

Stay Connected Locality Newsletter

July 2022



This newsletter focuses on the work of partner agencies, the voluntary sector and social enterprises which support children, young people, and families.

Summer Activities Special

This newsletter will include lots of exciting activities and events happening across the county during the school summer break.

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Countywide



Holiday Activity and Food programme

HAF is funded holiday activities and food for 5-16 year olds who are entitled to benefit related free school meals. A wide variety of activities will be available throughout the county.

All the codes have been sent out to schools and the website is now live and taking bookings.

Information and to book sessions please visit [We're back in the Summer! Northamptonshire Holiday Activity & Food Programme 2022 | Northamptonshire Sport \(holidayactivities.org\)](https://www.holidayactivities.org/)

Libraries – Summer Reading Challenge

The summer reading challenge from The Reading Agency is exploring all things science & innovation this year in partnership with Science Museum group more details can be found by visiting [#SummerReadingChallenge](https://www.summerreadingchallenge.org/)

Children can join in a library or online from 9th July.

Get ready for **Gadgeteers**, arriving online and in your **local library** this summer.

Science is all around you! What do you love doing? Are you a brilliant baker? Or a mega music fan? Are you the tech wizard amongst your friends? Join the Gadgeteers for the Summer Reading Challenge to **discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around you**, including some of your favourite things!

Curious? Perfect! Your imagination can unlock endless possibilities... We're teaming up with **Science Museum Group** for a very special science-themed Challenge that will inspire you to use your imagination and creativity!

Gadgeteers will feature amazing books, awesome rewards, and plenty of ideas for cool experiments and activities to discover the science all around you. The Challenge will be brought to life by top children's writer and illustrator Julian Beresford.

Are you excited to join the #Gadgeteers this summer? For all the latest Summer Reading Challenge news please keep an eye on our blog by visiting [Summer Reading Blog](https://www.summerreadingchallenge.org/blog/)

For more information please visit [Summer reading challenge](https://www.summerreadingchallenge.org/)

Family Learning Summer Activities and Fun

Cookery for Families sessions

Learn to bake and have some fun as a family from the comfort of your own home

Tuesday 2nd August – Picnic Food For Families

Tuesday 9th August – Healthy Snacks for Families

Tuesday 16th August – Picnic Food for Families

Thursday 18th August – Cookies

Tuesday 23rd August - Healthy Snacks for Families

Join our fun online workshops and use simple cooking skills to make tasty and healthy snacks. This session is most suitable for children up to 11 years and their families. Older children are welcome to join.

Sign up for any of these free courses by visiting [Northamptonshire Adult Learning Course List](#) You will be sent an e-voucher to buy the ingredients from a local Tesco.

Please look at all the other programmes we are offering from September and feel free to sign up to as many as you want.



Let's Fish! Canal and River Trust Free Taster Angling Sessions

Want to try fishing? We'll get you catching in no time. Fishing is a great way to relax and spend time outdoors with your family. Whether you've never fished before or you want to get back into it, find out more about our award-winning, free Let's Fish! Events.

These are one hour sessions and they are suitable for adults and children aged six or over, although at the discretion of the coach slightly younger children may be able to share a slot with an older person.

When we are not fully booked, we will allow walk-in participants on the same basis.

To find out more about these sessions please visit [Let's Fish! | Getting people into fishing | Canal & River Trust \(canalrivertrust.org.uk\)](#)

To book onto events which are happening in Ringstead, Wellingborough and several locations in Northampton please visit [Find a free fishing event | Let's Fish! | Canal & River Trust \(canalrivertrust.org.uk\)](#) and book via the Eventbrite link which is different for each session.



Strong Start – whole programme of summer activities for under 5s

A programme of 1-hour weekly sessions for parents with children under 5 to promote school readiness for pre-school and school.

Outdoor Pre-School Learners

Each week parents and children will have the opportunity to take part in a range of activities exploring school readiness skills in a local green space.

Pre-school Learners

Each session children can take part in a craft activity, use resources, and play games linked to their learning. The programme will include a variety of activity ideas to help your child develop the key skills they will need to start pre-school and school

For more information and to book please visit [Strong Start Team Events | Eventbrite](#)

You can also follow us on social media platforms for updates and information.

@StrongStartTeam Strongstartteam4 @StrongStart1

South Northants and Daventry



Daventry Town Council – summer activities programme for families

The Town Council have organized a whole programme of activities over the summer holidays. We want to make Summer 2022 one to remember with an exciting schedule of activities to get all the family involved.

Activities are all **Free** to attend and mostly aimed at toddler through to teens, but there's something for the adults too! Just book a free place for each session via Eventbrite, details of which can be found on the Town Council webpage and on social media.

There will be a super fun workshop or coaching session to suit everyone, all taking place in easy to reach, town centre locations.

Make some memories and enjoy the town's many green spaces at our forest school & bushcraft sessions. Have fun and get active with our town centre skateboarding, scooter, balance, and circus skills coaching.

Learn to drum and draw calligraphy for mindfulness and meditation. Enjoy some theatrical antics and a day at Daventry town market with street theatre and performances near the Burton Memorial.

All activities must be booked, find all the details by visiting [Summer Activities! | Daventry Town Council](#)



West Northants Council – Sport and Games sessions

These will be multi-sports sessions led by our Sports Activator, come along, and join in the fun.

Monday 25th July 1st, 8th, 15 & 22nd August 12.00 – 2.00 Kings Sutton Recreation Ground

Tuesday 26th July, 2nd & 23rd August 12.00 – 2.00 Boddington Village Hall and Grounds (inside if wet)

Wednesday 27th July and 24th August 12.00- 2.00 Hartwell

Wednesday 27 July, 10th & 17th August 4.00-5.00 Towcester Leisure Centre – Wild Cats Girls Football (5 - 11 yrs.)

Wednesday 17th and 24th August 12.00-2.00 Towcester Water Meadows

All events will be promoted on the West Northants social media channels. These can be found by visiting [West Northamptonshire Council \(@WestNorthants\) / Twitter](#), [West Northamptonshire Council | Facebook](#), [West Northamptonshire Council \(@westnorthants\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)



NORTHAMPTON TOWN FC

COMMUNITY

NTFC Community Trust HAF holiday club

Parker Academy, Daventry 1st – 6th August 9.30-3.30pm

This will be a week packed full of fun activities – there will be physical fun activities indoor and outside, craft, wellbeing, team building.

All free for children eligible for free school meals. Families are encouraged to sign up for the whole week of fun.

Any questions contact Jamie.Worrall@ntfc.co.uk

Children's Buzzy Bee Activities – Daventry Saturday 16th July 12pm - 3pm

Join Daventry Town Council and Rivendell Bees Honey Co for a **Free** children's crafts & activities session to mark Bees Needs Week 2022

Buzzy Bee Activities, make a Bee Home, Cone and Stone to take home!

New Street Park - head to the Reflection Garden, situated in far corner towards London Rd.

Free and open to all

Find full event information by visiting [Children's Buzzy Bee Activities for 'Bees Needs Week 2022' | Facebook](#)

Towcester Leisure Centre – 30th Birthday celebration

Sunday 24th July 10.00 am - 4.00pm

Come and join us to celebrate our 30th Birthday – lots happening all day long. There will be a mix of paid for and free activities.

- Bouncy castle & soft play
- Outdoor football sessions
- Games and activities
- Bar and food stalls
- Face painting
- Disco



Brackley – SNYE led sessions

5th August and 19th August - Youth Club Afternoon Session 4-9pm 11-15yrs at Brackley Leisure Centre

A fun filled session with a variety of activities to suit all. The session will include a range of set activities and games as well as free time all whilst spending time with friends and making new ones!

10th & 11th August, 15th & 16th August and 23rd & 24th August 10 – 3pm SNYE Multi Arts Sessions 7-10yrs at Southfield School

These sessions give participants the opportunity to engage in several artistic activities both as individuals and as a group!

Learn new skills and develop existing ones whilst taking part in different art forms such as art and crafts, painting, drawing, graffiti, clay, drama, dance, cooking, t-shirt design and loads more!

To book contact sophiebennett@youth-engagement.co.uk



Brackley Play and Activity Day

Wednesday 3rd August 2022 - 11am to 3pm

We are very excited to announce that South Northants Youth Engagement & Brackley Youth Engagement and the Oxfordshire Play Association will be bringing to the town... Brackley Play & Activity Day 2022 which will take place on Wednesday 3rd August 2022 - 11am to 3pm in Brackley Park.

It's completely free and there will be a whole range of free activities for all the family and for all ages such as:

DIY Face Painting, Smoothie Bike, Junk Modelling with Art Avalanche, Go Kart Party, Fire Play, Rodeo Bull, Giant Bubbles, Drumming, Body Zorbing, Muddy Feet Nature Play, Bright Sparks Science, Earth Trust, Climbing Wall and More!

Please visit [SNYE | Facebook](#) for full details

Brackley, Towcester and Daventry Libraries – summer activities

These libraries will be busy places this summer – keep an eye on their Facebook pages or the library webpages as they will be running two events for families every week.

For more information, please visit [What's on? \(tockify.com\)](https://www.tockify.com)



Tove Valley Centre – Breakfast club

Breakfast Club will be running on Tuesday 2nd – Thursday 4th August, and Tuesday 16th – Thursday 19th August, with stay-and-play Tots session 8.30am to 10.30am.

Sports and crafts for older siblings. No need to book, just come along for **Free**

A Healthy Breakfast and activities will be available. Volunteers will be available to provide adults with a tea or coffee and to offer support.



Tove Valley Heros - Holiday Club

Tuesday 9th – Thursday 11th August, 10am – 2pm

The holiday club will be based on the theme of Heroes and will have some Biblical content, lots of fun and activities. Cost £20 per child for the three days. This is for children aged 7 – 12 yrs.

Contact Mel Whitlock youth@tvbf.co.uk to book.

Deanshanger Play and Activity Day

Tuesday 9th August 2022 – 11am to 3pm

Oxford Play Association with SNYE will be running a fantastic play and activity day at Deanshanger Sports Club, Little London, Deanshanger.

DIY Face Painting, Smoothie Bike, Junk Modelling, Go Kart Party, Giant Bubbles, Drumming, Body Zorbing, Bright Sparks Science – lots of fun for everyone. The whole event is free.

For full details please visit [Deanshanger Play & Activity Day | Facebook](#)

Daventry Community Fun Day

Wednesday 10th August 2022 – 10am - 2pm

Come along to DSLV school grounds for a whole lot of free fun. There will be a big range of Emergency Services vehicles present, lots of community organisations, ice cream and refreshments. The whole day is free and lots of fun.

Check the Daventry Town Council social media accounts for details closer to the event. [Daventry Town Council | Facebook](#); [Instagram Daventry Town Council](#) [Twitter Daventry TC](#)

Deanshanger Pride

Saturday 13th August, 2.00 - 6.00pm at Deanshanger Sports Club Playing Field

Celebrating equality, diversity, and inclusion. Free family event.

Lowdown charity, Q Space & LGBTQ+ history exhibition, rides, Rural Information bus, Northants Rights and Equalities Council, Face painting, Henna tattoos, Bouncy castle, Outlaw LGBTQ+ Rugby team, Northants Fire and Rescue, local stall holders, Longrow Hog roast and more.

For full details please visit [Deanshanger Pride 2022 | Facebook](#)

Enjoy story-time and crafts at The Reading Tree, Weedon

Suitable for children up to the age of 5 years. Storytime 10.30 - 11am every Wednesday and Friday

Followed by **Free** arts and crafts until 1pm

Story-time and the crafts are completely Free, but we are also offering a mini deal of children's book, squash, and biscuits for only £3 (valid Wednesdays and Fridays 10.30 - 1pm)

Where: The Reading Tree, Building 1, The Depot, Weedon, NN7 4PS

Time Capsule Competition Event! Micklewell Park, Daventry

Come join us to be a part of Daventry's history

You're invited to join Orbit Homes, Daventry Town Council and Daventry Museum to celebrate life in Daventry and what the future Daventry may look like 100 years from now.

Arrive for 11am start -14:00pm (time capsule competition presentation 11:30am)

Where: Micklewell Park, Ashby Road, Daventry, Northamptonshire, NN11 8JZ

When: Saturday 6 August 2022

A display of competition entries will be held on the same day at Daventry Museum 10am-4pm, free entry.



Free Holiday Sessions in Kingsthorpe, Far Cotton, Harlestone Firs, Hartwell, Litchborough, Spratton and Kilsby

For young people who qualify for free school meals.

Over the summer holidays 10am-2pm for young people who receive free school meals aged 10-16

Join our youth work team to engage in a range of physical activities and a nutritious meal.

Activities include archery, ball games, dance and many more.

Email sarah@cypn.org if you've any questions - please book using the link.

Those who do not receive FSM and are current members of the Youth Inspired youth clubs please contact Sarah or Liam - liam@cypn.org for alternative booking information.

For full details please visit [Holiday Activities](#)

Kings Sutton Play and Activity day – Saturday 27th August

Oxford Play Association with SNYE will be running a fantastic play and activity day at Kings Sutton Millennium Recreation Ground, Astrop Road, Kings Sutton OX17 3PG.

DIY Face Painting, Smoothie Bike, Junk Modelling, Go Kart Party, Giant Bubbles, Drumming, Body Zorbing, Bright Sparks Science – lots of fun for everyone. The whole event is free.

For full details please visit [SNYE | Facebook](#) closer to the date.

BRACKLEY YOUTH THEATRE

Brackley Youth Theatre – Summer Musical Workshop – Pay What You Can

Thanks to some funding from Brackley Town Council Brackley Youth Theatre are able to offer a 4 day summer Musical Workshop on a 'Pay What You Can' basis. Jo

in them to produce a performance based on The Cat in the Hat. Monday 24th July – Thursday 28th July Egerton Hall 9.30-4pm suitable for 7-15yrs To Book please visit [Summer Creative Week - SEUSSICAL the MUSICAL! \(6 - 17yrs\) at Egerton Hall, Brackley | Brackley Youth Theatre | Powered by ClassForKids \(class4kids.co.uk\)](#)

Towcester Repair café

At snvb we are interested in setting up a Repair Café here in Towcester. The concept originated in Holland in response to the throwaway society we live in and is about repairing what we can, rather than throwing things away and buying new.

Right now, everything seems to be costing more and more and we thought it might be a good time to think about saving those pennies where we can.

The idea would be to repair small electrical items such as laptops or coffee machines, small furniture, and clothes. To do this, we would be looking for volunteers with some spare time and the skills to help people repair the items they bring in.

We have a couple of possible venues in mind, the offer of support and some ideas about where we might apply for funding.... but what we REALLY need to know is if there are folk in Towcester and the surrounding areas who would be interested in getting involved in a repair café as either a volunteer or member.

If you are interested or would like more information about what might be involved, please drop me a line jeanette@snvb.org.uk and let me know how you'd like to get involved.

Northampton

Bands in the Park

Every Sunday, from the 3rd April until the 11th of September 2pm-5pm, local musicians will be gracing the Bandstand at Abington Park. Please visit [Bands in the Park | Northampton Town Council](#) for the calendar of scheduled events.

Briar Hill Community Centre

Activity days for Primary and Secondary school pupils, every Monday at Briar Hill Community Centre, The Springs Walk, Northampton, NN4 8SX. Further details to follow, please visit [What's on At Your Local Community Centre | Community Spaces Northampton \(communityspacesnn.org\)](#) for up to date information



Delapre Abbey Summer Activities

Dinosaurs in the Park

This takes you to a land of prehistoric times when you will come face to face with huge, moving, roaring dinosaurs. From Thursday 21st July – Sunday 7th August.

Also available in the Dino-fun zone, Dino bouncy castle. Dinosaur bone excavations, watch baby dinosaurs hatch, cuddle Rexy our friendly mascot, food court also available. For further information and to book tickets visit [Events in Northampton | Local Events Near Me | Day Out \(delapreabbey.org\)](#)

Free Activities

Summer Holiday Fun Thursday 28th July to Thursday 1st September, take part in free activities including a medieval themed knight's trail, battle archaeology and see history come to life inside the Abbey, under 18s go free! Visit the website above to book.

Funtopia

Funtopia takes over the grounds of the Abbey on the 13th and 14th of August 11am – 5pm with a fun-filled event featuring bouncy castles, an obstacle course, inflatable slide, bungee run, giant games, space hopper races and more – all included in the price of your wrist band! Designed for visitors up to the age of 10 (with an area especially for the under 5's) the grown ups are encouraged to join in the fun and enjoy a family day out. A food court will be open and there will be a range of artisan and trade stalls. There will also be live entertainment from local performers. £10 for children over 90cm, £2.50 for adults, under 90cm go free. No need to book just turn up on the day.

For further information for any of the events at Delapre and to book tickets please visit [Events in Northampton | Local Events Near Me | Day Out \(delapreabbey.org\)](#)



Doddridge Centre

Drop in session - We need your ideas on a new youth club Monday 1st August 10-12 noon

We are looking to start a youth club in St James for children and young people aged between 8 and 15 years.

The purpose of the Drop in Information morning is so we can hear what you want, when you want it. If you would like to get involved with the set up and running of the youth club, please come along and have a chat with us. Activities will include Jenga, giant connect4, circus skills, dominoes, archery, and craft.

Summer Fayre 16th July 1.00 - 4.00pm

Face painting, Hoopla, tombola, games, stalls, cakes, crafts, bouncy castle, and a fire engine! Come along for an afternoon of fun. The Doddridge Centre, St James Road, NN5 5LD.

St James Community Library launch at the Doddridge Centre Saturday 30th July 10am-1pm.

Refreshments and a light lunch will be provided. RSPV to cd@doddridgecentre.org.uk by 23/7/22

Emmanuel Church

Food and activities, In Blackthorn, School, Holidays

Come and join us on Tuesday July 26th, August 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd. 12pm-2pm @ Blackthorn Community Centre. **Free lunch** for all children, snack for adults. Lots of activities for children. Please call 01604 411166 for more information

Children's Gardening and Cooking Club - Kingsthorpe

C2C Social Action is opening its allotment garden for children and their parents/carers during the summer holidays.

Children will have a chance to see how an allotment works, take part in a gardening activity, harvest some vegetables, and cook and eat lunch together.

Dates: Thursdays from 10.30am-1.30pm

Thursday 28th July 2022

Thursday 4th August 2022

Thursday 25th August 2022

Thursday 1st September 2022

Where: C2C's allotment garden in Kingsthorpe, Northampton

To book a place for you and your child, or to find out more information, please contact Sophie Griffiths, Outdoor Learning and Support Worker Mobile: 07885 685781

Email: sophie.griffiths@c2csocialaction.com

These sessions are free of charge. A healthy lunch, drink and snack will be provided. Parents/carers will be expected to supervise their children at all times.



Football holiday fun

The Northampton Town Community Trust have some summer holiday football fun courses taking place.

Week 1: Monday 1st August – Friday 5th August

Week 2: Monday 8th August – Friday 12th August

Week 3: Monday 15th August – Friday 19th August

Week 4: Monday 22nd August – Friday 26th August

£22 per day, £99 for a full week. All courses take place at Goals, Northampton for ages 5-13 between 9am and 3:30pm

Please book online by visiting [Bookings — Northampton Town FC Community Trust](#)

Growing Together

Holiday club for 4-11 years old, and SEN, including arts and crafts, games, days out, every Monday and Thursdays 10am-3pm at Growing Together Blackthorn.

Community events – arts, crafts, games, gardening, drinks, and snacks included, for families and Free! Wednesdays 1pm-3pm, alternating between Blackthorn and Brookside hub. Please contact Nicole on Nicole@growingtogether.org.uk or 07772467251 for further information and to book for either event.

Free2talk Summer Activities

Bellinge

Monday - 2 workshops/structured activities between 4 and 8 pm from the multi sports area and community centre on Monday evenings

Wednesday - music/radio workshop from 1-4 pm (venue TBC)

Friday - 2 trips on Friday 5th and Friday 19th august. These will be limited on numbers and booking required

Activities will be for the 8-11s and 12+ age ranges

Thorplands

On Thursday evenings we will continue to have youth workers available at the cage in Thorplands from 6pm - 8pm, with some structured activities planned. These are open access 8+

Blackthorn

Tuesday - We will be supporting the kicks sports session from 2pm at the multi sports area and then running 2 workshops/structured activities between 4 and 8 pm from the multi sports area and community centre on Tuesday evenings

Wednesday - We will be hosting music/radio workshops every Wednesday from the youth centre 1-4pm and running trips on the alternate Fridays (12th and 26th August) These will be limited on numbers and again for the 8-11s and 12+ age ranges

Kingsheath

Monday – Thursday, We will be open at 'Our living room' from 10.30 until 3 every Mon-Thurs for the 6 weeks, with a range of activities on offer, some will require booking, others will be open access. These will also include music sessions and be open for the 8+ age groups. We will also run 2 trips on 2 of the Tuesdays.

Thursday - On Thursdays we will be delivering our transitions group for the year 6 to 7 students, this will be delivered from 1-3pm and based at the Hut (formally AHOF) in Abington Park. Numbers will be limited

Friday 2nd September We will be hosting a music event, designed, and led by young people

For further information please visit [Free 2 Talk CIC | Facebook](#) or email enquiries@free2talkcic.org

Impact Now

Kids wellbeing summer activities including baking, sewing, crafts, games, dancing and many more. At Towcester Road Methodist Church, Southampton Road, Far Cotton, Northampton, NN4 8DY.

Tuesday – Friday 26th-29th July. 2nd – 5th August, 9th -12th August

For more information, please contact admin@impact-now.org.uk

Kings Heath – National Careers Service drop in sessions

13th and 17th July 1.30- 2.45pm

Come along to the Free2Talk hub for a free careers advice and support.

This is being held at Park Square, Kings Heath, Northampton

Northampton ESCO (Northampton Extended Services Holiday Activities)

Running various activities including arts and crafts, circus skills, games, sports, dancing and many more, in different schools over the summer holidays. School venues include These are for children aged 5-11years and the cost is £15 per day.

Venues include Cedar Road Primary, St David's Sports Hall, Weston Favell Primary school, All Saint CEVA Primary school, Green Oaks Primary and Earls Barton Primary. To book spaces and for full information please visit [Northampton ESCO CIC Holiday Club Bookings](#)

Northampton Museum

Northampton Museum and Art Gallery is back open after a major redevelopment project. Abington museum is also open. Join us this summer for fun, games, and challenges at both museums.

Pick up your summer at the museum' pack and complete as many challenges as you can before the end of the holidays. Complete them all and you will receive a certificate and a prize.

Also, The Tiger that came to Tea workshops, Wind in The Willows show in the museum courtyard and Star Wars exhibition. Visit [What's On \(northamptonmuseums.com\)](http://What's On (northamptonmuseums.com)) for further information.

Pop up Play Village

Our role play sessions and events are suitable for children from babies up to 8 years old. We have 9 role play areas: Construction site, Veterinary Centre, Supermarket, Café, Library, Baby Nursery, Baby sensory corner, Art Studio and Outdoor Explorers, which include clothes for dress up, children's chairs and tables and high quality wooden educational toys to stimulate the imagination of the little people.

Cost is £6.00 for the first child and £4.50 for each sibling, adults go free. The summer dates and locations for our play sessions are as follows:

Hunsbury-Camp Hill Community Center, Dayrell Road, NN4 9RR

Wed 20th July 2022 from 10.15-11.30

Wed 17th August 2022 from 10.15-11.30

Wed 31st August 2022 from 10.15-11.30

Harpole Old School Hall, Old School Ln, NN7 4DR

Sat 16th July 2022 from 11.00-12.15

Sat 30th July 2022 from 11.00-12.15

Sat 20th August 2022 from 10.00-11.15

Sat 27th August 2022 from 10.00-11.15

For more details, please email Eliza at northampton@popupplayvillage.co.uk or Tel. & WhatsApp 07401871919. To book please visit Northampton | Pop Up Play Village

Rectory Farm Pocket Park Group

Animals in Mind organised by Rectory Farm Pocket Park Group, Saturday 13th August, 2-4pm at Rectory Farm Community Centre.

Come along and meet the very special animals from 'Animals in Mind'. Meet, and learn all about a range of beautiful animals from guinea pigs to exotics like snakes and lizards, or mini beasts such as Tarantulas.

Free event, children under 8 to be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Rectory Farm Pocket Park, Healey Close, Northampton, NN3 5JU



SEN holiday camps – The Cube Disability Kids

An inclusive holiday camp for children aged 5-16 with a disability and their siblings, at Nether Heyford NN7 3NL. £45 per day, lunch is provided. Transport is available on request from Clarke Road NN1 4PW

1st-5th August

8th-12th August

22nd-26th August

To book please email cubekids@thecubedisability.co.uk

Sport4Fitness CIC Gardening Club

Every Friday from 12pm-1pm at the Avery Pavilion, Fernie Field, Moulton, Northampton, NN3 7BD. Come along and have some fun help our sensory garden grow, grow vegetables and herbs. Fun for the whole family. Adults/carers are free 1 child £2.50, 2 or more children £5.00.

For more information, please visit [Home | Sport4Fitness CIC \(sport4fitness-cic.co.uk\)](http://Home | Sport4Fitness CIC (sport4fitness-cic.co.uk)) email info@sport4fitness-cic.co.uk or telephone 07491 306630



Send4dads

A support groups for Dads who have a child with Special Educational Needs or disability. Dads can attend with their child or on their own. Please check out their website [Support Group for Dads/male carer with a SEND child/adult \(sends4dad.org.uk\)](http://Support Group for Dads/male carer with a SEND child/adult (sends4dad.org.uk)) They have events over the summer

30th July - 1pm, Family BBQ - at Fernie fields sports club, Moulton Park, Northampton

7th August - 1pm, Zorbing - at Fernie fields sports club, Moulton Park, Northampton

8th August- 8pm, Social night at the windmill pub, Northampton

20th August -10:30, Visit to betty's farm (£5 per person)

21st August - 1pm, Nerf gun wars - at Fernie fields sports club, Moulton Park, Northampton

27th August - 9 am, Breakfast at cafe track, Northampton market square

3rd September - 1pm, Bowling at gravity social, sol central, Northampton

Limited spaces on most of the sessions above so please contact us to book by emailing sends4dad@gmail.com



The Trilogy Holiday Playscheme

The Trilogy Holiday Playscheme is delivered at Lings Forum and Duston Sports Centre this summer between 25th July and 31st August.

Individual day or weekly bookings are available for play and sport opportunities for your child aged 5-13 years.

Prices start at £20.40 for one day with a junior membership, for further pricing and dates please visit [Trilogy Holiday Playscheme \(trilogyleisure.co.uk\)](http://trilogyleisure.co.uk)

Community Courtyard LGBTQIA+ Gaminn Club

Do you enjoy gaming? Need a safe place to be you?

Come along and join us at The Yard every Monday 4pm-6pm. We have Xbox, VR Headsets, Pool and Table tennis and much more. Based at 62 Gold Street. Northampton, NN1 1RS

For more information Please visit [Community Court Yard - Youth Work, Street Based Youth Work](#)
Telephone The Yard 01604 639545 or WhatsApp 07720609380 Email theyard@communitycourtyard.org

Open Basketball Tournament – Racecourse 31st July 12.30 - 4.00pm

The 3x3 event is to promote and launch the recently upgraded basketball facilities on The Racecourse. The tarmac courts have been resurfaced and lighting installed. The new surfaces make the courts suitable for wheelchair users and the lighting extends the time the courts can be played on. The tournament is open to the public and takes place on 31st July with different competition levels and is an opportunity to showcase the new facilities.

The three levels are: Adults over 17, Juniors 14-17, Youth 12-14 and encouragement for wheelchair users to participate. If you are interested in the first NN3X3 event, register by visiting [Open Basketball Tournament](#)

For more information, please visit [Basketball Northants CVL | Facebook](#)

Twinfest

28th to 31st July

Twinfest is run by a non-profit organisation that celebrates the friendship between our twin towns of Northampton, Marburg, Germany, and Poitiers, France through a universal love of music.

Since 1995, the partnership continues to forge friendships and new experiences for all those who watch or play either at Northampton's Twinfest, at MaNo Musikfestival in Germany, or at Les Expressifs in Poitiers. As well as giving gig-goers the chance to hear what's happening in their twins' pubs and clubs, it also gives bands the amazing opportunity to live and perform in one of our glorious towns for a few days each year as well.

The event will take place in multiple grass root venues across the town throughout the weekend. Please visit [Twinfest](#) for more information.

Party in the Park

26th to 28th August

Northampton Town Council are proud sponsors of Party in the Park, returning to Abington Park for three days this August Bank Holiday, with amazing tribute acts all weekend.

For more information and a schedule please visit [Party in the Park – Northampton](http://partyintheparknorthampton.co.uk)
(partyintheparknorthampton.co.uk)

Frank Bruno Foundation

Summer camp every Wednesday in the school holidays, for young people aged 10-16 years. Exercise, workshops, games and fun from 10.00am-2.00pm. Free for all including lunch.

To book please contact 01604 434414 or email danielle@thefrankbrunofoundation.co.uk.

For more information please visit [Mental Health Support & Wellbeing from The Frank Bruno Foundation](#)

East Northants

Rushden Commonwealth Challenge

Join the Rushden Commonwealth Challenge and have a go at different sports. All the sessions feature in this year's Commonwealth Games. The more sessions you attend, the bigger the rewards (minimum of four sessions attended to qualify).

Monday 25th July 1.00 – 3.00pm Cricket

Tuesday 26th July 1.00 – 3.00pm Uni-Hoc (indoor Hockey)

Wednesday 27th July 1.00 – 3.00pm Wheelchair Basketball

Friday 29th July 1.00 – 3.00pm Squash and Table Tennis

Monday 1st August 1.00 – 3.00pm Badminton

Tuesday 2nd August 2.00 – 3.00pm Fun Swim at the Splash pool

Wednesday 3rd August 1.00 – 3.00pm 3v3 Basketball

Friday 5th August 1.00 – 3.00pm Netball

All the activities are Free for all abilities children and young people aged 8-13 years old.

Booking is essential please email Jackie.ackroyd@freedom-leisure.co.uk or Wesley.neville@freedom-leisure.co.uk or telephone 07500 861729

Turn Up and Play Sessions

Sport and crafting sessions for 8 to 13 years. From 10am to 12pm for all the sessions

£2.00 per person. To book call 07500 861729.

Mondays 25 July and 1 August: Peace Park, Thrapston, NN14 4JU

Tuesdays 26 July and 2 August: The Playing Fields, Nassington, PE8 6QU

Wednesdays 27 July and 3 August: Hall Park, Rushden, NN10 9NG

Thursdays 28 July and 4 August: The Rec, Saffron Road, Higham Ferrers, NN10 8ED

Fridays 29 July and 5 August: Centra Rec, Scarborough Street, Irthingborough, NN9 5TT

A parent or guardian over the age of 18 must complete a participation form upon arrival.

Xplorer

Xplorer is a family-friendly fun navigation challenge that is educational and gives children a sense of adventure as they explore the park to find the markers.

It involves a healthy mix of physical activity and decision-making that the whole family can enjoy together. At each marker, children need to identify what is pictured and enjoy learning a fun fact to tell their friends.

2pm to 4pm. **£1.00 per child** (but for the whole family to enjoy together)

28 July: Peace Park, Thrapston, NN14 4JU

4 August: Hall Park, Rushden, NN19 9NG

11 August: Central Rec, Scarborough Street, Irthingborough, NN9 5TT

Irthlingborough Talent Pathway Skate Jam

Central Recreation Ground Thursday 4th August 10am-3pm and Crow Hill Skatepark Tuesday 16th August 10am-3pm

With Skateboarding being included in the Olympics - Join us for some coaching in the morning and a chance to showcase your skills at a fun competition with prizes in the afternoon.

Open to all ages and abilities

Sponsored by Irthlingborough Town Council

600th Anniversary Party at Chichele College Higham Ferrers

Saturday 30th July Free Entry from 12.00pm onwards

Come and celebrate the 600th anniversary and the reopening of Chichele College to visitors again. A party with music food and drinks. Located at College Street, Higham Ferrers, Rushden, NN10 8DZ.

Located in the attractive Northamptonshire market town of Higham Ferrers, Chichele College is a rare surviving example of a chantry college. It was founded in 1422 by the locally born Henry Chichele, Archbishop of Canterbury. Such colleges, common in England in the 14th and 15th centuries, were groups of priests who shared a communal life that was less strictly controlled than that of a monastery.

The gardens have been transformed to make it resemble a medieval Cloister Garth and perfect place to relax and rejuvenate.



Rushden Off The Streets Community Day

Saturday 20th August at Hall Park, Rushden 12.00 – 5.00pm in the Walled Garden

A family community event with **Free** entry. Live music, DJ's try a sport/club, bouncy castles, art and crafts, youth clubs and support services.

There is also the opportunity to have ago at axe throwing and archery for 10-16 year olds. This costs £12.50 for each activity but is free when a knife is added to the amnesty bin provided by trade a blade. If a young person take part in either activity, they will also be offered conflict resolution for free.

For more information please contact Off The Streets NN otswellingborough@gmail.com or check out their Facebook page by visiting [Off the Streets NN - Northants community against knife crime | Facebook](#)

Rushden Classic Car and Bike Show

Sunday 7th August at Hall Park, Rushden. 11.00am – 4.00pm Lots of classic cars and bikes, food and drink, trade stands and more, Entry is by donation.

Kiddie Knit and Natter

At the Library Raunds, High Street, Raunds, NN9 6HT. Have your children ever wanted to learn to knit or have started to learn and need some extra guidance. If so, please book at 30min slot with one of our regular Knit and Natter ladies to get them some support. This is **Free**

Tuesday 26th July from 2.00-3.45 pm. Booking is essential. To book please telephone 01933 623747.

What's on in July at Oundle Library

Friday 15th July, 2.30pm – 4.30pm, Crime Fiction Book Group, free, all welcome, bookable.

Saturday 16th July, 10.15am – 11am, Pre-Fringe Activity – Make a Drum/Beat Poetry Session, All ages, free, bookable.

Saturday 16th July, 11am – 1.45pm, Oundle Fringe Festival, all welcome, free drop in.

Saturday 23rd July, 10.30am – 12.30pm, Lego Duplo Challenge, all ages, free drop in.

Tuesday 26th July, 7pm – 9pm, Oundle Makers, All welcome, free drop in.

Weekly Activities at Oundle Library

Monday 10.30am – 11.30am (New Time), Library Baby Play, Under 1s, free, bookable

Tuesday 11am – 11.30am Library Rhymetime, Under 5s, free, bookable

Wednesday 10am – 11am Library Storytime and Craft, Under 5s, free, bookable

Thursday 10.30am – 12pm Scrabble, free, bookable

Thursday 2pm – 3.30pm Library Adults Craft Group (NEW), free, all welcome, bookable

Saturday 11am – 12pm French Language Café, free, bookable

To book your place email us on oundle.libraryplus@northnorthants.gov.uk call us on 0300 126 3000 option 5 option 3 or pop into the library. Or direct message on [Oundle Library | Facebook](#)

Wellingborough

Splash Water Park

Children and families in North Northamptonshire will be able to enjoy the amenities on offer, including water fountains and play equipment. This is **Free** to access and there is free parking. It can be found at The Embankment, Wellingborough, NN8 1LD.

The Park will be open, subject to favourable weather conditions, between 12 noon and 6:30pm on:

Saturday 25 June to Sunday 17 July (weekends only)

Saturday 23 July to Wednesday 31 August (daily)

Saturday 3 September to Sunday 25 September (weekends only)

Please read the signage on site and follow rules to ensure the park can remain open.



Glamis Hall Family Festival Day

On Saturday 23rd July 2022 Glamis Hall are holding their annual Family Festival which is a family fun day for the whole family with lots to do on the day.

The event runs from 10am – 3pm and is free to attend and most of the activities are free as well.

There will be craft stands, plate smashing, hook a duck, baby play area, guess the name of the giraffe, raffle, kids tombola, inflatable slide, penalty shootout, Police van, some information stands from local organisations and groups and a treasure hunt for the children to complete to receive a goody bag as a prize and many other activities.

Come along and enjoy the day at Glamis Hall, Goldsmith Road, Wellingborough.

GLJ Play in a Week Summer Camp

Monday 1st – Friday 5th August, 9.00am – 4.00pm at Glamis Hall, Goldsmith Road, Wellingborough.

£50 for member for the week or £55 for non-members. Take part and produce and star in Alice in Wonderland all in one week!! To book and for more information please email glj@glamishall.org.uk



Lemonpops Summer Arts Workshops

Write, Draw, Create and Make Club Saturday 16th July T-shirt customisation workshop, 23rd July Canvas Artwork shop, and 6th August recycle and reuse workshop all from 11.00am – 1.00pm at WACA, Rock Street, Wellingborough (entrance is around the back of the building).

Write, Draw, Create and Make Club Monday 18th Canvas Art Workshop, 25th July Upcycling and customisation workshop and 8th August Mask Making Workshop all from 6.00pm-8.00pm at St Marks Church, Brickhill, Road, Queensway, Wellingborough.

Poetry and Creative Writing Workshop Saturday 30th July from 12.00 – 2.00pm at Wellingborough Library, Pebble Lane, Wellingborough.

Write Draw, Create and Make Club Monday 25th July Canvas Art workshop, Tuesday 26th July T-shirt customisation workshop, and Wednesday 27th July Mask Making Workshop all from 1.30 – 3.00pm at the Hemmingwell Community Centre, Nest Farm Crescent, Wellingborough.

These are all **Free** to attend. Suitable for those aged 7+ years. Parents will need to complete a permission slip when they drop off their children.

For more information, please contact 07835 165583 or visit [Therapeutic Self Development Arts Programs \(lemonpopworkshops.com\)](http://Therapeutic Self Development Arts Programs (lemonpopworkshops.com))



Lemonpops Workshops Arts Festival at the Beach

Saturday 13th August 12.00-4.00pm, Market Square, Wellingborough Town Centre, NN8 1AS

Activities include Kite making, Clothing Customisation, Rock Painting, Bucket Drumming, Stalls, Learn Circus Skills, Calisthenics, Face Painting, Martial Arts, Games, Art Exhibition, Colouring Wall and competitions. **Free Entry** but there may be charges for some activities.

For more information, please contact 07835 165583 or visit [Therapeutic Self Development Arts Programs \(lemonpopworkshops.com\)](http://Therapeutic Self Development Arts Programs (lemonpopworkshops.com))

Model Railway Show

Come along to the Wellingborough Model Railway Show on Sunday 7th August, 10am until 4pm. Held at the Kingsway Community Centre, 130 Kingsway Road, Wellingborough, NN8 2EN

Beach on the Market

Wellingborough Town Council are once again bringing the beach to the town. From 1st August -31st August 11.00am-3.00pm by the market stalls in the town centre.

For more details, please visit The Beach | Wellingborough Town Council



Museum Summer Activities

Vintage Bus Rally

Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th July at the Museum on Castle Way, Wellingborough. From 10.00am-4.00pm **Free Entry**.

Modern and vintage buses on display, memorabilia exhibition, enthusiast, and trade stalls and of course **Free Bus Rides** around the town.

The Museum café will be open for refreshments on both days and don't forget to have a look around the museum at the same time.

The Museum is open Monday-Saturday from 10.00am-4.30pm and is **Free** to visit. There is a café for refreshments. Have a go at putting in the outside space this is **Free** but there is a £1 refundable deposit for the ball. Lots of fun exploring the history of the town and the building.

Keep an eye on the Museums Facebook page for more updates of exciting things happening over the summer for families by visiting [Wellingborough Museum | Facebook](#)

We are based at Dulley's Baths, 12 Castle Way. Wellingborough, NN8 1XB. Telephone 01933 276838.

Footgolf at Irchester County Park

Come along and have a go at a three hole footgolf course On Thursday 4th August and Thursday 18th August from 10am - 3pm. Great fun for all the family. No need to book just turn up and it is **Free**. Parking charges do apply.



Chester House Estate Summer Events

Chester house has lots of fun things happening over the summer. For full details of opening times, facilities and events please visit [Home - Chester House Estate](#) Free parking no need to book. Chester house can be found off the A45 between Wellingborough and Rushden, NN8 2DH.

Lace Wars Rebellion Event at the Chester House Estate, Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th July – 10am until 4pm

Lace Wars re-enactment group portrays life during the Eighteenth-Century. This is a **Free Event**

They specialise in the period 1740-1760, in particular the Jacobite Rebellion, but they have also been known to dabble with events based on smugglers, highwaymen, and other ne'er-do-wells! They stage events throughout the year at historic sites in the UK and will be visiting The Chester House Estate on 23rd and 24th July 2022. (10am-4pm).

On each day we will have the following displays – Show-and-tell display of around twenty minutes duration, showing the troops of both sides, their uniforms, equipment, weapons, and methods of fighting, with commentary.

Skirmish Display: This will depend on the number of attendees from our group, and children's musket drill.

Kids Summer Fest 6th and 7th August – 10am until 4pm

Join us for a day or two of summer fun with various activities for ALL the family (ages 2+). A ticket will be required per child (ages 2 – 12). Watch this space as more exciting details to be launching soon.

You can pre book Children only by visiting [Kids Summer Fest](#) Tickets are £12.50 per child for the day.

Forest School and SEN Forest School 27th July 28th July, 2nd August, and 4th August 2022

Children can come and learn in a place like no other, surrounded by 85 acres of natural and historical landscape, guests can get hands on learning with guidance from a professional forest teacher.

On selected dates throughout the summer holidays, you can book onto our sessions for your little ones to get hands on experience in a range of nature activities.

We have the following sessions:

All day forest school for Ages 6 to 10 years, 10am until 4pm on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th July 2022

Parents drop off children as they are able to get really into nature in our all day sessions. Experience all this: Tracking Games, Willow Weaving, Den Building, Hammocks, Spud Guns, Nordic Braiding, Making Cordage, and balms on the fire.

To Book tickets please visit [Full Day Forest School](#) Tickets cost £30 per child for the whole day.

Pre-school Forest School Sessions for ages 2-5 years

2nd August 2022 (10am – 11:15am, 12pm – 1:15pm, and 2:30pm – 3:45pm) and 4th August 2022 (12pm – 1:15pm, 2:30pm – 3:45pm)

Sessions themed along the hungry caterpillar, lots of magical woodland fun! We will be exploring the woods looking for our hungry caterpillar, reading the story as we go and making paper plate food. The sessions will conclude with making your own hungry caterpillar out of clay and sticks. Parents to accompany children to these sessions.

To Book tickets for these sessions please visit [Forest School Pre-School Sessions](#) Tickets cost £10 per child

SEND Forest School Session 4th August 2022, 10am – 11:15pm

Sessions are designed around the children attending, you must have a completed form on arrival. This can be found by visiting [Microsoft Word - SEN about me form Chester House\[30\].docx \(chesterhouseestate.org\)](#) A introductory video of the practitioner will be available on request and if contact details are required please ask the Chester House Estate team.

To Book tickets for SEND session please visit [SEND Forest School](#) Tickets cost £10 per child.

Magic Paul: Magic Show 24th August 2022

Magic Show 1 (at 11am) – Magic Paul has lost his bunny rabbit! Can you help him get it back? On this amazing, magical journey your children will learn magic and perform their own miracles! An award-winning magic show, not to be missed! This show is interactive, magical and most of all – fun for all ages!

Magic Show 2 (at 12pm) – A family magic show where children of all ages get the chance to try their hand at magic! Levitating kids, incredible illusions, and a bunny rabbit to boot – what's not to love!

Book your tickets now so you don't miss out by visiting [Magic Show](#)

Fit and Fed at the Hemmingwell Community and Skills Centre

Make sure you get your free places booked! Fun, Fitness and Food

Can you register children who want to come to Fit & Fed with us please - Fit & Fed will be 10am to 1.30pm from Monday to Friday every week of the summer holidays! From Monday 24th July ...

Please message us on our Facebook page by visiting [Hemmingwell Community & Skills Centre | Facebook](#) or message or call us on 07596679279 - or call 01933 405595 - or just pop in to reception at Hemmingwell Community and Skills Centre, 127 Nest Farm Crescent, Wellingborough, NN8 4TU.



Cube Disability Kids Summer Camp

An inclusive holiday camp for children aged 5-16 years with a disability and their siblings. From 15th – 19th August. Cost is £45 per day and Lunch is provided. Holiday, Activity and Food programme places are available. To book please email cubekids@thecubedisability.co.uk and remember to notify us of any dietary requirements.

Colourscape Hosted by Made with Many

Music, dance, colour, and fun come together in this immersive arts experience from Eys Music Trust. More information on these can found by visiting [Eye Music Trust](#).

Come and experience the Moonorooni Touring Colourscape a labyrinth of 25 interconnected inflatable chambers of colour and with spectacular music performances inside, in Wellingborough's Queensway Park on Saturday 23rd July and Eastfield Park on Sunday 24th July. For more information on the Colourscape please visit [Colourscape](#)

Each day from 10am to 3pm Colourscape will be open with Michael Ormiston presenting free-flowing performances and workshops for families on unusual ethnic instruments. And David Stevens presenting 'Sound-Paintings' where you can create your own music just by moving your hands across touch-sensitive paintings. Fantastic for all ages from babies through to 100 year-olds.

Times: 10am to 3pm both weekend days (music plays 10.30am – 2.30pm)

Admission: £1 per person

Booking: You can book your 30-minute slot to explore this fantastic world of light and colour in advance –

Date & location: Saturday 23rd July – Park by Glamis Hall, off Goldsmith Road, Queensway, Wellingborough, NN8 3RU. Booking will soon be open and can be completed by visiting [Colourscape 23rd & 24th July - Made With Many](#)

Date & Location: Sunday 24th July – Eastfield Park, off Cross Road, Wellingborough NN8 4EB. Bookings are open and can be completed by visiting [Colourscape at Wellingborough Eastfield Park at Eastfield Park event tickets from TicketSource](#)

Steelbacks in the Community

Five day cricket summer camp. There is nothing better than five days of cricket in the sun this summer holiday! This is being held at the Wellingborough Town Cricket Club, Redwell Road, Wellingborough, NN8 5AZ. From August 1st -5th ,10.00am-3.00pm

The session is outdoors & players will need to bring a packed lunch & water. It is £65.00 for the five days. To book please visit [Wellingborough Summer Camp](#)

For more information please visit [Steelbacks In The Community](#)

Kettering



Free Turn Up and Play Sessions

Come and join us for fun activities and sports in football, basketball, dodgeball, cricket, rounders, and relay games and much more! Head over and see us at one of our venues. No booking required, just turn up and play for free. Led by qualified Leaders.

For ages 7 to 13 years old. 10am – 12 noon at the following venues:

Week 1

Monday 25th July at North Park, Kettering NN16 9LW
Wednesday 27th July at Burton Latimer Rec, NN15 5LJ
Friday 29th July at Desborough Leisure Centre, NN14 2JJ

Week 2

Monday 1st August at Spring Rise Play Park, NN15 6DP
Friday 5th August at Mawsley Playing Fields, NN14 1GY

Week 3

Monday 8th August at Meadow Road Park, Kettering NN16 0AU
Wednesday 10th August at Kettering Skate Park, NN15 5DJ
Friday 12th August at Highfield Road Park, Kettering

Week 4

Monday 15th August at Rockingham Road Park, Kettering NN16 9RG
Wednesday 17th August at Rothwell Recreational Ground, NN14 6TY
Friday 19th August at Mill Road Park, Kettering NN16 0JJ

Week 5

Monday 22nd August at Hall Meadow Park, Kettering NN15 6FZ
Wednesday 24th August at Grafton Street Park, Kettering NN16 9DF
Friday 26th August at Grange Pocket Park, Kettering, NN16 0QS

Get Creative! Free Arts and Crafts Activities.

No booking required, just come along, and join in the activity or you can take some resources away and complete at home.

Arts and Crafts on Wednesday 27th July, 10th August and 16th August at 1pm to 4pm, families welcome at Kettering Market Place, NN16 0AJ

Free Street Football

Free Street Football is on every Thursday at Grange Pocket Park, Kettering NN16 0QS for 7 to 12 year olds, 6pm – 7pm.

To register your interest please visit [Street Football | KTFc Community Trust](#)

Kettering Town FC Football Summer Camp

25th July – 29th July
1st August – 5th August
8th August – 12th August
22nd August – 26th August

For 5 to 14 year olds, 10am – 3pm at Latimer Park, Powell Lane, Burton Latimer NN15 5PS
Cost is £18 per day or £75 per week.

To book email bookings@ktfccommunitytrust.com

Kettering Gymnastics Summer Camp

July and August various times for children aged 5 years plus, please email to find out dates, times, and cost info@ketteringgymnasticsclub.co.uk They are based at Brunel Close, Kettering NN16 9QQ

Northampton Tennis Coaching Multi Activity

Kettering Tennis Centre, Lake Avenue, NN15 6PB for children and young people aged 5 to 15 years old

1st August - 5th August and 15th - 19th August
Sessions times: 8am – 9am, 9am – 4pm, 4pm – 5pm
Cost: Hour Session £2 members or £3 non-members
Full Day £23 members or £25 non-members

Further information email northamptontenniscoaching@gmail.com To book please visit [Northampton Tennis Coaching](#)



Desborough Library and Community Hub What's On?

16th July at 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm), Soups to Suspenders Talk by Mike Stroud, cost is £5
21st July from 9am, Cake Sale, cost various
30th July at 7.30pm, (doors open at 7pm), Cantare Singers, cost is £5

Every Tuesday from 1.30pm – 3.30pm, Knit and Natter, cost is £1 including hot drink

Every Thursday from 2pm – 3.30pm, Scrabble Club, free

Second Wednesday of the month 10.30am – 12pm, Coffee, Tea and Books, cost is £1 including hot drink

4th August Coffee Morning (FODL) from 9.30am – 12pm, cost various

4th August at 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm), Genealogy by Picture My Past, cost is £5

6th August at 2pm (doors open at 1.30pm), Bingo, cost is £1

13th August at 2.30pm (doors open at 2pm), Poems of Pam Ayres presented by Sheila Turner, cost is £4 including hot drink and cake

For tickets for any of the above events please email dhubcontact@gmail.com or pop in to Desborough Library and Community Hub or visit [Desborough Library and Community Hub | Facebook](#)



The Green Patch Community Gardening, Valley Walk, Kettering NN16 0LU

Kettering Library Rhymetime is being held at The Green Patch, every Tuesday morning from the 5th July from 10.15am.

Summer Reading Challenge Wallets and Stickers will also be available for collection, all families welcome.

Community Gardening every Tuesday and Thursday 10am – 2pm, be part of a vibrant group of volunteer gardeners, working together to develop and maintain our incredible community space at the Green Patch.

Use your skills, learn new ones, and build new friendships with likeminded people! For further information call the Green Patch on 01536 521555 or drop in and have a look at what we are up to.

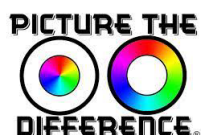


Around the world the SEN Partytime way

Sat 30th July 2022 at The Church of Christ the King, Kettering, NN15 7AA

Grab your passports and join us for an around the world adventure. Hear music from different parts of the world, experience dancing from different countries. Enjoy a story full of sensory goodies on our aeroplane. We will be playing musical instruments, singing songs, and having fun. It's Summertime! Remember your sunglasses. Let's enjoy the day the SEN Partytime way!

Tickets cost £4 each and there are 2 sessions to choose from 11.00am or 2.00pm. To book please visit [Around the world the SEN Partytime way at The Church of Christ the King event tickets from TicketSource](#)



Picture the Difference

An update about our creative and performing arts offer for young people and adults with additional needs. We try to accommodate a range of additional needs - those with neurodiversity, physical disability, or mental health issues, whether diagnosed or undiagnosed.

Not all our projects are suitable for everyone and so we consider each referral individually. Crucially, those referred must have an interest or talent in the creative or performing arts.

Food Offer Central to each day, we have an exciting food offer that has evolved from the health and cooking skill needs of our participants. My colleague, Rachel Dymott, has developed this in an exciting and original way that engages those with poor eating habits to cook healthy meals from scratch. We have some opportunities for individuals to get involved in this work, so please contact Rachel email rjdymott@yahoo.co.uk for more information.

Visit Us We are coming to the end of our summer projects, so now is about visiting to see what we do, with thoughts for referrals starting in September 2022.

Project Information (term time):

Monday Night's 7.30-9.30pm - a relaxed social night where we enjoy music jam sessions, drama games, board games and art. We have several skilled musicians that play and perform as part of the PTD House Band and so we encourage those with musical talent to contact us.

PtD on Stage - Wednesdays 10am-3pm - This day is perfect for those keen to be part of a pop-up theatre company. We co-produce original performances and participants are usually involved in one or more aspects: acting, music creation, props & scenery design. These performances are offered for free to local schools and community groups and we usually have one public performance.

PtD on Stage - Thursday 10am-3pm - This day is about developing thoughtful, creative responses to a specific theme (e.g., 'Difference'). Currently, we offer this to Isebrook School students aged 14-19, however, there is an option to offer additional places as from September 2022. Our additional needs Arts Leaders assist in mentoring these students, skill-sharing and co-producing creative outcomes which are presented in a showcase at the end of the academic year.

PtD Lead & PtD Learn Day - Fridays 10am-3pm - a project for mixed ability additional needs.

PtD Lead is for those with greater ability in the arts who want to work on independent projects with other participants. For instance, Something Different Art Enterprise - creating original artworks for sales to the public and promotion as artists; music production - writing and recording radio plays, original music, and podcasts; Helping run Cafe Mango - developing cooking and customer skills. Staff are always on hand to offer guidance and support and facilitate as needed.

PtD Learn is for those with less ability to develop their creativity, communication and social skills through drama games and improvised role play, British Sign Language, Relaxation techniques and Arts and Crafts. Our Arts Leaders help support and run some of these sessions. We have the whole building for ourselves so can spread out into different rooms.

If you need any further information or would like to discuss our programme in more detail or arrange a visit please contact Zoe on 079475751 email admin@picthediff.com or visit [Additional Needs Arts | Kettering | Picture the Difference \(picthediff.com\)](#)

Corby

Splat Holiday Club

Lodge Park Sports Club, 134 -138 Shetland Way, Corby NN17 2SG

A fun and exciting childcare option, offering a range of activities during every school holiday! Monday 25th July 2022 – Friday 2nd September 2022 (excluding Bank Holidays)

For children aged 5 to 12 years includes fun art and craft sessions, sports, and games. You will need to bring a water bottle, hat and suncream.

For sessions and cost please visit [Splat Holiday Club | Corby Leisure](#) and book by visiting [Playwaze - View Event](#)

Happenin Football Club

Lodge Park Sports Centre, 134-138 Shetland Way, Corby NN17 2SG

Come and play football with your friends, for children aged 6 years plus, every Monday 5.30pm – 6.30pm, no need to book just turn up.

Cost is £3 per session or part of Junior Leisure Club contact 01536 464047.

Happenin Kidz Club

Danesholme Community Centre, Motala Close, Corby NN18 9EJ

Come and join in the fun with drama, sports, arts and crafts, games, for children aged 6 years plus, every Wednesday 7pm – 8pm, no need to book just turn up.

Cost is £3 per session or part of Junior Leisure Club contact 01536 464047

NRG Inclusive Activity Club

Hazelwood, Neighbourhood Centre, Gainsborough Road, Corby NN18 0QF

Exciting activities including archery, boccia, arts and crafts, music, food technology and games, for children aged 8 years plus, every Monday (except bank holidays), 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

Cost is £3.50 per session or part of Junior Leisure Club contact 01536 464047, email sportandplaydevelopment@northnorthants.gov.uk

***Please note if additional support is required a parent or carer will be required to stay for the session.**

Shape Dance Camp

Lodge Park Sports Centre, 134 – 138 Shetland Way, Corby NN17 2SG

Wow! Shape Dance is bringing you a summer of different dance styles including tap, ballet and modern, as well as various fun games and activities from our qualified Shape Dance Instructors. Sessions are on Wednesday 10th August, 17th August, 24th August and 31st August. For Ages 5 to 12 years!

Morning session is 8.30am – 1pm and Afternoon Session is 1pm -5.30pm, Bring a water bottle

Cost is £10.50 per session. To book please visit [Playwaze - View Event](#)

Free Turn Up and Play Sessions

Gretton Village, Muga Court, Corby

Multi Sports Activities on Monday's 25th July, 1st August, 8th August, 15th and 22nd August for ages 5 to 12, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Priors Hall Amphitheatre, Priors Hall Park, Corby NN17 5EB

Multi Sports Activities on Wednesday's 27th July, 3rd August, 10th August, 17th August and 24th August for ages 5 to 12, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Oakley Vale – Harper Brook Field, Corby NN18 8QT

Street Football on Thursday's 28th July, 4th August, 11th August, 18th August and 25th August for ages 8 years plus, 2pm – 4pm

East Carlton Countryside Park

Archery and Explorer activities for families on Friday's 29th July, 5th August, 12th August, 19th August and 26th August, 1.30pm – 3.30pm

For more information please visit [East Carlton Countryside Park | North Northamptonshire Council \(northnorthants.gov.uk\)](#) one of the most beautiful and active country parks in North Northamptonshire where you can have a fantastic day out – especially if you bring the children and the dog! **Free parking.**

Corby East Midlands International Pool

Parkland Gateway, George Street, Corby NN17 1QG

Family Fun Float Session please feel free to bring your own inflatables along (no large boats allowed), every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9am – 10.30am. Families come and join in the fun!

Pirate Pool (Under 5s pool) A fun pool with tipping buckets, slide, bubble field and features to build your child's confidence in the water. Siblings up to the age of 8 are welcome to join in this pool, (ensuring they are respectful of others). Every weekday 1 hour and 30 minutes sessions between 9am and 6.30pm.

Adults can bring up to two children aged under 5, as long as one child is wearing flotation device.

Normal swim prices apply these are found at please visit [Corby Leisure | Memberships | Gym, Swimming and Juniors](#). If you have any questions, please contact 01536 464643 or 01536 400033.

Disability and Special Educational Needs Swimming Session

A warmer swimming pool for children and young people with SEND. The pool is 1m in depth so ideal to carry out rehabilitation exercises. Every weekday 12pm – 1pm, all ages welcome. Registered Carers must also book into the session.

Leisure Lane Swims

Available for medium to fast ability swimmers. 1 hour and 30 minutes sessions between 9am and 6.30pm. Under 8s must be accompanied by an adult at all times. All individual's must book separately.

Creche at Corby International Pool and Lodge Park Sports Centre

Booking is advisable for the Creche and can be made 7 days in advance to avoid disappointment. Sessions at Corby International Pool are Monday to Friday 9.30am – 11.25am. Additional session on Monday's 12.30pm – 2.25pm. Cost is 1 hour £3.50 and 2 hours £5.80. Sessions at Lodge Park are on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9.20am – 11.25am.

Ages 3 months to 5 years. Children up to 8 years of age can attend with siblings during the school holidays at Corby International Pool too. To book please visit [Creche at Corby Pool | Corby East Midlands International Pool \(corbyleisure.co.uk\)](#) to book or contact Lodge Park Sports Centre on 01536 400033 or Corby International Pool on 01536 464643

Lodge Park Sports Centre

134 – 138 Shetland Way, Corby NN17 2SG

Indoor 5 a side or Astro turf football throughout the summer, Monday to Friday 7am to 4.30pm, all ages, cost is £10.50

Racket Sports (Tennis, short tennis, badminton), throughout the summer, Monday to Friday 7am to 5pm, all ages, cost is £5.00 per court per hour (equipment available to hire).

Teen Fit Circuits and Train Together Sessions, throughout the year, for ages 12 to 15, cost is £3.80 per session or part of the junior leisure club.

For full details please visit [Exercise for Teens & Children | Corby Leisure](#) or book contact 01536 400033.

Junior Leisure Club

Activities include leisure swimming, supervised diving, football on the Astro turf at Lodge Park or West Glebe, teen fitness for 12 to 15 year olds, badminton at Lodge Park or Hazelwood NC, tennis at Lodge Park, table tennis at Lodge Park, West Glebe or Hazelwood NC, Cheerleading, access to NRG disability sports club.

For Ages 5 to 15, cost £12.50 per month by direct debit no contract, various venues contact 01536 400033 or visit [Junior Leisure Club | Corby Leisure](#)

Student Leisure Membership

Various activities including Gym, swim, classes and health suite. Gym induction fee applies, full time students only (proof required), student 16 years plus. Cost £19.99 per month by direct debit (no contract) please visit [Leisure Membership | Corby Leisure](#) or contact 01536 400033

West Glebe Park and Pavilion

West Glebe Park is one of Corby's biggest open spaces. New pump track, play area, skateboard park, MUGA, outdoor tennis and table tennis. The AstroTurf offers pay and play football sessions for juniors and adults. The pavilion is available to purchase hot or cold drinks, ice creams and confectionery. Walking distance from the town centre.

Pay and Play Football on the Astro Turf – West Glebe Astro Turf

Come and play football with your friends, sessions are unsupervised, children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is under 16s £2.00 and adults 16 plus £3.00 per hour. Booking not required for information contact 01536 204217.

Sessions are every weekday (except bank holidays)

Monday 1pm – 4pm

Tuesday 10am – 11am
Wednesday 12pm – 3pm
Thursday 10am – 12pm and 1pm – 4pm
Friday 11am – 2pm

Free Outdoor Table Tennis Just bring your own bats and balls. Equipment can be loaned from the Pavilion during opening hours cost is £5. Everyday during daylight. All ages welcome.

Junior Table Tennis Coaching (Outdoor). Monday 1st August, 15th August and 22nd August 2pm – 3pm, cost is £4 per person, essential to book on 01536 204217

Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) Tennis and Basketball bring your own equipment, everyday during daylight hours, free of charge at West Glebe Park.

Bike Pump Track Open to the public bring your bike and have a go, everyday during daylight hours, free of charge at West Glebe Park.

Love Explore Dinosaur Safari and Corby Heritage Trail Everyone welcome, everyday during daylight hours, free of charge at West Glebe Park and East Carlton Countryside Park visit [Love Exploring - Love Exploring](#)

Corby Woodland Project – All Sessions are Free

A range of outdoor games and activities for children to build confidence and social skills whilst learning about plants and animals within our woodlands.

Corby Growing Wizards at Coronation Park, Bowling Pavilion, every Monday (excluding 1st August and 29th August), ages 5 to 11, 10am – 12pm

Foxy's Forest School at Corby Boating Lake, near log cabin, Wednesday 27th July and Friday 29th July, Wednesday 17th August and Friday 19th August, ages 5 to 11, 10am – 12pm

Foxy's Forest School at Weldon Woodland Park, Wednesday 10th August and Friday 12th August, Wednesday 31st August and Friday 2nd September, ages 5 to 11, 10am – 12pm

Foxy's Forest School at Kingswood Local Nature Reserve, Gainsborough Road entrance, Wednesday 24th August and Friday 26th August, ages 5 to 11, 10am – 12pm

Sessions must be booked in advance by emailing gary.chisholm@northnorthants.gov.uk further information will then be sent to secure the booking.

Art and Craft sessions held at Corby Heritage Centre

Corby Heritage Centre – 75 High Street, Corby Old Village.

Crowns and Tiaras, Wednesday 27th July and Thursday 28th July

Bug Garden Stakes, Thursday 11th August and Friday 12th August

Jungle Animal Windchimes, Thursday 18th August and Friday 19th August

Frog Puppets, Thursday 25th August and Friday 26th August

For children aged 4 to 11, (all children must be accompanied by Parent or Carer), 1pm – 3pm, cost is £3.50 per person per session.

Places are limited so please book in advance by emailing Billy.dalziel@northnorthants.gov.uk

Golf for Students in Full Time Education

Priors Hall Golf Course, Stamford Road, Corby NN17 3JH

Golf for students in full time education, available throughout the year, 5 to 15 years cost is £55 per year and an adult must accompany, 16 to 18 years cost is £125 per year, 19 to 21 years cost is £265 per year.

To book please contact 01536 260756.

Summer Camps provided by Corby Clubs

Corby Tennis Centre, Jimmy Kane Way, Corby. Corby Tennis Centre Summer Camps, run by LTA licensed and registered Coaches, ages 5 to 10, cost is £60.00

Camp 1 is the 2nd August to the 4th August, 10am – 2pm

Camp 2 is the 16th August to the 18th August, 10am – 2pm

No previous tennis experience needed, each camp runs for 3 days and is an opportunity to learn skill based techniques and skills.

To book contact 01536 407851 or visit [Corby Tennis Centre](#)

Corby Town Football Club Summer Soccer Camp – Jimmy Kane Way, Corby

World Cup Special: Staff FA Qualified and DBS checked.

Everyday (except on bank holiday), 9am – 3pm, children aged 5 to 12, children must wear shin pads and suitable footwear and advised to take lunch, snacks, drinks, and clothing for change in weather conditions. You can book a week or just a day, cost is £15 per day if you book a whole week, or £16.50 a day. To book contact Dominic Genovese on 07768115001 or email academy@corbytown.co.uk

Stewart and Lloyds Corby Cricket Club – Tata Sports Field, Cannock Road, Corby NN17 1YQ

Free taster sessions during the summer holidays!

Every Friday evening 6pm – 6.45pm, for more information contact 07850287305 or email info@slccc.co.uk



Wild Cats Girls Football

West Glebe Park, Astro Turf, Cottingham Road, Corby NN17 1SZ

For girls aged 5 to 11 to get involved with football and make friends, every Saturday 10am to 11am, cost is £3.00 per session or £10.00 per month.

For more information visit [Football for girls aged 5-11 - Weetabix Wildcats | England Football](#) or email corbytownwildcats@gmail.com



What's on at Corby Library!

Weekly events please note that under 5s sessions are to be paused over the summer holidays (23rd July – 5th September) and will be replaced with family activities please see below:

Summer Activities

Saturday 16th July – Gadgeteers Family Activity, Drop in

Saturday 23rd July – Gadgeteers Family Activity, Drop in

Monday 25th July – Gadgeteers Craft Event, bookable

Saturday 30th July – Gadgeteers Family Activity, Drop in

Saturday 6th August – Gadgeteers Family Activity, Drop in

Monday 8th August – Gadgeteers Craft Event, bookable

Please ask staff for more details of any of the activities listed.

Saturday Crafts will be detailed on library posters and Facebook. You can contact us for more information via email at corby.libraryplus@northnorthants.gov.uk by phone 0300 126 3000 (options 5 and then 3) direct message on [Corby Library | Facebook](#) or pop in to Corby Library.



Group Timetable - Our weekly timetable is available to see what's on across Corby Children's Centres next week. For more information on all groups, please visit [Pengreen Parent and Child Groups](#)

Kingswood Sensory Room - Good news our Kingswood Sensory Room is now available for bookings. Three time slots are available every Friday 12:00pm, 12:45pm, 1:30pm. Single adult £5.00, multiple adults £3.00 each. Maximum number of adults four. None more than 8 people in the space including children.

Please contact Kathy Cairns on reception at Kingswood – 01536 747508
kathy.cairns@northnorthants.gov.uk to secure your booking.

Nursery Open Morning - We are also hosting a Nursery Open Morning on Saturday 16th July 2022 10:00am – 11:30am. Simply to register for the event please visit [Nursery Open Morning For Parents | Pen Green Children's Centre](#) You will be able to access the nursery spaces and talk with staff who will be able to answer any of your questions and offer advice regarding funded places.

KHL Big Festival Fun Day –A free festival for all

Saturday 13th August 2022, 12pm – 4pm, at Hazelwood Neighbourhood Centre, Woodsend Field, School Place, Corby NN18 0QP

Come and join in the fun! Bubbles, Assault Course, Climbing Wall, Circus Sensible, Claire's Café, Total Wipeout, Garden Games, Sports Activities, The Compound, Skate Ramp, Live Demonstrations and more acts and attractions to follow subject to availability.



Creative Kingswood and Hazel Leys – Free Art based activities at KHL Community Shed (By Hazelwood Neighbourhood Centre)

Cornerstone Methodist Church, Kingsbrook Corby NN18 9HY – Summer Activities

Every other Saturday from the 16th July, 11am – 1pm, Snacks and all materials provided! Under 8s to be accompanied by an adult. For more information, please visit [KHL Big Local | Facebook](#)

Saturday 16th July, Community Family Event 2pm – 4pm

Cream Teas will be served. Free children's entertainment from Mr Custard the Clown, ice cream van, children's crafts, and games.

Every Wednesday through the summer holidays our coffee morning will be taking place 9am – 11.30am and we will also offer crafts and games for children.

Children's Holiday Club – 1st August and 22nd August, 2pm – 4pm at Cornerstone Methodist Church. If you would like your child to attend, please book a place by emailing Caroline at youth@ketteringcorbymethodists.org

Free Family Fun Day

Wednesday, 3rd August, at West Glebe Park, Corby NN17 1SZ

The Active Communities Family Funday 2022 (National Playday) is on Wednesday 3rd August 2022 at West Glebe Park in Corby. The event will run from 12 noon to 4pm. In previous years we have had over 5000 people to the event and hopefully this year will see the same numbers.

Families come and join in the fun in various activities including sports, trampolines, soft play, arts, and crafts and much more!

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