

Dear Parents/Guardians

Please find attached a list of Free Summer Events around Birmingham you can do with your children and families.

Birmingham Beach and Digbeth Funfair 2023

The Birmingham Beach and Digbeth Funfair will take place at the Smithfield Festival Site on Pershore Street in 2023. The fair is underway until August 29th, lasting the duration of the school holidays. There's going to be a number of water slides and water pools, sand, and hopefully, some sun too!

Birmingham Festival 2023

From July 28 to August 6, Centenary Square will be hosting Birmingham Festival 2023 to celebrate Commonwealth Games legacy. There will be live acts, fun activities, and big screen entertainment. The summer of live music, dance and performance will bring big names like Apache Indian, renowned opera singer Abigail Kelly, Qawwali music, Girl Grind UK, and so much more. There will be a regular morning slot hosted by Commonwealth Games Mascot Perry and you can enjoy power hour every evening at 6pm with fun workouts and easy-to-follow classes.

Thinktank Birmingham Science Museum, Millenium Point

Entry to the Science Garden is free after 3pm every day. From science experiments to rides, there's much to explore at this garden.

Learn fishing in Sparkbrook

The Canal & River Trust will host several lessons for those who want to learn to fish. A team of professionally qualified and licensed angling coaches will be teaching free of cost. It's open to people of all ages. It takes place at Grand Union Canal, Ackers Adventure Golden Hillock Road, Sparkbrook on July 28, August 2 and 9. The event starts at 9.30am and ends at 4pm.

Art gallery

The gallery is showcasing artworks made by pupils from thirteen Birmingham primary schools during Spring/Summer 2023, as part of Creative Connections. It will go on until July 30th.

Northfield and Kings Norton beaches.

The annual beaches at Northfield and Kings Norton returns in 2023 for the summer holidays. It will take place in Northfield from July 26th-30th and Kings Norton from August 9th-13th. There's going to be live performances, activities and loads of food stalls to have fun with your family.

Soho House, Birmingham

On Saturday, August 12, experience the magic of dance during South Asian Heritage Month by joining artist Shreya Vadnerkar from Akademi for an exciting and welcoming dance workshop. The workshops are free to attend and will take place at 11am, 12.30pm, and 2pm, with no booking required.

Activities in Sandwell Valley

Adventure playground in Sandwell Valley Country Park includes climbing nets, a rope bridge, an eight metre high tower with a slide, swings, a dragon roundabout, a suspension bridge, a play tractor and trailer and timber sculptures - plus a picnic area and sandpit. The playground has equipment which is suitable for 5-year-olds to 13-year-olds. It's open every day and is free to use.

Bring it on Brum! – Holiday Activities and Food – www.bringitonbrum.co.uk

Bring It On Brum invites youngsters who are eligible for free school meals to take part in free fitness, sports, arts and crafts and music workshops in leisure centres, youth services, schools, childcare settings and church groups. Find out more and book your child's place via the [Bring It On Brum](#) website.

Summer at Forge Mill Farm

Forge Mill Farm is planning a whole summer of fun with a different theme each week. There's Farmyard Bingo, a chance to meet the farmers and their new additions and check out the tractors!

There's also pizza days, activities and crafts plus a new play area ready to explore. Kids can enjoy playing in the hay bale adventure zone too. And be sure to check out the newly-refurbished Forge Mill Farm Wagon to try out some real fruit ice cream and tasty treats. Find out more and book tickets via the [Visit Sandwell](#) website.

Sunflowers of Sandwell

Sunflowers of Sandwell will be back for two weeks in August this year. The exact dates cannot be confirmed until closer to the time but it will definitely be a fortnight between August 1 and 31.

Taking place at Forge Mill Farm, this is a lovely opportunity to explore the Sandwell's sunflower fields, take photos and pick your own sunflowers to take home. There will also be handmade wood fired pizza which you can eat alfresco plus a new bar where you can grab a cold drink.

Whilst at the farm, you can meet all the animals, complete the farm trail and the kids can burn off some energy in the bale adventure zone. There's also a gift shop too. Find out more and book via the [Visit Sandwell](#) website

Sandwell Big Movie Weekend

There's a weekend of outdoor cinema at Sandwell Valley Showground happening this summer. On Saturday August 19 and Sunday August 20, there will be evening performances and a family matinee with singalong fun and food too.

Just so Festival

A magical family festival that happens every August that's around an hour from Birmingham. [Just So Festival](#) is all about families making memories together in the great outdoors whilst enjoying music, theatre and storytelling. You get to indulge in midnight feasts, campfire singing, hidden retreats, a traditional sports day and a kitsch silent disco.

Taking place from Friday August 18 to Sunday August 20, the idea is that parents get involved in the mischief and mayhem rather than sitting watching their kids have all the fun! Set in the grounds of Rode Hall near Stoke on Trent, the intimate festival is mapped out into glades with intriguing names like Marauder's Cove, Spellbound Forest, Shangri-La and Peekaboo. Find out more and book tickets via the [Just So Festival](#) website. Brummie Mummies has partnered with the Just So Festival.

Martineau Garden

Birmingham's 'hidden oasis' is open to visitors from 10am to 4pm Monday to Saturday. Admission is free (except for special events).

There's a Stick Man self-guided trail available. You can pick up a pack on arrival

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MONDAY 22ND JULY
CHINNBROOK CENTRE

TUESDAY 23RD JULY
BENSON COMMUNITY HUB

WEDNESDAY 24TH JULY
HANDSWORTH BAPTIST CHURCH

FRIDAY 26TH JULY
OPTIMA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES 2024
@ BIRCHFIELD LIBRARY

Tuesday 16 July
9.30am-11.00am
STAY & PLAY
Suitable for children of ages 0-5

Saturday 27 July
2.15pm-3.15pm
Decorate Your Own Unique Animal Key Ring
Suitable for children of ages 5-11

Tues 30 July - 11.30am-12.30pm
Thurs 15 Aug - 11.30am-12.30pm
EXPLORE LEARNING
Crafts with Maths - Activities Centred Around Mathematical Markets
Suitable for children of ages 5-11

Saturday 3 August
2.15pm-3.15pm
BEE CREATIVE: Decorate Your Own Mask
Suitable for children of ages 5-11

Summer Reading Challenge 2024
Delivered in partnership with libraries

Saturday 10 August
2.15pm-3.15pm
CREATE YOUR OWN FUN SPINNERS
Kids Zone

Saturday 17 August
TREASURE HUNT
ALL DAY FUN
Suitable for children of all ages

ARTS THERAPIES UK - FREE Art Workshops
at Birchfield Library on:

Tue: 23/07/24 - 9.30am-12.30pm
 Thur: 01/08/24 - 10.00am-1.00pm
 Tue: 06/08/24 - 9.30am-12.30pm
 Tue: 13/08/24 - 9.30am-12.30pm

A free meal will be provided for children who have free meals at school (please ask your school for the HAF voucher code & provide it when registering).
 Limited spaces will be available for children who do not receive free meals and do not require a free meal.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Children with disabilities are welcome at library events

It's fun! It's free! It's local

For more information about Summer Activities
Please visit a member of staff.

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

FORGE MILL FARM

HAF at Forge Mill Farm
A different theme each week!

22nd - 26th July Forest Adventure
 2nd August - The Great Outdoor Challenge
 9th August - Farmer Ranger for a day
 12th - 16th August - Stop Motion Media
 19th - 23rd August - Camp out Education
 27th - 30th August - Free Farm Fun

Book your FREE space here...
holidayactivities.sandwell.gov.uk/

Sandwell Holiday Activities



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2024



moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

LAS IGUANAS

Join 'My Las Iguanas' via the App & Niños eat free with every adult main

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase an adult's main meal (App needed)

PUREZZA

Children under the age of 10 get free pizza at Purezza with every adult meal purchased

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

TESCO CAFES

1 Free Kids meal with every 60p Spend. Available from July 1st Scotland and NI - from July 22nd England & Wales

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

YO! SUSHI

From Monday 1st July - Friday 30th August 2024, kids eat free all day Mondays to Fridays at YO! Sushi (min adult spend £10).

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

COCONUT TREE

One child (aged 10 and under) eats free per paying adult. Valid Daily, 12pm - 6pm from Monday 22nd July to Friday 6th Sept 2024.

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

TABLE TABLE

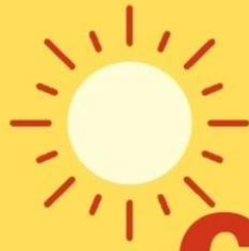
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HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



CAN YOU COMPLETE THE 16 CHALLENGES IN THE HOLIDAYS?

NAME: _____

SCHOOL: _____

Who?

Read a book to someone younger than you

Read a book by an author you've not read before

Read an author's first book

Read a book by an author from a different country

What?

Start a brand new series of books

Read a comic / graphic novel

Read a poetry collection

Read a book that a film/TV show is based on

When?

Read a book set in the past

Read a book set in the future

Read a book before bedtime

Read a book when you first wake up

Where?

Read a book set in another country

Read a book that is set in a school

Read a book in a reading den

Read a book on a beach

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