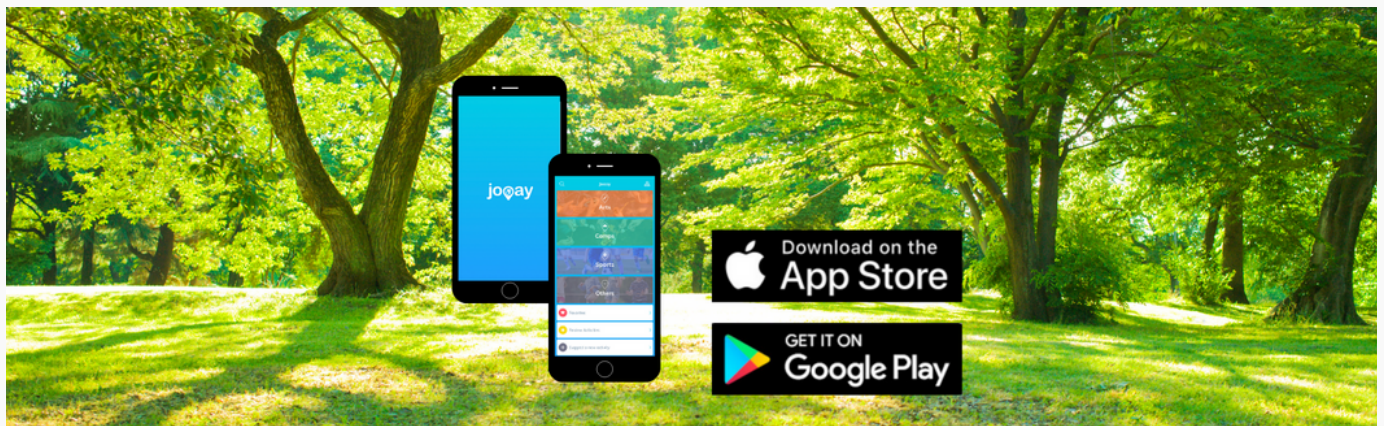
## 3. ET Music Therapy

ET Music Therapy hosts many activities such as online music therapy and adapted music lessons for kids with autism and diverse needs. They can deliver to your house an assortment of instruments that can be used in the online music therapy sessions.



**Register here:**

**[ET Music Therapy](#)**





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## 4. Storyline Online

Reading aloud to children has been shown to improve reading, writing and communication skills and much more! Storyline Online is available 24 hours a day for children, parents, caregivers and educators worldwide. This organization streams videos featuring celebrated actors reading children's books alongside creatively produced illustrations.



**Check here:**

**[Storyline Online](#)**

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## 5. Help Kidz Learn

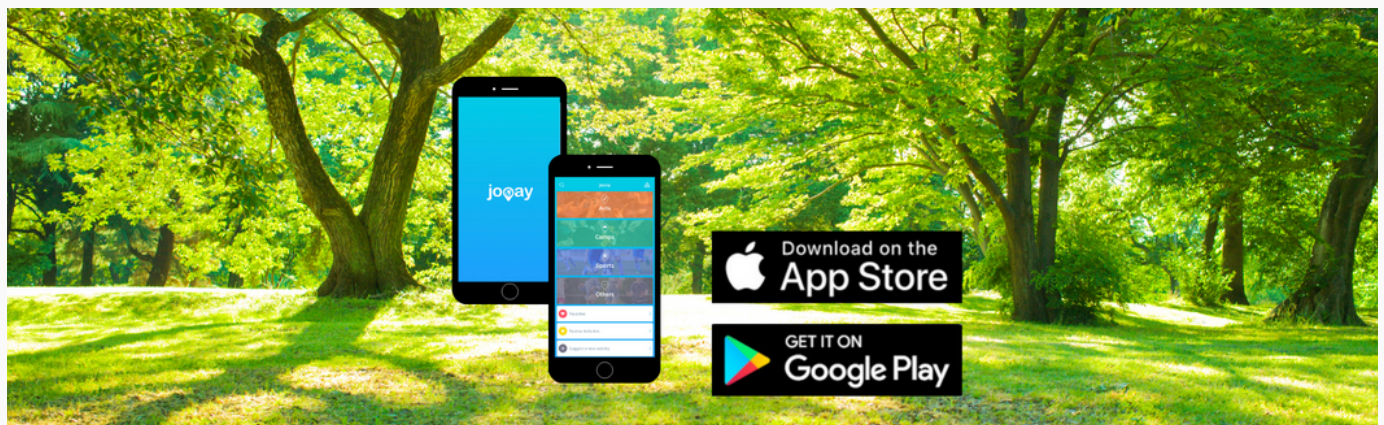
HelpKidzLearn is a collection of software for young children and those with learning difficulties to play online. They host over 200 accessible learning activities which cater for a wide range of users with severe and complex needs, learning disabilities and are accessible by mouse and keyboard, one or two switches, touch and eye gaze.



**Register here:**

**[Help Kidz Learn](#)**

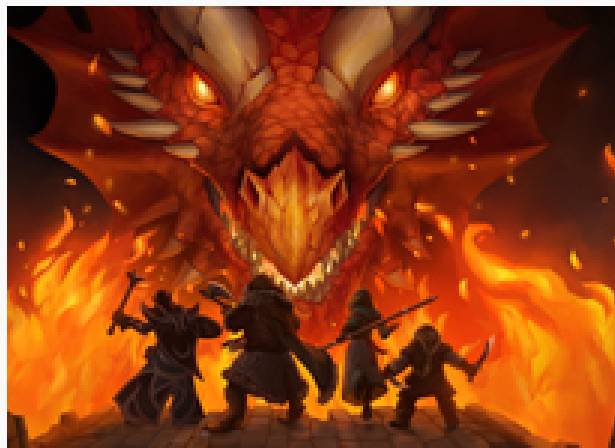
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## 6. Pivot Point Family Growth Centre

Pivot Point provides services to children and adults with diverse abilities, as well as services to their family members. Pivot Point offers both online and in-person group activities such as Dungeons and Dragons, Minecraft Club, Relationship Development skills programs.



**Register here:**  
**Pivot Point**

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## 7. CP Alberta Online Programs

Cerebral Palsy Alberta offers programs to people with cerebral palsy and other disabilities that provide essential social interaction and healthy activities in nurturing environments. They feature classes for Music, Art, Zumba, ComputAbilities, Parent Support Groups, and Social Meetup Groups!



**Check here:**  
**CP Alberta**





# JOOAY APP UPDATES

**BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD OUR UPGRADED IOS  
VERSION OF THE JOOAY APP!**

**FIND IT TODAY ON THE APP STORE & DISCOVER OUR  
NEW FEATURES.**

**BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE 'ONLINE' ACTIVITIES  
TAB!**



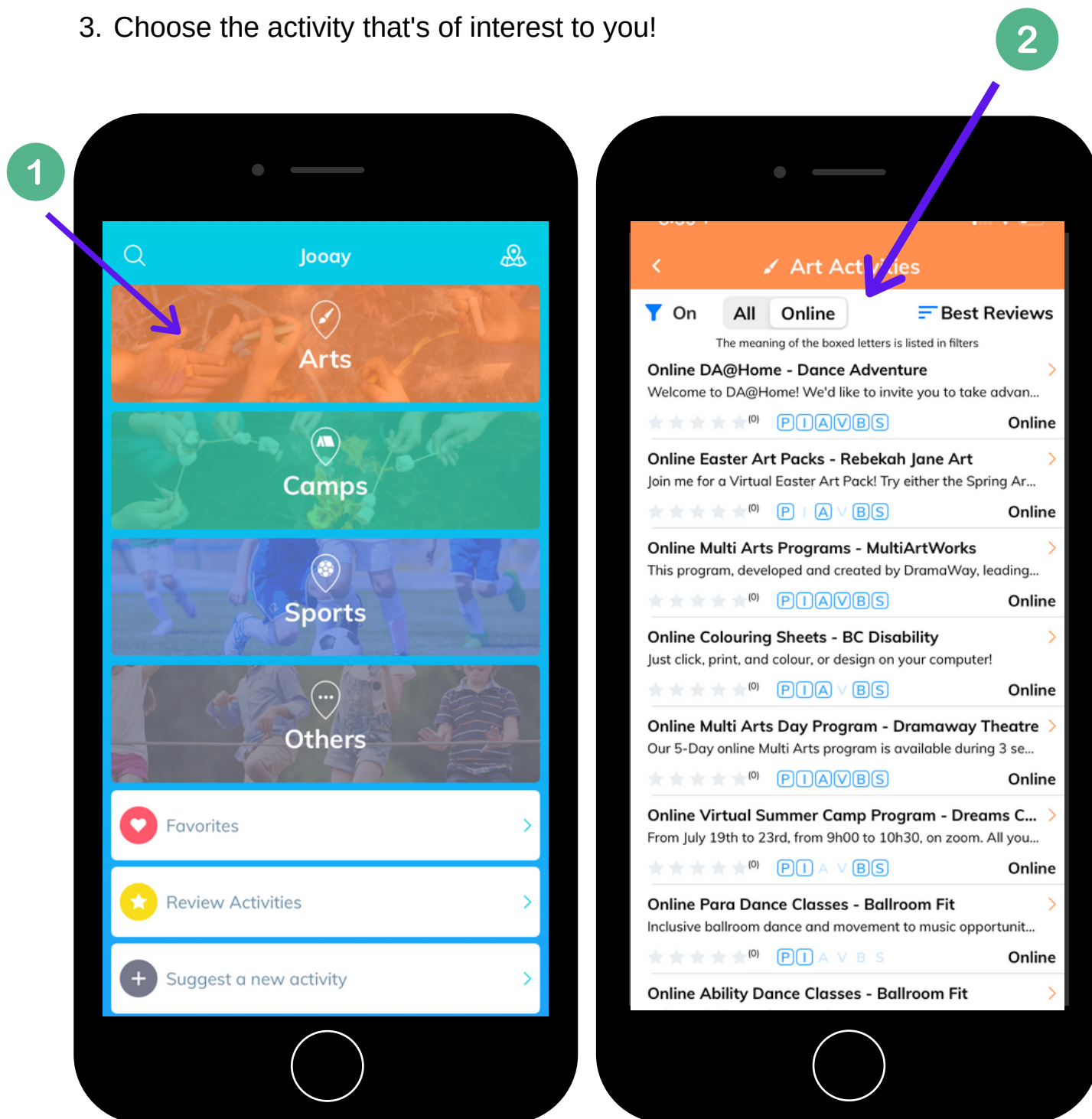
# LAUNCHING AN UPGRADED iOS VERSION OF THE JOOAY APP

## HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THE JOOAY APP?

### Tip #1: SEARCHING FOR ONLINE ACTIVITIES

When viewing an activity in the Jooay app ...

1. Select an option among the activity' categories
2. Select the 'Online' Tab to have access to virtual activities
3. Choose the activity that's of interest to you!



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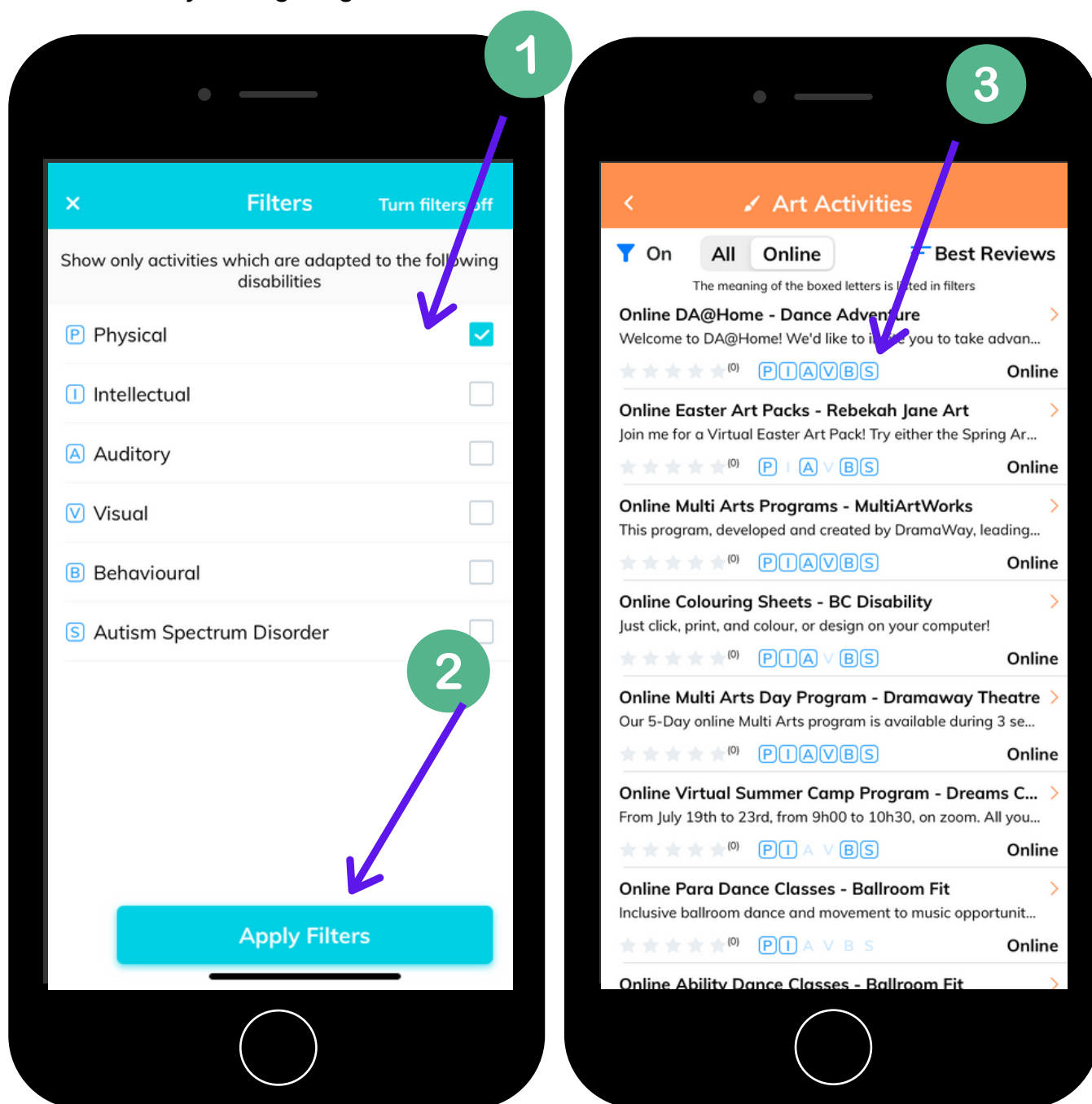
#### Tip #2: SEARCHING FOR THE TYPE OF SPECIAL NEED

When viewing an activity in the Jooay app ...

1. Select the filter of your choice
2. Click on "Apply Filters"

OR

3. When viewing activities, see the Letters which indicate the type of disability the activity is targeting





## World Braille Day Awareness!

In case you missed it!

January 4th marks World Braille Day

What is Braille?

"Braille is a tactile representation of alphabetic and numerical symbols using six dots to represent each letter and number, and even musical, mathematical and scientific symbols". Read more [here](#).

"World Braille Day is a reminder of the importance of accessibility and independence for those who are blind or visually-impaired. World Braille Day spreads awareness about braille and other accessible forms of communication. Everyone deserves (and is legally entitled to) the same accommodations and service, regardless of ability. On World Braille Day, let's remember that and do our part to make our workplaces more accessible for everyone." Read more [here](#).

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**If you have any suggestions for our newsletter please let us know!**

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