

# Fun in Brum

## Spring Half-Term

16th - 24th February 2013



Produced by the Family Information Service

# Fun in Brum - Spring Half-Term 2013

Welcome to the latest edition of Fun In Brum for Spring Half-term 2013 produced by the Family Information Service (FIS). We hope you find the information useful. There are loads of exciting things to do for all the family and some of them are totally free. We have added contact details of Birmingham Libraries which often run activities during school holidays.

The activities are listed in date order.

## Fun for All

This edition contains a wide range of activities including some for disabled children and young people up to the age of 19 in some cases. When we have been told that an activity or event is inclusive we have added the following text - If your child or young person has a disability, please call the organisation for further information. Whilst we have been assured these activities are inclusive we would always recommend that you call ahead to discuss your child's needs to ensure they are able to meet them.

Please note that some activities are only available to children and young people living in specific areas. Please contact activity organisers to check availability.

We also produce the Birmingham for Families - a directory of services that provide activities for children and family support. If you are interested in the FREE directory you can call our helpline or email us and we will be happy to add you to our mailing list. Call 0121 303 3521 or email: [familyinformation@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:familyinformation@birmingham.gov.uk).

## **Safeguarding Statement**

This list of events has been compiled by the Family Information Service for information only. It is up to the parent/carer to decide what is most appropriate for their child. Please note that the events listed in this booklet are organised by third parties and neither the Family Information Service or Birmingham City Council take responsibility if any of these events are cancelled or changed.

Please note the information has been gathered to support parents/carers in accessing activities for children and that Birmingham City Council does not in any way recommend or endorse any of the organisations other than services directly delivered by the council.

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to carry out their own checks and to feel completely satisfied with the safety of their child and the quality of the service offered.

## **Build a Bird Feeder**

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Come along and join the Park Rangers to make your own bird feeder to take home. Meet at the Rangers Office.

**16/02/2013** -

SAT 11:00 - 12:30 Event also running at 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Family Event

**Cost Details:** Cost per bird feeder: £1.50

**Address:** Edgbaston Reservoir, The Ranger'S Lodge, 115  
Reservoir Road, Birmingham B16 9EE

**Telephone:** 0121 454 1908

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/reservoir](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/reservoir)

### **Other Information:**

Advance bookings only.

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## **Cannon Hill Park Friends Group Festival Open Day**

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There will be a wide variety of information on display, as well as schools photo competition sponsored by SCCB College and Park Friends.

**16/02/2013 - 23/02/2013**

SAT 10:00 - 14:00

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Cost Details:** £1 for materials.

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

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## **Baby and Toddler Art Group**

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Come and explore a mixture of art techniques and sound with your babies and toddlers. Together we will mix art and play to discover and create in a stimulating and friendly environment.

**16/02/2013 - 23/02/2013**

SAT 14:00 - 14:45 Ends the following Saturday.

**Age Range:** 0 - 2 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £6 for one adult and one child (£4.50 for each additional child).

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Children must be accompanied with an adult.

Contact mac birmingham.

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## **Build a Bird Box**

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Come along and join the Park Rangers to build a bird box to take home.

**17/02/2013** -

SUN 11:00 - 12:30 Event also running at 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Family Event

**Cost Details:** Cost per bird box: £3.00

**Address:** Edgbaston Reservoir, The Ranger'S Lodge, 115  
Reservoir Road, Birmingham B16 9EE

**Telephone:** 0121 454 1908

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/reservoir](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/reservoir)

### **Other Information:**

All materials provided. Bookings in advance only.

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## **Flood River Walk**

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Enjoy a walk with Friends and Rea Valley Conservation Group from MAC to Ten Acres, Stirchley along old and new River courses.

**17/02/2013** -

SUN 10:30 - 16:00

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Notes on Friends Website, supported by OPAL WM , &  
River Rea Heritage Trail.

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

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## **72 hour Film Challenge**

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A fast paced film challenge in which you will learn film based skills and techniques whilst creating a short film in 3 days. After production the film will be shown in the cinema. Screening to be confirmed.

This activity is suitable for beginners/improvers.

**18/02/2013 - 20/02/2013**

MON 11:00 - 16:00 Sessions begin Monday and end Wednesday at the same time each day.

**Age Range:** 12 - 17 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £30

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Please telephone to book.

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## **Lakeside Stay and Play**

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Various activities taking place including water play, painting and crafts.

**18/02/2013** -

MON 9:30 - 11:00

**Cost Details:** Free

**Address:** Story Wood Children'S Centre, Story Wood  
Children'S Centre, Hastings Road, Birmingham  
B23 5AJ

**Telephone:** 0121 675 2183

**Website:** [www.thebrambles.childrencentre.org](http://www.thebrambles.childrencentre.org)

### **Other Information:**

Booking is essential.

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## **Make and Take Craft**

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Get creative with our hands-on crafty session and take home your own masterpiece.

**18/02/2013** -

MON 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the Activity Zone.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.00 per child

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times.

Contact: Sarah Walker on 0121 464 5056 or email [sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk).

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## Market Up

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Join in with this very special interactive workshop all about our exhibition revealed and turn yourself into a living piece of art. Four stalls offer a creative way to navigate your way around the exhibition through dressing up, quizzes, storytelling and games based on the 200+ art works on display.

**18/02/2013** -

MON 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the AV Room.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.50 per child

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times.

Contact: Sarah Walker on 0121 464 5056 or email [sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk).

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## **Whizz Kids Holiday Sessions**

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An instructed 1.5 hours lesson in one of the following - skiing, climbing, canoeing or archery.

**18/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

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**Age Range:** 8 - 16 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £8 per session

**Address:** Ackers Adventure, , Golden Hillock Road,  
Birmingham B11 2PY

**Telephone:** 0121 772 5111

**Email:** [info@ackers-adventure.co.uk](mailto:info@ackers-adventure.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.ackers-adventure.co.uk](http://www.ackers-adventure.co.uk)

### **Other Information:**

Various 1.5 hours activity sessions - please call for times running. Advance booking is essential. As all activities are outdoors please wear appropriate clothing. Gloves are required for skiing and a change of clothes for canoeing.

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## **Amplify the Map Trail**

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Explore the main park features with guides and help Park Friends create an interactive visitor trail for use with 'Amplify the Map' trails online. See [www.cannonhillpeoplespark.net](http://www.cannonhillpeoplespark.net) Heritage features map.

**18/02/2013** -

MON 12:30 - 14:00

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** [Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com)

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## **The Big Cardboard Theatre Workshop**

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Watch a drama production from the Big Cardboard Theatre (BCT) company, then join a workshop to make your own cardboard characters and puppet theatre play.

**18/02/2013** -

MON 10:00 - 11:30

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Cost Details:** £1 for materials.

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

This is a family event. Children must be accompanied with an adult.

There are only 10 places available.

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

## **Windchime Making Workshop**

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Join in the fun with windchime making on Park Bandstand.

**18/02/2013** -

MON 10:00 - 11:30

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Children must be accompanied with an adult.

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com)

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## **Short Breaks for Disabled Children and Families**

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Short one-night activity break in the outdoors, for all the family. Fully-catered stay in dormitory-style accommodation. Activities may include: climbing, archery, bikes/trikes, low ropes, treasure hunt, woodland and pond exploration, night walk and campfire.

### **Event Details:**

Mon 18th to Tue 19th - 1st day (overnight stay)

Wed 20th to Thur 21st - 2nd day (overnight stay)

Families should bring suitable outdoor clothes and footwear, but we can also lend out outdoor clothing/wellies.

**18/02/2013 - 21/02/2013**

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Any age up to 18 years

### **Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**There is a range of activities that are suitable for children with disabilities.**

**Cost Details:** £15 per person

**Address:** Birmingham Outdoor Learning Service - Bell Heath, Bell Heath Study Centre, Quntry Lane, Belbroughton DY9 9UU

**Telephone:** 01562 710 227

**Email:** jez.d.britten@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.outdoorlearningbham.org.uk](http://www.outdoorlearningbham.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

Families have to make a provisional booking over the phone or by email. Confirmation forms will be sent to families, who then have one week from receiving the forms to send the completed forms back with payment. Contribution payment can be made by cheque or postal order.

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## **Heritage Friends Hub Workshop**

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There will be a variety of activities. This workshop is by invitation only.

**18/02/2013** -

MON 14:30 - 16:00

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

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## Half Term Adventure

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Various free craft and sporting activities and other events including fantastic magic show with Jilly Jelly Bean for children visiting our indoor adventure play and party centre.

**18/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

MON 9:30 - 18:30

Up to 11 years (and no taller than 4ft 10" or 147cm)

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** Free with admission (£4.40 under 5's and £4.90 5's and over).

**Address:** Hickory Dickory'S Playhouse, Unit 3, Findlay Road, Birmingham B14 7SN

**Telephone:** 0121 443 3939

**Email:** [info@hickorydickorys.co.uk](mailto:info@hickorydickorys.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.hickorydickorys.co.uk](http://www.hickorydickorys.co.uk)

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## **Multi Sports Camp**

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Half Term Multi Sports Camp with trophies.

**18/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

ALL 9:00 - 15:15 Monday to Friday

**Age Range:** 4 - 12 years

**Cost Details:** 6 - 12 year old = £45.00 per week  
4 - 5 year olds = £25.00 per week.

**Address:** Steps 2 Sport, Turves Green Girls School Leisure  
Centre, Turves Green, Birmingham B31 4BP

**Email:** [steps2sport@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:steps2sport@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Other Information:**

Contact Stephen Moriss on 07736 731 811.

Please bring a packed lunch.

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## **Straight Up Community Arts**

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Music activities for children and young people with ASD/Learning Difficulties or Challenging Behaviour as a result of an impairment.

**18/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

MON 10:00 - 14:00

**Age Range:** 6 - 18 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** FREE

**Telephone:** 07795 077 110

**Other Information:**

Please bring a packed lunch and enough drinks each day.

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## **Get into Fishing**

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Fishing is fun. It gives you the chance to learn new skills, have the excitement of catching fish and to enjoy the outdoors.

Designed for the novice or those who want to further their skills and knowledge.

**18/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

MON 10:00 - 14:00 Running from 10am - 2pm Monday to Friday.

**Age Range:** -

Children under 8 need to be accompanied by an adult.

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**This event is suitable for all children including those with disabilities.**

**Cost Details:** £15 per day

**Address:** Alvechurch Fisheries, , Bittell Road, Barnt Green  
B45 8BW

**Telephone:** 0121 475 2288

**Other Information:**

There is a cafe on site, but some prefer to bring their own food & drinks.

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## **Strokes Learn To Swim**

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Learn to swim programme for 3-15 year olds. Different ability classes available from beginners to advance. Group lessons and one-to-one sessions available.

**18/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

**Age Range:** 3 - 15 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** Cost varies - call for details.

**Address:** Wyndley Leisure Centre, , Clifton Road, Sutton Coldfield B73 6EB

**Telephone:** 0121 464 7743

**Email:** [wyndley.lc@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:wyndley.lc@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/leisure](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/leisure)

**Other Information:**

All swimming equipment provided. Please bring your swimwear and towel. Sessions running at various times from 9am until 12pm. Please call for details.

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## mac Explorers

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Is your child just bursting with imagination and energy? Here's a way to get them involved in loads of different creative activities over the half term week.

Every day sessions will be running using different art forms. Children can attend just one session, or as many as they like. Why not attend all week and take advantage of the offer to buy 5 sessions for the price of 4? The sessions will be as follows:

Mon - Painting, Tues - Drawing, Wed - animation  
Thurs - Drama, Fri - Sculpture.

**18/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

ALL 10:00 - 15:00 Running from 10am to 3pm Monday to Friday.

**Age Range:** 6 - 11 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £10 per day

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham  
B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Please bring a packed lunch.

Please telephone to book.



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## **Creative Families Festival**

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An arts festival for families in the Sparkbrook/Sparkhill locality, offering a range of exciting arts activities across three days. Includes art, music, dance, theatre, light shows, animation, pottery, poetry, books and digital arts.

**19/02/2013 - 21/02/2013**

TUE 10:00 - 15:00 Running from Tuesday to Thursday.

**Cost Details:** Day Tickets:  
Adults : £1.00  
Children : 50p  
Tickets are only available from Springfield Children's Centre.  
Contact Sarah Robbins for tickets.

**Address:** Springfield Children'S Centre, , Springfield Centre,  
Springfield Road, Birmingham B13 9NY

**Telephone:** 0121-777 2722

### **Other Information:**

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring a packed lunch. The festival is for the whole family.

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## **T-Shirt Making Workshop**

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Join the workshop group to design, print and assemble your own interactive techno-shirt to amaze your friends and family.

**19/02/2013** -

TUE 10:00 - 11:30 10 places available.

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

With accompanying adults.

**Cost Details:** £1 for materials

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

This is a Family Programme.

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

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## **Create a Mini-Garden Herb Tray**

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Create and sow your own Mini-Garden Herb Tray with Change Kitchen. Learn about herbs and choose seeds to plant and grow at home. Make some healthy take-away dough for baking or pizza and participate in our topping taste quiz.

**19/02/2013** -

TUE 12:30 - 14:00 10 places available

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

With accompanying adults.

**Cost Details:** £1 for materials

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

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## **Dirty Beasts**

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Come along to hear stories about animals with yucky mucky manners and nasty habits. Create your very own Dirty Beast.

**19/02/2013** -

TUE 14:15 - 15:15

**Age Range:** 5 - 11 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**We have a range of activities that are suitable for children with disabilities.**

**Cost Details:** FREE

**Address:** Hall Green Library, , 1221 Stratford Road,  
Birmingham B28 9AD

**Telephone:** 0121 464 6633

**Email:** [hall.green.library@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:hall.green.library@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/hallgreenlibrary](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/hallgreenlibrary)

**Other Information:**

Contact Margaret Hunt.

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## **Animalmania**

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The very popular creatures from Animalmania are back to visit the museum - what amazing animals will you meet today?

**19/02/2013** -

TUE 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the Learning Zone.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.50 per person (adults and children)

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times. If animals are present, every animal may not be available for the whole day and a lunch break will be taken.

Contact: Sarah Walker on 0121 464 5056 or email [sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk).

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## **Amazing Animal Crafts**

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Create your very own amazing animal mask and transform yourself into a weird and wonderful creature.

**19/02/2013** -

TUE 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the Activity Zone.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.00 per child

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times.

Contact: Sarah Walker on 0121 464 5056 or email [sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk).

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## **Mere Green Library Half Term Activity**

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Join us for stories and craft.

**19/02/2013** -

MON 14:00 - 14:45

**Age Range:** 5 - 11 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** FREE

**Address:** Mere Green Library, , 30A Mere Green Road,  
Sutton Coldfield B75 5BT

**Telephone:** 0121 464 4592

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/meregreenlibrary](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/meregreenlibrary)

**Other Information:**

Booking is essential. Places are limited.

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## Family Textiles

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As a family, work together to explore techniques such as batik, screen printing, felt making and embroidery and create pieces of art to share at home.

This activity is

**19/02/2013** -

TUE 10:00 - 15:00

**Age Range:** 6 - 11 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £12.50 for one adult and one child (£7.50 for each additional person).

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Please bring a packed lunch.

Contact mac birmingham.

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## **Edgbaston Mini-Beast Hotel**

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Come and help the Park Rangers build a giant mini beast habitat to install on site. Meet at the Rangers Office.

**20/02/2013** -

WED 12:00 - 15:00

Family Event

**Cost Details:** Free

**Address:** Edgbaston Reservoir, The Ranger'S Lodge, 115  
Reservoir Road, Birmingham B16 9EE

**Telephone:** 0121 454 1908

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/reservoir](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/reservoir)

### **Other Information:**

Wear suitable clothing. Please book in advance.

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## **Staffordshire Hoard Day**

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Meet some Anglo-Saxons, try out real life scientific techniques with our experts and find out lots more during this special day dedicated to the mysterious Staffordshire Hoard.

**20/02/2013** -

WED 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the Learning Zone.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.50 per child for some activities, displays free.

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times.

Contact: Sarah Walker on 0121 464 5056 or email [sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk).

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## Family Pottery

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Explore the world of clay together learning all about the different hand building techniques and exciting ways to decorate your clay work. You can learn the basics or if you have more experience, work on your own project with support from the Artist Tutor.

This activity is suitable for all the family.

**20/02/2013** -

WED 10:00 - 15:00

**Age Range:** 6 - 11 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £12.50 for one adult and one child (£7.50 for each additional person).

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Contact mac birmingham.

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## **Sennelleys Park Locality Fun Day**

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Startwell promotion - cooking, physical activities, games, freebies and information to take away.

**20/02/2013** -

WED 11:00 - 14:00

Under 5's

### **Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £1.00 per family

**Address:** Shenley Fields Centre, , Far Wood Road,  
Birmingham B31 1BS

**Telephone:** 0121 675 3065

**Email:** enquiry@shnlyfld.bham.sch.uk

### **Other Information:**

Refreshments and healthy snacks available.

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## **Make My Play - Inclusive Play Workshop**

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An inclusive performance and puppet theatre workshop for children with special needs and their families.

**20/02/2013** -

WED 10:00 - 11:30

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**This event is suitable for children with disabilities.**

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

**Other Information:**

This is a family event.

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

## **Inclusive Toy-Making Workshop**

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Family workshop using recycled materials to make interactive toys. Suitable for all abilities.

**20/02/2013** -

WED 12:30 - 14:00

Family Event

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**This event is suitable for children with disabilities.**

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**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

**Other Information:**

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

## **Your Paintings Workshop**

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Be inspired by our celebration of some very special paintings and let artist Janice Rider help you to create your own work to take home.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the Activity Zone.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.50 per child

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times.

Contact: Sarah Walker on 0121 464 5056 or email [sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk).

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## Half Term Fun

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Fun, book-related activity.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 11:00 - 12:00

Children under 7 years

### **Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** Free

**Address:** Walmley Library, , Walmley Road, Sutton  
Coldfield B76 1NP

**Telephone:** 0121 464 1842

**Email:** [walmley.library@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:walmley.library@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/walmleylibrary](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/walmleylibrary)

### **Other Information:**

Numbers are limited to 15 children only - early booking advised.

Tickets are available from Thursday 7th February 2013.

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## **Puppet Fun Play Scheme**

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Puppet making and puppet show, making pancakes and hot cross buns. Lent stories and sports.

**21/02/2013 - 22/02/2013**

THU 10:00 - 15:00

**Age Range:** 5 - 11 years

**Cost Details:** £5 per day

**Address:** Dell Meadow Centre, , Bells Lane, Birmingham  
B14 5RY

**Telephone:** 0121 430 6005

**Other Information:**

Bring a packet lunch.

Contact Eve or Karen.

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## **Mere Green Library Storytime**

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Join the fun for stories and rhymes.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 14:00 - 14:45

**Age Range:** 3 - 5 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** FREE

**Address:** Mere Green Library, , 30A Mere Green Road,  
Sutton Coldfield B75 5BT

**Telephone:** 0121 464 4592

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/meregreenlibrary](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/meregreenlibrary)

**Other Information:**

Contact Anne Philips. Places are limited.

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## **Park Explorers Safari**

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Collect Map at the Big Top Studio leading to clues hidden around the Park. Answer Safari questions and complete tasks to collect your Big Top Studio goody bag.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 12:30 - 14:00

Family Event

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

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## Space Pirates

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Half-term fun at the library - crafts, puzzles and games.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 10:30 - 11:30

**Age Range:** 5 - 11 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**We have a range of activities that are suitable for children with disabilities.**

**Cost Details:** FREE

**Address:** Kings Norton Library, , Pershore Road South,  
Birmingham B30 3EU

**Telephone:** 0121 464 1532

**Email:** [kings.norton.library@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:kings.norton.library@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/kingsnortonlibrary](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/kingsnortonlibrary)

**Other Information:**

Booking essential, places are limited.

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## Art Play

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Join in the creative fun with a series of art workshops that encourage families to look at art in a new way together. Explore a different visual art form each day and learn different techniques and imaginative ways to use 2D and 3D materials.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 10:00 - 11:00

**Age Range:** 2 - 5 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £7.50 (£5.50 for an additional child).

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham  
B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Contact mac birmingham.

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## Digital Music Production

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Discover the basics of audio editing and create your own bass-lines and beats as well as covering all the basics, including turntablism, mixing techniques and digital Djing.

This event is suitable for all the family.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 11:00 - 16:00

**Age Range:** 12 - 17 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**Children must be accompanied by an adult.**

**Cost Details:** £13

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham  
B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Contact mac birmingham.

Please bring a packed lunch.

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## **Family Storymaking Programme**

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Listen and participate in a Story-in-a-Bag session, then make your own Story Bag and stories to share with friends, family or at school.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 10:00 - 11:30

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

With accompanying adults

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** [Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com).

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## Bug Zoo

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The creepy crawlies return to the museum. Join the experts to find out more about lots of creepy creatures - from snakes and lizards, to bugs and toads.

**21/02/2013** -

THU 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the Learning Zone.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.50 per person (adults and children)

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times. If animals are present, every animal may not be available for the whole day and a lunch break will be taken.

Contact: Sarah Walker on 0121 464 5056 or email [sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.walker@birmingham.gov.uk).

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## **Storywood Stay and Play**

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Various activities taking place including water play, painting and crafts.

**22/02/2013** -

FRI 9:30 - 11:00

**Cost Details:** Free

**Address:** Story Wood Children'S Centre, Story Wood  
Children'S Centre, Hastings Road, Birmingham  
B23 5AJ

**Telephone:** 0121 675 2183

**Website:** [www.thebrambles.childrencentre.org](http://www.thebrambles.childrencentre.org)

### **Other Information:**

Booking is essential.

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## Animation

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Develop your basic technical and creative skills in iStop Motion animation. During this course you will produce a short animation, learn about voiceovers and frame rates. You will also gain an understanding and appreciation of both image and clay based animation.

These activities are suitable for all the family.

**22/02/2013** -

THU 11:00 - 16:00

**Age Range:** 12 - 17 years

**Children/Young People with Disabilities:**

**If your child has disabilities please call for further information.**

**Cost Details:** £13

**Address:** Mac Birmingham, , Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham  
B12 9QH

**Telephone:** 0121 446 3232

**Email:** [info@macarts.co.uk](mailto:info@macarts.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.macarts.co.uk](http://www.macarts.co.uk)

**Other Information:**

Please bring a packed lunch.

Contact mac birmingham.

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## **Family Festival Showcase Day**

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A festival of fun and activities for the whole family.

**22/02/2013** -

FRI 10:00 - 14:00

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

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B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Children must be accompanied with an adult.

Contact: Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com)

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## Historical Dress Up

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Come and have a rummage through our historical dressing up box and transform yourself into a character from the past.

**22/02/2013** -

FRI 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the Activity Zone.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.00 per child

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times.

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## **Art Workshop - The Government Art Collection**

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Take your inspiration from the wonderful surroundings of our exhibition. Reveal and create your own artwork in this hands-on workshop.

**22/02/2013** -

FRI 11:00 - 16:00 Taking place in the AV Room.

Family Event

**Cost Details:** £1.50 per child

**Address:** Birmingham Museum And Art Gallery, ,  
Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

**Telephone:** 0121 303 1966

**Email:** [bmag\\_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:bmag_enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.bmag.org.uk](http://www.bmag.org.uk)

### **Other Information:**

All activities are drop-in - no need to book. Children must be accompanied at all times.

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## **Park Friends and Community Hubs Showcase Open Day**

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Come and see a display of all workshop materials, and also the opportunities for families and volunteers to become involved with Park Community Hub projects.

**23/02/2013** -

SAT 10:00 - 14:00

**Age Range:** 8 - 12 years

**Address:** Cannon Hill Park, , 2 Russell Road, Birmingham  
B13 8RD

**Telephone:** 0121 442 4226

**Email:** Cannon.Hill.Park@birmingham.gov.uk

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Location: Park Bandstand and Big Top Studio.

Contact Tony Fox by email [cannonhillfriend@aol.com](mailto:cannonhillfriend@aol.com)

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## **Feed the Birds**

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Help our feathered friend through the winter by making bird food and bird feeders.

**24/02/2013** -

SUN 13:30 - 15:30

Family Event

**Cost Details:** There will be a small charge for materials at the time of booking.

**Address:** Woodgate Valley Country Park, Visitor Centre,  
Clapgate Lane, Birmingham B32 3DS

**Telephone:** 0121 421 7575

**Email:** [Woodgate.valley.country.park@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Woodgate.valley.country.park@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/parks)

### **Other Information:**

Limited numbers, booking essential. Meet at the Visitor Centre.

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## Libraries

Below is a list of Libraries in Birmingham where you can go along with your children to choose their favourite books. Why not give your local library a call or visit the website [www.birmingham.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/libraries) for further details including any events and activities they may be running.

Library	Telephone	Library	Telephone
Acocks Green	0121 464 1738	Kingstanding	0121 464 5193
Aston	0121 464 1184	Mere Green	0121 464 4592
Balsall Heath	0121 464 1962	Northfield	0121 464 1007
Bartley Green	0121 464 4473	Perry Common	0121 464 0481
Birchfield	0121 464 4202	Quinton	0121 464 7400
Bloomsbury	0121 464 3466	Selly Oak	0121 464 0403
Boldmere	0121 464 1048	Shard End	0121 464 6779
Castle Vale	0121 464 7335	Sheldon	0121 464 3512
Centre For The Child	0121 303 2421	Small Heath	0121 464 6155
Druids Heath	0121 303 7171	South Yardley	0121 464 1944
Erdington	0121 464 0798	Sparkhill	0121 303 0732
Frankley	0121 464 7676	Spring Hill	0121 464 7422
Glebe Farm	0121 464 4210	Stirchley	0121 464 1534
Kents Moat	0121 464 5755	Tower Hill	0121 464 1948
Hall Green	0121 464 6633	Walmley	0121 464 1842
Handsworth	0121 464 1185	Ward End	0121 464 0366
Harborne Library	0121 464 1596	Weoley Castle	0121 464 1664
Kings Heath	0121 464 1515	West Heath	0121 464 7548
Kings Norton	0121 464 1532	Wyde Green	0121 386 5492
		Yardley Wood	0121 464 2110



Stories from the Web ([www.storiesfromtheweb.org/](http://www.storiesfromtheweb.org/)) is a FREE website used by children and young people from 0 to 16 years where you can find out about books, authors, illustrators and publishers. You can read extracts of books online and then get involved with the activities on the site. Drop into your local library for a user name and password.



All Birmingham children can swim for free at the council's swimming pools with a Passport to Leisure Card. For further details call your local leisure centre or visit the website [www.birmingham.gov.uk/sport](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/sport)

Kids West Midlands work with disabled children, young people and their families to assess suitable settings that meet the child's/young person's needs.

Kids also support settings to work towards inclusion.

For further details call 0121 355 2707 or visit the website [www.kids.org.uk](http://www.kids.org.uk)



### **Be Safe Be Seen**

Remember if you are going out over this winter wear bright and reflective clothing. Most pedestrian accidents occur in the winter months. Keep your child safe, wear bright or reflective clothing and help motorists see them.

**Stuck for places to go? Why not visit Birmingham Museums**

**Aston Hall - 0121 675 4722 - Guided Tours only - every Wednesday**

**Blakesley Hall and Weoley Castle - 0121 464 2193**

**Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery - 0121 303 2834**

**Museum of the Jewellery Quarter - 0121 554 3598**

**Sarehole Mill - 0121 777 6612**

**Soho House - 0121 554 9122**

**Weoley Castle - 0121 464 2193**

**Useful websites for holiday activities**

**[www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk) - Search for ideas of places to go**

**[www.familydaysout.co.uk](http://www.familydaysout.co.uk) - Search for ideas for free days out**

**[www.Filter.me.uk](http://www.Filter.me.uk) - Range of projects for arts, sports and heritage**

**[www.netmums.com](http://www.netmums.com) - Search for a range of activities and ideas of places to go**

**[www.visitbritain.com](http://www.visitbritain.com) - Search for ideas for places to visit**

If you have any comments or suggestions about 'Fun In Brum', or you run activities during the school holidays and would like to be listed in future editions, please email us at [familyinformation@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:familyinformation@birmingham.gov.uk)

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