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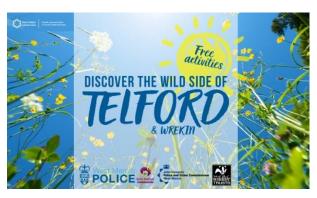
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'Buzzing' summer ahead for residents

Residents are in for a 'buzzing' summer, as Telford and Wrekin Council, teams up with Shropshire Wildlife Trust to offer free activity sessions during the summer.

Some 15 sites will see sessions from 11-2.30, hosted by the trust and will include activities bug hunting, den building, insect spotting and making bug hotels to name a few.

The sessions start on Monday, July 31 and will throughout August, during the school summer holidays at locations across Telford and Wrekin.



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Councillor Kelly Middleton, cabinet member for healthy, safer & stronger communities and partnerships said: "These free sessions mean there is something for people with children to enjoy that's completely affordable through the summer holidays.

"While our fuel bills may be lower, the cost of living is still impacting people and keeping youngsters entertained all summer can be very costly.

"These sessions will keep them busy and get them outdoors with other people and will also give their carers and parents some respite too."

The sessions are aimed at introducing more people to the town's green spaces, encouraging an active lifestyle, and helping you people to develop an understanding of the world around them.

Kathryn Jones, education and learning officer for Shropshire Wildlife Trust said: "We're hoping to offer a summer of fun, nature-filled sessions that the whole family can enjoy across Telford! We'll be exploring both nature crafts as well as plenty of wildlife-related activities such as wild scavenger hunts, bug hunting, den building, and lots more! Every event will be a different activity focus to keep things exciting, and we hope to help the local communities in those areas to fall in love with the nature that's right on their doorstep and utilise those areas themselves in the future.

The sessions are being held as part of the Safer & Stronger Communities, led by Telford & Wrekin Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) John Campion. More than £2.5 million has been made available for the project which is now in its third year.

Police and Crime Commissioner John Campion said: "It's great to see such a diverse range of free sports opportunities available for young people to enjoy over the summer holidays. Sport has the power to not only improve health and wellbeing but bring people closer together.

"The Safer and Stronger initiative, I am working closely with Telford & Wrekin Council to deliver, has unity at its core. When communities are united, they are empowered to speak out on issues that matter to them.

"As your voice in policing, I am committed to building a more secure West Mercia, as set out in my Safer West Mercia Plan."

Sessions are being held the following locations;

- Monday, July 31 July Leegomery Nature Trail By Leegate Community centre
- Tuesday, August 1 St Georges Albion Hill of West Street
- Thursday, August 3 Red Hill Ecology Park back of St Georges rec, near Gower Street
- Monday, August 7 Wrockwardine wood Cockshut meadow
- Tuesday, August 8 Dawley Bank Jubilee Woods
- Thursday, August 10 Little Dawley Nature Reserve
- Monday, August 14 Donnington Granville Park
- Tuesday, August 15 Malinslee St Leonards Church / Field
- Thursday, August 17 Arleston Limekilns woods
- Monday, August 21 Stirchley Madebrook pools & Stirchley Dingle
- Tuesday, August 22 Hollinswood & Randlay Randley Valley
- Thursday, August 24 Woodside Rough Park
- Monday, August 28 Madeley Madeley pit mounds
- Tuesday, August 29 Lightmoor Squatters cottage and smallwoods
- Thursday, August 31 Lawley Newdale Pool & Park & station woods

Full details available on the Eventbrite link and people are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather and bring a picnic.

Parent Consultations

These will take place in the hall, so please come in through the main entrance to school. Thank you.

Miss Carver

Miss Carver is taking time off school currently, but she will be here for parent consultations on Monday and Tuesday. Mr Freeman will be accompanying the class to Blists Hill on Monday.

Date and time	Title	MS Teams link
Wednesday 5 July 2023 4pm for approximately 1 hour.	Sleep support	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 385 863 571 287 Passcode: GzLoGa
Wednesday 12 July 2023 4pm for approx. 1.5 hour.	Supporting and understanding self-harm	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 369 405 485 015 Passcode: 7NzrRb
Wednesday 19 July 2023 4pm for approx. 1 hour.	Wellbeing planning	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 385 053 319 151 Passcode: RV2APL
Wednesday 26 July 2023 4pm for approx. 1 hour.	Managing anxiety	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 398 258 721 67 Passcode: yfWBs8
Wednesday 2 August 2023 4pm for approx. 1 hour.	Sleep support	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 333 511 426 358 Passcode: zN7dD4
Wednesday 9 August 2023 4pm for approx. 1.5 hour.	Supporting and understanding self-harm	Click here to join the meeting

		Meeting ID: 354 027 794 125 Passcode: ZQfeUY
Wednesday 16 August 2023 pm for approx. 1 hour.	Wellbeing planning	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 324 105 836 478 Passcode: SXeZzT
Wednesday 23 August 2023 4pm for approx. 1 hour.	Managing anxiety	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 361 622 085 94 Passcode: Vd9V5v
Wednesday 30 August 2023 4pm for approx. 1 hour.	Sleep support	Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 375 113 438 730 Passcode: dqHAee

Dates for your diary

26 th June	Blists Hill - Miss Carver's Class	This is a half-day visit and an opportunity to
	**Mr Freeman will be	step back to a time & place where
	accompanying the class	traditional life and industry sat side by side
		at the dawn of the modern age. The
		children will visit the Victorian shops and
		cottages, taste authentic food & sweets
		and join craftspeople demonstrating their
		trades in our recreated working town.
26 th June	Parent and teacher	Appointment times have been sent home.
	consultations	
27 th June	Parent and teacher	
	consultations	
27th June	Year 6 Crucial Crew	Crucial Crew provides today's children with
		an opportunity to acquire essential life
		skills at an impressionable time in their
		development. At Crucial Crew, children
		learn of the dangers of drugs, internet
		abuse and bullying, stranger danger, the
		effects of hoax calls etc. For many
		organisations, it is a rare and most cost-

28 th June	Medieval Banquet with Year 1 Year 6 Leavers' Mass at	effective opportunity to raise awareness of the many dangers of the sea, water, electricity, railways, poor hygiene, smoking, building sites, internet, dog awareness, alcohol abuse and farm situations. A letter will go out tonight. This will take place in school. Our Year 6 children will be joining other
29 Julie	Shrewsbury Cathedral	Year 6 children from our family of Catholic schools to celebrate Leavers' Mass together. There will be an opportunity for them to enjoy lunch together and play too. More information to follow.
3 rd July	Year 6 Transition Day	You will have received information from
4 th July	Year 6 Transition Day	the secondary schools regarding this
5 th July	Building and painting castles experiential day in Year 1	Please send you children to school in something you don't mind them getting splashed in a bit of paint.
6 th July	Key Stage 2 Sports Day	All parents are invited to watch their
7 th July	Key Stage 1 Sports Day	children participate in our Sports Days. This will start at 9am approximately and finish at 11.30 approximately. Please bring a blanket and garden chairs to sit on and a hat - it can get pretty warm!
10 th July	Blists Hill – Mr Freeman's Class	This is a half-day visit and an opportunity to step back to a time & place where traditional life and industry sat side by side at the dawn of the modern age. The children will visit the Victorian shops and cottages, taste authentic food & sweets and join craftspeople demonstrating their trades in our recreated working town.
11 th July	New Starters Stay'n'Play	Information has been sent to parents of new starters.
12 th July	Year 4 Experential Day in Year 4 – The Shang Hai Dynasty	More information to follow, but we are asking that children come dressed as archaeologists or in something that you don't mind them digging in!
13 th July	Blists Hill – Mrs Woods' Class	This is a half-day visit and an opportunity to step back to a time & place where traditional life and industry sat side by side at the dawn of the modern age. The children will visit the Victorian shops and cottages, taste authentic food & sweets and join craftspeople demonstrating their trades in our recreated working town.
14 th July	Year 6 Prom and sleepover	More information has been shared and reminders will follow.

18 th July	Blists Hill – Mrs Brazier's Class	This is a half-day visit and an opportunity to step back to a time & place where traditional life and industry sat side by side at the dawn of the modern age. The children will visit the Victorian shops and cottages, taste authentic food & sweets and join craftspeople demonstrating their trades in our recreated working town.
19 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Celebration	This will start at 9am. All parents of Year 6 leavers are invited.
19 th July	Parents Picnic	Please come along at 11.55am to join our children for a lovely afternoon event. Please bring a picnic and blankets and chairs. A hot boxed lunch will be available as the school lunch option for pupils.
21 st July	Break-up for summer	