

Proud 2 b Parents is an organisation for LGBT parents to be, LGBT parents and their children. We cover Greater Manchester, but if you are willing to travel we are happy to welcome you to our services.

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Run by and for LGBT+ parents/carers, their children and those considering parenthood living in Greater Manchester.



PRIDE TOP TIPS FOR PARENTS .

Written by parents for parents

Walking in Manchester Pride Parade with children - Top Tips

- Bring plenty of water and snacks, as you will be waiting around for the parade to start
- Wear comfy clothes and shoes. Bring bikes or scooters for the children to make it easier for them.
- Being in the parade makes you feel part of the community, and visibly shows your children what over 50,000 people feel about them, and their family. It can be sensory overload with noise, colour and crowds of faces, talk to your children about what they might see or feel in this unique experience.
- Make a morning of it, see the floats and other entries before they leave, and visit The science and industry museum which is just around the corner to waiting area.
- Each entry filters into the parade, be in your position at least 30 minutes before it starts, and follow your group.
- When you are in the parade, its great fun, lots of waving and cheering. So smile, wave and get your children interacting with the crowds.
- There is an area where homophobic protestors are, this is usually on Peter Street near Albert Schloss, they often have placards but are quite.

Manchester Pride Family Zone - Top Tips

- Bring plenty of water and snacks, getting to the food vendures is difficult and not always what your children are use to.
- The activities are great, and its definitely worth coming in to the village for, buy your tickets early to get the family pass
- Best entries into the village, which make it easier to get to the family zone, are on Sackville street, coming from Whitworth street or Sackville street from Portland street, the earlier you can get in the easier it is to navigate the village.
- The family zone activities are free and run up to around 6pm, when the watershed of entertainment on the stage changes, but you are more than welcome to stay in the space longer.
- Toilets are porter loo style, but Richmond Tearooms has opened up across the road from Sackville gardens, which will have baby changing facilities
- There is a queuing system to get into sackville gardens, if you have children with you , you can ask the stewards on the gate if you can go straight in.

Our Families say

“the atmosphere and the sheer volume of people supporting us and being able to walk in the parade as a family is truly amazing!!!”

"being a part of the whole atmosphere, it was electric, and an amazing party atmosphere. It was great to represent P2BP's and show whoever was watching how amazing and proud us LGBT+ families are, that we exist, and there's so many of us"

"It did seem a bit crazy to have to buy a wristband just to experience the family zone, but it was worth it to be part of things"

"We really enjoyed the family area, it was really nice to be in the village but have a relatively safe space for the kid. We loved the face painting and the arts and crafts"

"the security were great. They let us just come straight in without queuing as we had the buggy. Small things make a big difference. Oh and he also let me go out for food for the wee man (and daddies) and come straight back in without the queue."