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*For children with special needs and disabilities and their siblings*



This newsletter covers half term and June. We have hung on as long as we dare looking for options regards doing something a bit different. We are still finding premises impossible to hire, but I am pleased to say there are a few different things on this newsletter. At last!!

I wanted to tell you that most of our Covid protocols are still in place, however we will now allow you to car share and we will take children who use public transport. Staff are lateral flow tested before each session and we also test any other adult present. We are still not taking volunteers, but this may change for the summer. We do record if the children have had lateral flow tests at school and the result. I do have plenty of tests at the office but I am not allowed to test the children without quite a complicated bit of parental consent. If you wanted a test for your child, we could help. We are still asking you not to send children who are unwell please to any session. The staff are currently all having their second vaccines. Claire and I have had ours. Please take the time to read the information about our Compass project. We are busy again now so please get your bookings in as soon as you can and by the bookings date of Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Claire will allocate on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May and there won't be any places left by Monday lunch time. We do have some new members, so just to be clear we prefer all requests to be emailed to Claire at [Bookings@lupwolverhampton.org.uk](mailto:Bookings@lupwolverhampton.org.uk). Claire will email back to confirm which sessions you are allocated on. A request is not a confirmation. If you don't receive the email please query this with Claire.

This newsletters thank you goes to Tristian and the team at TL Martin for all our lovely IT. Yes we have had a few headaches, but everything is settling down nicely and we love it.



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## **Compass.....A new project for Let Us Play.**

Funded by Wolverhampton's Headstart, Compass is especially for young people who are currently in year 6 or above up to the age of 18 years. There are 30 places. We are asking that you sign up to the project which initially will run for 11 months starting from this newsletter. The activities will be aimed at older young people and will be very wide in what we offer. The difference is that only those who sign up to the project at the beginning can book places on those activities which are designated by the compass logo off this newsletter and in future newsletters. Your name and date of birth will be shared with the funder, but no other details such as disability or address will be shared, by signing up this implies consent. You must have a WV postcode. We understand that not all the activities will be of interest to all the young people all the time, however if you sign up to Compass then we must ask that whenever possible you do attend at least one session off each newsletter. Having said that with sessions run at the office I still can't take 30 even if we had the room because of Covid protocols. If for instance you are always out of city on a Saturday then please don't sign up as you will be taking a place away from somebody who can attend. Just tell Claire you want to be part of Compass, as she will do the paperwork on your behalf. I know your next question will be sign up for what?? So on this newsletter Alton Towers is only for Compass young people, as is Ice cream cup cakes, and horse riding. As we move forward the young people can have input into what we do. I am sorry but there are no 1:1 places on compass and ratio of staff to young people is 1:5 so no intensive support either.

## **THE PARENTS GROUP**

ASSUMING the Covid restrictions stay on track and are lifted as anticipated. Also the weather needs to be reasonable. If not the following activity will be cancelled:

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

Walk and inside lunch after at Red Lion Inn, Bobbington

Meeting at 10:45 (we won't wait past 11am)

The meeting point is White House Car Park, Highgate common, Enville. There are no buildings and the nearest postcode I can find is DY7 5BS however if coming from Wolverhampton this does take you past the car park. You need to be on White House lane. If you put White House Lane, Enville into google maps on your smart phone it does bring you very close, so I think that's your best bet. If you need a lift please ask. Claire and I will wait on the road to wave you in.

The walk is more or less flat, but is on woodland paths and takes about 1 hour. Those who just want to lunch 12:00noon at the red lion.

Car Park at rear. Entrance to restaurant at rear, they are expecting us.

### **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

Garden Ornaments & Lunch

10:30 – 1:30pm at the office

Either gnomes, signs or rock painting. As you wish



### **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

Sun catchers

10:00am – 12:30 pm at the office

Don't forget to book a place and cancel as soon as you can if necessary.





Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

## Alton Towers

Leaving Faulkland street coach  
park at 9:30 returning about  
6:45pm

A Compass Project



Can you please tell Claire what kind of rides you think they will like to go on. So i.e goes on anything fast or hates the dark or hates anything that goes in circles. So that we can try and group them so that they are all happy. Please send their height. It is really tough on the kids and staff when a child refuses to go on something as the staff can't leave them, so nobody ends up going on it. Suggest a packed lunch is best although food outlets will be open for takeout.

Please don't send spending money.

Phones are their responsibility not ours.

Everything in a backpack please.



Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May

## Ice Cream Cup Cakes

9:30am – 12:30pm

Or

1:30 – 4:30

LUP office  
7 Shaw Park Business Village

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1:1 place available PM

A compass Project AM



Afternoon session open to all

Cookery session with outdoor  
games if weather permits or odds  
and ends crafts.



Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June

## MAD SCIENCE SESSION

9:30am – 12:30pm

Or

1:30 – 4:30

LUP office  
7 Shaw Park Business Village  
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1:1 places available

5 – 19 years

This session is led by a professional science company and includes Gravity, Slime, Rockets and potions.



Staffordshire children have priority for the morning session.

*Aiming High*  
for Disabled Children and Young People in Staffordshire

Wednesday 2nd June

## The Younger Ones

### Party Day

10:30 – 1:30

Children's entertainer, Party style lunch and a few games.

1:1 places available

5 – 12 years

Obviously we don't have much running about space in our office. So this is a show with lunch, then pass the parcel with a few additional simple games.



Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

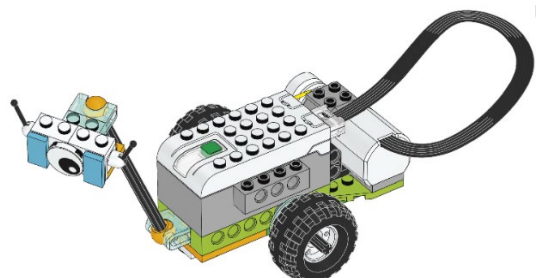
## Lego Robotic Workshop

10:00am – 1:00pm Or  
1:30 – 4:30

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8 – 19 years

Making robotics from lego and using laptops. I am assured this is very adaptable and much easier than it sounds!!



Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June  
**Horse Riding**  
11:30 – 1:00pm



Cannock Chase Treking Centre  
Chase Side Stables,  
Teddesley Coppice,  
Staffordshire  
ST19 5RP

## A compass Project



Sturdy trousers, boots. Will take place in all weathers. Helmets provided and must be worn.

Suitable for total beginners, but the horses aren't on lead reins so please only send young people who you know will have a go.

We can't wait if you are late

There is an indoor waiting area for those providing lifts. The café area should be open by then but mostly just drinks etc.

Toilets available.

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June  
**Arty Saturday**

9:30am – 12:30pm

Or

1:30 – 4:30

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5 – 19 years

A craft session with the focus on art. We have some new technics to share.

Snacks provided  
1 : 1 places  
available





Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

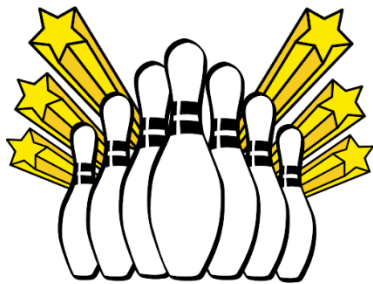
## Bowling & Cosmo

Bentley Bridge

Drop off at 10:45

Bowling Alley

Collection at 1:15 at Cosmo



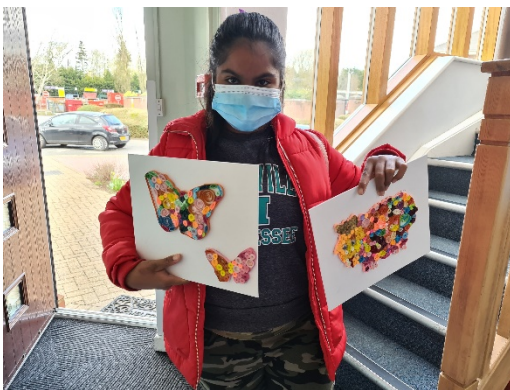
5 – 19 years

This session is dependent on the Covid restrictions being lifted as planned.

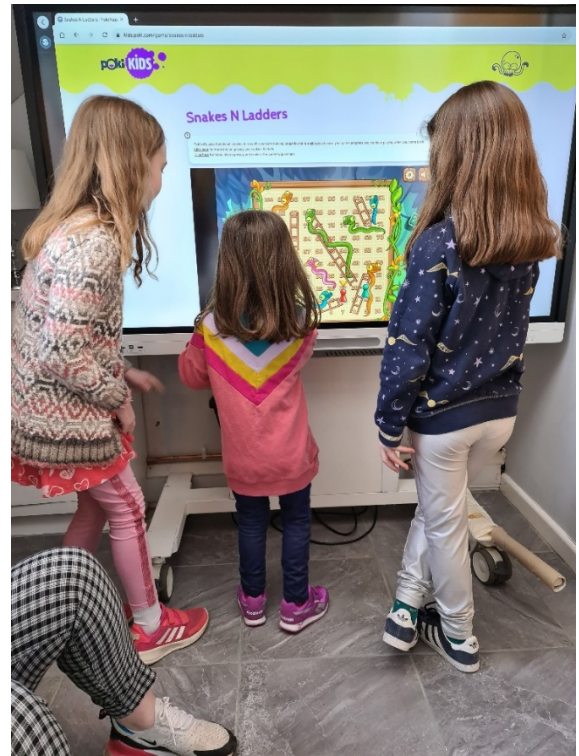
No 1:1 places sorry

**COSMO**  
Pan Asian and  
World Banquet Dining

Finally just a bit of space at the end to share a few memories.







And introducing the new additions to the LUP family.

Winston, Shadow and Clementine.

