

River Mead School Parent Newsletter

23/06/2023



Our school latest news: <http://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/news-dates/latest-news>

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A message from Mrs Austin

The last few weeks of term will continue to be very busy, please make sure you have read the dates section, and the information about transition and 'Meet the team' opportunities.

Teachers Strike

You will have seen in the press that there will be a further two days of teachers strike by the NEU these will be the 5th and 7th of July. Unless there is some movement in the governments position prior to these dates, we anticipate that these will go ahead.

On both the 5th and 7th of July due to staff striking the school will be closed to *ALL* pupils except those who have been invited in. You will receive and invite from the school office next week if this applies to you.

I can only continue to thank you for your support, we understand that it is inconvenient, but it is important that our teachers are valued for the job they do for your children.

Hot Weather

The weather continues to be very warm, I have seen lots of children with their hats, sun cream and water bottles, so thank you for making sure they are safe in this warm, sunny weather. Remember a cloudy start to the day often means a hot day to come so don't be fooled into thinking it won't be as warm. We do try and limit the time children are out and about in the sun and keep them as cool as we can indoors too.

Thank a Teacher

Thank you to the Friends of River Mead for the breakfast treats they provided for "Thank a Teacher day" - what a lovely surprise, a lovely gesture and shared with the wider team.

Online Concerns

If you have an older child in school who has a mobile phone can you please check how they are using it and who they might be 'chatting' to, there have been a number of issues in recent weeks where children have forgotten that they should *"think before you post, be kind online and ask for help if something makes you feel worried, upset or uncomfortable"*.

There are some good resources available on a number of sites worth reading [Internet Matters](#) & [NSPCC Keeping children safe online](#) are just two.

For some specific advice about social media [Advice about Social media](#)

For our younger children remember to consider their screen time/use, while the weather is good lots of exploring and playing outside will entertain them and they will learn lots too!

Mrs Austin

Transition to new classes - Meet the team!

Children in mainstream classes will have brought home a letter today detailing which staff will be working with them when they move to their new classes in September. Please look out for this letter and let us know if you haven't received it.

Later this term there will be the opportunity for you to attend a brief informal meeting at either the start or end of the day to meet your child's new teacher and find out a little more about what they will be learning next year.

All of these meetings will be held in the music room (mobile classroom on the playground).

The dates and times for these are as follows:

Current YR moving to Y1 - Monday 17th July at 2:45pm

Current Y1 moving to Y2 - Friday 21st July at 8:45am

Current Y2 moving to Y3 - Monday 17th July at 8:45am

Current Y3 moving to Y4 - Tuesday 18th July at 2:45pm

Current Y4 moving to Y5 - Thursday 20th July at 8:45am

Current Y5 moving to Y6 - Friday 21st July at 2:45pm

If you are a Resource Base parent transition meetings will be organised and shared with you as soon as class structure is finalised. If you would like to come along and meet your child's mainstream teacher at the sessions outlines above, you are most welcome to attend.

Attendance - every child, every day!



1 - School overall 95.3% compared to National 94.7%

Attendance the last data (week 16/6/23) shows

School overall 95.3% compared to National 94.7% - Keep it up every child, every day!!

You MUST inform the school of your child's absence if you as the parent are unwell you are expected to find support to ensure your children are at school and on time.

Check your Arbor App, what % is your child's attendance??? if it is below 90% you may well be asked to attend a meeting at school to discuss this

Any term time holidays will be denied and any overall unauthorised absences that mean your child has accumulated 10 sessions will also be considered for a fine, this is a legal process and the school does not receive this money



Curriculum Booklets

What is my child learning in school?

Our children benefit from an exciting and engaging curriculum which has been developed to ensure that learning is irresistible for children. Follow the link below to find out more about your child's curriculum for the year and to see photos of their learning environment.

<https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/>

Notice to all parents & carers



**NO SMOKING
NO VAPING**

A polite reminder to all parents & carers that smoking or vaping is prohibited on site. Please refrain also from smoking & vaping outside the school gates to ensure the health & safety of all.

Please could we also ask you to consider and ensure that your clothing is appropriate when dropping off and collecting children, this includes tops being worn.

We thank you for your cooperation on these matters.

Star of the Week



Otters - Archie Wild

Dormice - Kaiden Deerans

Frogs - All Frogs class

Hérons - Oscar Bole

Kestrels - Delilah Holbrook

Badgers - Maxi Cathcart-Harris

Buzzards - Ruby O'Harrow

Bumble Bees - Blakey Smith

Dragonflies - Dominic McCormack

Hot Chocolate with The Senior Leadership Team



Well Done to those children who have gone 'above and beyond' this week with their attitude and behaviour, this week the Leadership Team will be welcoming the children for their hot chocolate

These children are:

Otters - Eddie Edmunds

Dormice - Lola Brookbanks

Frogs - Arabella Antoni-Turner

Hérons - Jentson Ward

Kestrels - Murdoch Remington

Badgers - Gracie-Mae Plumb

Buzzards - Martha Southall

Dragonflies - Sienna Stone

Kingfisher Reading Challenge



A big well done to those children who have completed the following reads:

Dormice:

5 reads - Ayaansh Doneria, Tommy Sieviewright, Rowan Mustali, Zachary Perrin, Elia Duli, Kaiden Deerans

Frogs

225 reads - Taylor Busby

250 reads - Freddy Wild

200 reads - Oliwia

Buzzards

125 reads - Darcie Jowett

Writer of the Week



Otters - Arabella Gill

Dormice - Keira Parker

Frogs - Ella-Rose Pearson

Hérons - Jojo Maritiro.

Kestrels - Imogen G

Badgers - Calum Wheatley

Buzzards - Roxy Mitchell

Bumble Bees - Lawson Miles

Dragonflies - Adam Ottway

Mathematician of the Week



Otters - Mason Mann

Dormice - Effie Antoni-Turner

Frogs - Isabelle Rodger

Hérons - Adam Shahzad

Kestrels - Gracie Wheeler

Badgers - Isabelle Thorpe

Bumble Bees - Jake Burnett

Dragonflies - Dominic McCormack

Online Safety Advice

Designed for the sharing of advice to supporting parents, carers and trusted adults, this information is not an official communication and for other purposes it may be used without the permission of the National Online Safety team. This guide focuses on one of many online risks and is not intended to be a comprehensive guide to all online risks. Please refer to the National Online Safety website for further advice, tips and links to help.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP

WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.

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LARGEST OF THE WORLD

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS

Scammers occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes or money. They may ask you to click on a link to win, or to download an app. If you click on a link or download an app, you may be asked to provide personal information. Scammers may then use this information to steal your money or to sell your personal information to others. They may also use your information to contact you later, or to send you more messages. If you receive a message like this, do not click on any links or download any apps. Report the message to WhatsApp.

DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

WhatsApp has a feature called 'disappearing messages'. This means that messages sent to you will disappear after a set period of time. This can be useful for sending sensitive information, but it can also be used by scammers to hide their tracks. If you receive a message like this, be cautious. Do not click on any links or download any apps. Report the message to WhatsApp.

ENABLING FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp has been used to spread fake news, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. Fake news can be harmful, as it can lead to panic and confusion. It can also be used to spread hate and discrimination. If you receive a message like this, do not share it. Report the message to WhatsApp.

POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING

WhatsApp can be used for cyberbullying. This can include sending threatening messages, or sharing embarrassing photos or videos. If you experience cyberbullying, report it to WhatsApp. You can also block the person who is bullying you.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

WhatsApp allows you to add contacts from your phone, or to find people who are using the app. This can be useful for staying in touch with friends and family, but it can also be used by strangers to contact you. If you receive a message from a stranger, do not respond. Report the message to WhatsApp.

LOCATION SHARING

WhatsApp has a feature called 'location sharing'. This allows you to share your location with other people. This can be useful for staying in touch with friends and family, but it can also be used by strangers to track you. If you share your location, be cautious. Do not share your location with strangers.

Advice for Parents & Carers [CLICK HERE](#)

CREATE A SAFE PROFILE

Even though someone would need a child's name to add them to a contact, it's still worth ensuring a young person's profile settings to restrict who can see their 'About' info, 'My contact's 'About' info, and 'My contact's 'About' info. This can help to protect your child's profile from being protected.

EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, or if they find a contact they don't want to be in contact with, they should block them using settings in the app. Blocking someone does not remove them from your child's contact list, so they will still be able to see their profile and status. However, they will not be able to see your child's profile or status, and they will not be able to contact your child.

REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS

Young people shouldn't engage with any messages that look like they're from a friend or family member, or that seem to be from a company or organisation. If you receive a message like this, report it to WhatsApp. You can also block the person who is sending the message.

LEAVE A GROUP

If your child is in a group chat that they don't want to be in, they should leave the group. They can do this by going to the group chat, tapping on the group name at the top, and then tapping on 'Leave Group'. This will remove your child from the group chat, and they will no longer be able to see the messages or send messages to the group.

THINK ABOUT LOCATION

If your child needs to use the 'Live Location' feature to share their location with someone, they should think about whether they want to share their location. They should also think about whether they want to share their location for a set period of time, or whether they want to share their location indefinitely. They should also think about whether they want to share their location with a single person, or whether they want to share their location with a group of people.

DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES

If your child sends a message that they don't want to send, they should delete it as soon as possible. They can do this by going to the message, tapping on it, and then tapping on 'Delete'. This will remove the message from your child's phone, and it will also be removed from the recipient's phone. However, if the message has already been read, it may still be visible to the recipient.

CHECK THE FACTS

You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages that have been forwarded at least five times. To do this, tap on the message, and then tap on 'Check Facts'. This will take you to a page where you can see whether the message is true or false. If the message is false, you can report it to WhatsApp.

Meet Our Expert

Adrian Howe is a social media expert and digital marketing specialist with over 10 years' experience in the digital marketing industry. He has worked with a wide range of clients, including businesses, charities and individuals. He is passionate about helping people to get the most out of their digital marketing efforts.

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Snapchat is a photo- and video-sharing app through which users can chat with friends via text or audio. Images and videos can be shared with specific friends, or as a 'story' (documenting the previous 24 hours) which is visible to a person's entire friend list. Snapchat usage rose significantly during the lockdown periods, with many young people utilising it to stay connected with their peers. The app continues to develop features to engage an even larger audience and emulate current trends, rivalling platforms such as TikTok and Instagram.

Friends of River Mead

The friends of River mead are organising a summer fair for the 14th of July. This will run from 3.30pm - 5.30pm.

Please come and join us for fun and games.

* NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY *

We are having a non school uniform day on Friday the 30th June to raise donations for the summer fair tombola. Please bring a donation in to school. This can be a either confectionery or a bottle of something e.g fizzy, alcohol, shower gel, boxes of biscuits, chocolate etc.

The FORM is a small group, therefore if anyone would like to volunteer to help us with the summer fair we would greatly appreciate this. Any help is welcome. More details the help required will be added to the FORM Facebook page shortly.

Thank you,

Friends of River Mead

Family & Community Learning

spurgeons
children's church

April to June 2023
Request your place: 0800 970 4669



Scrapstore

We have partnered with Wiltshire Scrapstore to bring you a fun craft activity session near you!

Bradford-on-Avon Library
Wednesday 26th April, 11.15am - 12.15pm

Downton Library
Thursday 4th May, 10.30am - 11.30am

Amesbury Library
Thursday 11th May, 10.30am - 11.30am

Westbury Library
Tuesday 16th May, 10.30am - 11.30am

Wilton Library
Thursday 25th May, 10.30am - 11.30am

Pewsey Library
Tuesday 13th June, 10.30am - 11.30am

Warminster Library
Wednesday 21st June, 10.30am - 11.30am

Marlborough Library
Thursday 29th June, 10.30am - 11.30am

Sensory Rooms

Sensory rooms are available free of charge in all our centres for 30 minute appointments. Give us a call to find out about availability at your nearest centre.

Play and Connect

Play and connect with us and other families during these weekly play sessions.

Westbury Community Project
Mondays 1.00pm - 2.00pm
Just drop in!

Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury
Mondays 10.00am - 11.00am
Just drop in!

Bulford Children's Centre, Bulford
Tuesdays 10.00am - 11.00am
Just drop in!

Sessions for children with SEND - Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes
Tuesdays (Fortnightly) 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Please book your place

Studley Green Children's Centre, Trowbridge
Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am
Please book your place

Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham
Fridays 1.00pm - 2.00pm
Please book your place

Sessions for children with SEND - Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth
Fridays (Fortnightly) 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Please book your place

Don't forget all of our sessions are completely free of charge!

Please note details may be subject to change. Information correct as of 14/3/23



Are you a Parent or Carer of an Early Years aged Child with Special Needs or a Disability?

The Wiltshire Parent Carer Council is inviting parent carers of early years children to join us for a chat over coffee and cake. We would love to meet you and hear about your current early years experiences.



What's working well? Are there any barriers? What does transition from early years into school feel like for you?

We are working with Wiltshire Council and your feedback will help to inform some of the specialist services for early years children in Wiltshire.

Details of venues can be found on the booking form.

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

You can book online

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WPCC-EY-June2023>

Alternatively

Scan the QR code

or

Phone: 01225 764647

Email: reception@wiltspcc.co.uk



Monday 19th June
Salisbury

11.30am to 2.30pm

Friday 23rd June
Calne

10.00am to 1.00pm

Tuesday 27th June
Marlborough

10.00am to 1.00pm

Parent carers will be able to claim travel and childcare expenses

Refreshments will be provided



Wiltshire Council

Spurgeons

Course Dates July 2023

Request your place: 0800 970 4669

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Ready To Start School

Helpful tips and strategies to prepare your little one for starting school. Join us for our 2 week programme starting:

Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth
Tuesday 11th July, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes
Wednesday 12th July, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Five to Thrive

Join us for 5 fun filled practical sessions where we can share ideas to develop the positive connection between you and your child.

Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury
Wednesday 5th July, 10.00am - 11.00am

Online via Microsoft teams
Thursday 6th July, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Being a Parent

Via Microsoft Teams

7pm-8.30pm, Wednesdays from 5th July

Baby Massage

For parents and their non-mobile babies. Join us for 4 weeks learning how to encourage bonding and communication through touch.

Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth
Monday 3rd July, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury
Wednesday 5th July, 10.00am - 11.30am

Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes
Thursday 6th July, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth
Monday 31st July, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Bookstart

4 fun weekly sessions where you and your child can explore stories and rhymes in fun and creative ways.

Tidworth Library
Monday 3rd July, 10.30am - 11.30am

Devizes Library
Tuesday 4th July, 10.00am - 11.00am

Salisbury Library
Tuesday 4th July, 10.00am - 11.00am

Marlborough Library
Thursday 6th July, 10.00am - 11.00am

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Play and Connect

Play and connect with other families weekly during this play session.

Westbury Community Project, Westbury
Mondays from 3rd July
1.00pm - 2.00pm

Studley Green Children's Centre, Trowbridge
Fridays from 7th -21st July
10.00am - 11.00am

Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham
Fridays from 7th -21st July
1.00pm - 2.00pm

Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth
For children with SEND
Fridays from 7th July
1.30pm - 2.30pm

Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes
For children with SEND
Tuesdays from 11th July
1.30pm - 2.30pm

Play, Talk and Grow Together

This group is for forces and civilian families with children of 0-5 years.

Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth
Every Tuesday, 10.00am - 11.30am
Every Friday, 10.00am - 11.30am

Make and Create with Scrapstore

We have partnered with Wiltshire Scrapstore to bring you a fun craft activity session near you!

Tisbury Library, Nadder Centre, Weaveland Road, Tisbury SP3 6HJ
Wednesday 5th July, 10.30-11.30am

Mere Library, Barton Lane, Mere BA12 6JA
Wednesday 12th July, 10.30am-11.30am

Bradford-on-Avon Library, Bridge Street, Bradford-on-Avon BA15 1BY
Wednesday 19th July, 11.15am-12.15pm

Feel confident to help your child

learn



July 2023 - online courses

Helping My Child with Anxiety and Worry

Friday 7 July 10:00 -12:00

Helping My Child Build Concentration and Resilience

Friday 14 July 10:00 -12:00

Helping My Child Prepare Positively for Change

Friday 21 July 10:00 -12:00

Our courses are free, if you are over 19 years old, a resident in UK/EU for over three years, live in Wiltshire and meet any of the following criteria:

- less than five GCSEs grades A-C
- in receipt of benefits
- a military family
- a family with SEN child / children
- are unemployed and seeking employment
- have certain types of immigration status

To find out more
visit workwiltshire.co.uk/events,
call **01225 770 478** or email familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk





Wiltshire Council

School Term & Holiday Dates

School holidays are important to all of us! To help you plan for some family time we have put together the School Term & Holiday Calendar for 2022 - 2023. You can find this by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.themeadtrust.org/news-and-dates/term-dates/>

Teacher Training Days for the next academic year 2023/2024 are:

1st September 2023

4th September 2023

30th October 2023

4th January 2024

3rd June 2024

PE timetable - Please see changes below

PE Days

On PE days children should come in wearing their PE kit to avoid changing at school.

Badgers - Monday

Dormice & Frogs - Tuesday

Heron & Kestrels - Wednesday

Otters - Thursday - please remember no Logos, plain white t-shirt if you don't have a coloured one.

Buzzards - Thursday

Bumble Bees (Beehive) - Monday

Honey Bees / Busy Bees (Beehive)- Monday

Dates to Remember



Please see the table for our updated and confirmed dates to remember including Sports Day and our Lion King performance

Monday	19 th June	Y2 Trip to Hengistbury head
Tuesday	20 th June	Y3 Trip to Roman Baths
Wednesday	21 st June	New intake (Year R in September) parents information meeting 6:30-7:30pm
Monday	26 th June	Year 6 Geography field trip - local area
Tuesday	27 th June	Year 5 Geography field trip - local area
Tuesday	27 th June	Y6 Melksham Oak transition day
Tuesday	27 th June	New intake (Year R in September) visits: Group A 9:30-10:30 Group B 11:00 - 12:00
Wednesday	28 th June	Year 5/6 - World War 2 Enrichment Day
Thursday	29 th June	Y5 Melksham Oak taster day (parents to arrange child to meet River Mead staff at Melksham Oak)
Monday	3 rd July	Sports Day (if raining, back up day - 17 th July) timings tbc
Tuesday	4 th July	New intake (Year R in September) visits: Group A 9:30-10:30 Group B 11:00 - 12:00
Wednesday	5 th July	Abbyfield Year 5 taster day (transport provided - leave River Mead 9am)
Wednesday	5 th July	Life Bus visiting - PSHE
Thursday	6 th July	
Friday	7 th July	
Monday	10 th July	Transition morning with new teachers/TAs (not RB)
Wednesday	12 th July	New intake (Year R in September) visits: All children 9:30-11:30
Wednesday	12 th July	Y6 Abbyfield transition day
Wednesday	12 th July	Y5 Sheldon taster day (parents to book places for child to attend)
Thursday	13 th July	Y4 field work - walk to library
Friday	14 th July	Summer Fair 3:30-5:30pm
Monday	17 th July	Parents/carers - meet your child's new teacher (Music Studio) 8:45-9:15 Mrs Udakis (year 2 to Year 3) 2:45-3:15 Miss Coates (Year R to Year 1) 2:45-3:15 Mrs Boddington (Miss Veitch) (Year 3 to Year 4) 8:45-9:15 Mrs Sones (Year 4 to Year 5) 8:45-9:15 Miss Bartlett (Year 1 to Year 2) 2:45-3:15 Miss Woods
Tuesday	18 th July	
Thursday	20 th July	
Friday	21 st July	
Friday	21 st July	
Tuesday	18 th July	Transition Day with new teachers/TA (not RB)
Wednesday	19 th July	Lion King dress rehearsal to EY/KS1 2pm
Wednesday	19 th July	New intake (Year R in September) teddy bears picnic 3:45-4:30pm
Thursday	20 th July	Lion King performance to KS2 & parents (siblings under 5 years) 2pm
Thursday	20 th July	Lion King Performance (no children under 5 years) 6:30pm
Monday	24 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 9:00am parents welcome
Monday	24 th July	Year 6 water fight and end of year celebration 3:30-5:00pm

What's on



MELKSHAM CRICKET CLUB YOUTH SESSIONS 2023

THURSDAYS KS1 5pm-6pm

SATURDAYS KS2 & KS3 10am-11am

REGISTRATION OF INTEREST NOW OPEN.

- SUITABLE FOR ALL ABILITIES
- PAY AS YOU PLAY OR BLOCK BOOK
- GIRLS/BOYS
- HARD/SOFT BALL SESSIONS
- ECB, DBS, FIRST AID TRAINED COACHES



Advanced coaching available for more information
please contact us.

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Wiltshire Children's Centres Spring 2023

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Baby Steps
Antenatal and postnatal sessions - referral by your midwife.

Baby Massage
For parents and their non-mobile babies. Join us for four weeks learning how to encourage bonding and communication through soothing touch.

Five to Thrive
Join us for five fun filled practical sessions where we can share ideas to develop the positive connection between you and your child.

New Parent New Baby
Come along to meet other parents with young babies (0-6 months) and share ideas for activities to enjoy with your baby. Six week programme.

Being a Parent
Helping parents learn practical skills for everyday life to bring up confident, happy and co-operative children. For parents with children two to five years.

Book Start & Early Words Together
Create a love of reading and support your child's speech and language development.

Ready to Start School
Find out how to support your child's journey to school.

Healthy Eating
A four week healthy eating course with lots of fun activities around healthy eating, budgeting and food safety. PLUS! Take home ingredients for a healthy meal.

Start here

For more information on any of our sessions or to book your space give us a call on 0800 970 4669



Check out what we are doing on social media

Our Spurgeons Wiltshire children's centres Facebook page is another way for families to stay up to date with current services. Or maybe you just want to take a peek at some of the videos we've made.

Simply click on the icons or scan the QR codes:



Support we offer

We are here to help with a whole range of topics including:

Ideas around implementing routines and setting boundaries.

Help to understand your child's needs and build your confidence as a parent.

Supporting parents to learn to communicate better with each other.

Help around finances, housing applications, debt support and accessing benefits.

Advice on local childcare and applying for funding.

Supporting you 'back to work'.

Introductions to other services.

We can help families access:

Breast pump loan

Baby Bundles

Food boxes

New Parent, New Baby programme

Healthy Start vitamins



Get in touch with us

If you have any questions or would like more information about our services please call us on one of our numbers below or check out our website:

Freephone:
0800 970 4669

email: wiltshirecc@spurgeons.org

Other useful numbers:
Health visitor - single point of access

0300 247 0090

National Breastfeeding helpline

0300 100 0212

FearLess (domestic abuse support service)

01225 775276

Wiltshire out of hours domestic abuse helpline

01225 712880

Click here to visit our website



<https://www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk>



Trowbridge Youth Parliament presents...

HEROES AND VILLAINS 2K FUN RUN

Trowbridge Park



Fancy Dress

Whether you run, jog or walk, join us in Trowbridge Park for a family-friendly 2K Fun Run, raising money for local charity Julian House.

Even if you're not signing up for the Fun Run, come along and explore a wide range of activities including...

Inflatables | Stalls | Refreshments | Games

10am-1pm
(9.45am warm up)



25th June



To take part you **MUST** register!
Scan here to sign up for **FREE**.

Tickets are free but donations to Julian House are welcome.
For more information visit: www.julianhouse.org.uk



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SUMMER FUN

ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OVER THE HOLIDAYS
AT WILTSHIRE MUSIC CENTRE

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	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	31 JUL	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Musical in a Week! (6-14 yrs)				
AUGUST	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Rock the Tots - Summer Party! (0-10 yrs)	Devising Drama Course (7-12 yrs)	Fidgety Feet Dance and Drama Workshop (18 months-6 yrs)	Little Picoles Summer Workshop (3 weeks-9 yrs)	Frozen Dance Party (3-7 yrs)		
			Fly Like a Bird Story Telling Workshop (6-10 yrs)	Beautiful Bunting Art Workshop (5-9 yrs)	Celebrate the Sun Art Workshop (5-9 yrs)		
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	LEGO Animation Workshop (1-12 yrs)		LEGO Animation Workshop (1-12 yrs)		Showsoppers! Intensive Musical Theatre Workshop (12-20 yrs)		
			Sing Your Head Off Singing Day (7-14 yrs)				

Look out for our symbol series to help you plan your visit!

Dress for movement
 Bring a packed lunch
 Supervision required
 Baby changing facilities available

*Supervision required.



MON 31 JUL - FRI 4 AUG 9AM - 3PM
MUSICAL IN A WEEK!
Five days jam-packed with singing, acting, and dancing, to rehearse a brand new show-stopping musical to perform to friends and family on the final day with costumes and props.
4-14 yrs: £140 child

MON 7 AUG 11AM - 12PM
ROCK THE TOTS - SUMMER PARTY!
Sit, stand, sway or headbang - there's only one rule... have fun! Covers of the best summer pop and rock songs, with puppets, bubbles and more. A great gig for all the family, guaranteed to leave you filled with sunshine!
6 months - 10 yrs: £8 per child / £8 per adult *

MON 7 AUG - WED 9 AUG 10AM - 3PM
DEVISING DRAMA
Develop skills, build confidence and make new friends. Together you'll devise and create your own play in just three days.
7-11 yrs: £70 child

TUES 8 AUG 10AM - 10.50AM
FIDGETY FEET DANCE AND DRAMA
Join Fidgety Feet for a magical adventure with all of your favourite fairy tale characters!
18 months - 6 yrs: £7 child / £3 adult *

WED 9 AUG 10AM - 10.50PM
FIDGETY FEET DANCE AND DRAMA
Join Fidgety Feet for a magical adventure with all of your favourite fairy tale characters!
18 months - 6 yrs: £7 child / £3 adult *

WED 9 AUG 10.30AM - 12.30PM
FLY LIKE A BIRD! STORY TELLING WORKSHOP
Write to the sound of the drum chorus and make flying objects. Dramatic 'Can't Fall from the Sun' and bring music down from Heaven with the help of Quetzalcoatl the feathered serpent. Fulfill your dreams and Fly Like a Bird - listen to Michael's stories, then act and tell your own in this storytelling workshop!
5-7 yrs: £10 child

WED 9 AUG 1.30PM - 3.30PM
FLY LIKE A BIRD! STORY TELLING WORKSHOP
(see above)
8-10 yrs: £10 child

THU 10 AUG 10AM - 10.45AM
LITTLE PICOLOS SUMMER WORKSHOP
A fun mixed class introducing the fundamentals of music to babies and young children. Join the Little Picoles team this summer for a workshop based on the Kodaly method, introducing dynamics, tempo and rhythm using Italian terms, and musical notation. Expect original songs, instruments, moving to music, props, puppets and more!
3 months - 5 yrs: £8 child (E4 sibling discount) with code SIBDISC at checkout *

THU 10 AUG 10AM - 12PM
BEAUTIFUL BUNTING ART WORKSHOP
Design and create a string of summer bunting flags using a variety of techniques and materials, such as paint and felt.
5-9 yrs: £12 child / £3 adult *

FRI 11 AUG 10AM - 12PM
CELEBRATE THE SUN ART WORKSHOP
Design and create as we explore the colours of the sun with 'sunny' art and create a sun mask.
5-9 yrs: £12 child / £3 adult *

FROZEN DAY

FRI 11 AUG 10AM - 10.45AM
FROZEN DANCE PARTY
Join Pop About Dance for a spectacular Frozen dance party, where you'll become like the characters from the film! Whether you prefer princesses as a princess, wearing like a snowman or rocking out like a reindeer, a fabulously fun time is guaranteed for all!
2-4 yrs: £7 child *

FRI 11 AUG 11AM - 11.45AM
FROZEN DANCE PARTY
(see above)
5-7 yrs: £7 child *

FRI 11 AUG 12.30PM - 2.30PM
SCREENING: FROZEN 1
£5 child / £5 adult / Under 2's Free

LEGO DAY

MON 14 AUG 10AM - 2PM
LEGO ANIMATION WORKSHOP
Have you ever wanted to produce your own animated film? With professional film director Jamie McCrewe you will learn the skills of stop frame animation, with lots of hands on activities, and even get to plan and produce your own animation!
Stay with us after this workshop for a screening of The LEGO Movie in our Auditorium at 2.30pm.
7-12 yrs: £25 child



MON 14 AUG 2.30PM - 4.30PM
SCREENING: THE LEGO MOVIE
£5 child / £5 adult / Under 2's Free

WED 16 AUG 10AM - 3PM
SING YOUR HEAD OFF SINGING DAY
Come and sing your head off this summer and learn new warm-ups and songs. From choirs to Disney, and jazz to musical theatre, there's something for everyone to enjoy!
7-14 yrs: £25 child

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7-12 yrs: £25 child

THU 17 AUG - FRI 18 AUG 10AM - 4PM
SHOWSTOPPERS! INTENSIVE MUSICAL THEATRE WORKSHOP
Do you love musicals such as Six, Hamilton, and West Side Story? Do you want to perform some of the best musical numbers from these shows, complete with awesome harmony singing, dance routines and costumes? Then this two-day intensive course is for you! Learn the vocals, acting and dance routines, then perform our 'Showsoppers' to an audience on stage in full costume.
7-12 yrs: £65 child

COMING SOON... THE MUSEUM OF MARVELLOUS THINGS

FAMILY CONCERT

SUN 18 NOV 3PM

This magical family show brings picture book to life. Discover stars in jars, catch moths like balloons, dance with Doo-Dahs in cages and sing with Koo-Nahs on stages - The Museum of Marvellous Things is made from the magic of your imagination. With giant puppets, songs, interactive storytelling, live original music and a chance to make your own special puppet, this fun-filled family show is based on the picture book by presenter Kristina Stephenson, bestselling author and illustrator of Sir Charlie Stinky Socks.
£12 adults / £7 U18s + students (inc. £2 booking fee)



BOOKING INFORMATION

BOOK NOW 01225 860 100
www.wiltshiremusic.org.uk
For more information contact
creativelearning@wiltshiremusic.org.uk
Parental / guardian consent forms for children and young people participating in these activities must be completed prior to the event.
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HOW TO FIND US:



WILTSHIRE MUSIC CENTRE
Ashley Road, Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire, BA15 1DZ
The Centre is located on the Bath side of Bradford on Avon, and is clearly sign-posted (brown panel signs) on all roads.
Parking is free on site. Additional / disabled blue badge holders parking is available off Winsley Road / Churches. Please respect our neighbours and park responsibly.
Bradford on Avon Railway Station is a 20 minute (uphill) walk or short taxi ride away: get.co.uk
Bradford on Avon Taxis is located in the Railway Station car park: 01225 862 277
Bus Route D1 (Bath - Warminster) stops close to the Centre; ask for the Churches stop on Winsley Road and then follow directional signs: firstbus.co.uk

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BIG FAMILY MUSIC DAY

SAT 24 JUNE 10AM – 3.30PM
AT WILTSHIRE MUSIC CENTRE
BRADFORD ON AVON

- Sing and play new instruments
- Watch live performances
- Make your own instruments
- Face painting, food and drink
- Bring a picnic!

£6 / £3 U18

FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

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ACTIVE FESTIVAL

FREE ADMISSION
SATURDAY 8TH JULY 2023
11AM - 4PM
TROWBRIDGE PARK

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KIDS SUMMER CAMPS

ALL STARS AND
DYNAMOS SUMMER
CAMPS FOR BOYS &
GIRLS 5-11 YEARS OLD



Camp 1
26/27 JULY
WARMINSTER CC

Camp 2
31 JULY/1 AUG
SWINDON CC

Camp 3
2/3 AUGUST
WINTERBOURNE CC

Camp 4
7/8 AUGUST
TROWBRIDGE CC
GIRLS ONLY
FREE!!!

Camp 5
9/10 AUGUST
MARLBOROUGH CC

Activities

- ✓ Great intro to the game
- ✓ Games and Drills
- ✓ Teamwork and communication
- ✓ Spirit of Cricket
- ✓ Clothing when you register

Registration Links

www.wiltshirecricket.co.uk

More Information ali.goddard@wiltshirecricket.co.uk



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FROM 9AM - 3PM

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Yoga and Tag Rugby. All sessions are
led by specialist coaches with years of
experience. These run alongside our
multi-sport camps!

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Keeping your children safe online over the holidays

Summer holidays – Parents guide to help keep children safe online

School's out for summer!

It's always best to be prepared

During the summer holidays, without the distraction of school, internet usage for many young people can increase all the way up to September. This guide is designed to help parents with a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games. Please click on each image below for more information.



A Parent's Guide to Social Media **A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures** **A Parent's Guide to Gaming** **A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming**

A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming **A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers** **A Parent's Guide to Fake News** **A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings**

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school if you would like to attend a parents internet safety workshop or have any concerns.

Schools please [contact us](#) if you would like a SKIPS Safety Net session delivered to your parent groups or staff.

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Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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Keeping children safe online

Year 5 Melksham Oak Taster Day

All pupils in Year 5 have been invited to attend Melksham Oak Community School on Thursday 29th June for a taster day. Emails have been sent to all guardians for pupils in Year 5 with the relevant information and a copy of the letter from Melksham Oak. Please let the school office know should you not have received this, or you require any further information. Thank you.

Year 5 Abbeyfield School Taster Day - Cancelled

As per an email sent earlier this week, unfortunately the Abbeyfield Taster Day is no longer taking place on Wednesday 5th July. All children will need to attend River Mead School as normal. Thank you.

St Augustine's Year 5 Taster Day & Admissions Information

Year 5 Taster Day

We still have some availability on our taster days. Should you wish to attend please email admissions@sta.cc with the following details:

Date you wish to attend (26/28/30 June)

Current school

Parental contact

Email of parent

Phone number of parent

Photo consent

Any further information we may need

Admissions

St Augustine's are really looking forward to welcoming their new cohort this summer for their induction days, to get them ready for September.

A few spaces have unexpectedly become available, and they would be delighted to consider further applications to join their Year 7 this September. If you are interested, please contact them directly as soon as possible on admissions@sta.cc and 01225 350001 ext. 242. Or you can apply direct to Wiltshire Council.

Hardenhuish School Open Evening and Open Week for Year 5 pupils



Sheldon School Open Evenings

A purple poster for Sheldon School Open Evenings. The left side contains text about the dates and times of the events, while the right side features a photograph of two smiling students in school uniforms standing in front of a pink flowering tree. The school's name and crest are at the bottom right.

**OPEN
EVENING**

JUNE 2023

26th Open Morning

27th Open Morning

28th Open Evening
Starting at 6pm

For current Year 5s (those starting secondary school in September 2024).
Please book via: visit@sheldonschool.co.uk
or call: 01249 766020

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