

Let Us Play



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For children with special needs and disabilities and their siblings



Well one of these days I am going to be able to write this without mentioning Covid, but it's not today. A few of you may know that I contracted Covid during September and was very poorly. It's made me even more stringent about Let us Play's Covid protocols. Since the schools went back in September many schools have had Covid cases at epidemic proportions, of course many children have such a mild illness that it's been of no consequence. However these children spread the illness to those for whom it is an issue, which is what happened to me. So just to be clear we will continue to test our staff before every session. Please do not send your child to a session if you have any concerns or if they have a cold styled illness. If somebody else in your household is positive you can't send them even if they have tested negative. I know this disappoints and of course it costs us money around unused places where tickets or materials have been purchased. It also gives me constant staffing headaches as I apply the same protocol to our staff pool. Just lets all be kind to each other.

This newsletter is a bit later than I would have liked and times are a bit tight. Bookings are allocated on Tuesday 12th October, so final requests by midnight on the 11th. Please pay attention to the details of the session. Most sessions which take place in half term do have food available. The last newsletter for September was very oversubscribed. Please be patient with us, we do try to do as much as possible with the money we have. About 20 families didn't renew their membership so that should ease the burden for this newsletter. However if somebody tells you they didn't get their copy it will almost certainly be because they didn't renew.



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The Parents Group

The parents group is open to one person from any family who is a member of Let Us Play. The funding for it and our ethos is very much about friendships with others who understand. You certainly don't have to be talented to attend the craft activities and you must never be worried about attending by yourself. It's a big friendly bunch.

Wednesday 20th October 2021

Halloween Decopatch

10:00am (or earlier if its easier for you) – 12:30

7 Shaw Park, WV10 9LE

Breakfast snacks provided and lots of teas and coffee.



Wednesday 3rd November 2021

Painting with Acrylics

10:00am (or earlier if its easier for you) – 12:30

7 Shaw Park, WV10 9LE

Breakfast snacks provided and lots of teas and coffee



Wednesday 17th November 2021

Creative Christmas, things for the tree

10:00am (or earlier if its easier for you) – 12:30

7 Shaw Park, WV10 9LE

Breakfast snacks provided and lots of teas and coffee



Christmas night out will be Friday evening 17th December, meal and cabaret

Booking on next newsletter please, details to follow.

Saturday 23rd October

Ash End Farm

Middleton Lane, Tamworth B78 2BL



This is an unaccompanied activity, no LUP staff present. Priority for Staffordshire families. Tickets given in advance.

Saturday 23rd October 2021

9:30 - 12:30 noon

Or

1:30pm – 4:30pm

Just Clay

Let Us Play Offices, 7 Shaw Park Business
Village Shaw Road,
Wolverhampton WV10 9LE

1:1 places available

5 – 19 years

This is a craft activity using air dried clay. It can be messy.

Both sessions have food options. The morning session get sausages in a roll (please request veggie if you need it) and the afternoon session get Pitta Bread Pizza.



Monday 25th October

Think Tank

via Public Transport

meeting at Wolverhampton tram station
at 10:00am

expectation for return is 5:00pm



thinktank
Birmingham science museum

8 – 19 years

This session involves a lot of walking, please be considerate of this when booking. We don't mind taking a wheelchair if necessary.

Packed lunch is desirable, however if you qualify for free school meals we will sort lunch for you.

No 1:1 places

Does include a visit to the planetarium but the schedule is not yet available so this may change.

Wednesday 27th October

Halloween Crafting

9:30 - 12:30 noon

Or

1:30pm – 4:30pm

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1:1 places available

5 – 19 years

Session has several different crafts to try. Food available on both sessions and it is buffet bits and bobs.



Wednesday 27th October

Golf Multi Session

3 Hammers Golf Complex

Old Stafford Rd, Cross Green, Coven,
Wolverhampton WV10 7PP

Meeting in reception 11am – 1:30



Priority for Staffordshire children but there should be some non Staffordshire places as well. Mixed session with skill practice and golf range.

Includes a chip's and something lunch which Claire will arrange with you to pre order.

Thursday 28th October

Alpaca Walking

Wildwood, County Ln, Albrighton, Codsall,
Wolverhampton WV7 3AH

please meet us there at 10:15 for a 10:30 start
this session only lasts one hour.

Children and Young people must be collected at
11:30



A session for those with higher levels of need. This does involve quite a lot of walking over uneven ground. Appropriate footwear. No facilities except a toilet and handwashing facilities. Parent / carers are not allowed to accompany the trek.

Thursday 28th October
Shortbread Biscuits
1:00pm – 4:00pm

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Wolverhampton WV10 9LE

5 – 19 years

Biscuit making at it's yummy
best.



Saturday 30th October 2021

Hogwarts Party

3:00 – 5:00pm

The Royal British Legion

Vicarage Rd, Wolverhampton WV11 1SF

(for those that have never been it is down a narrow drive off Vicarage
Road lookout for the signage)

Tombola

Entertainer

Challenge the staff to put prizes in
your goody bag

Visit Dumbledore in his
office

**Fresh hot pizza from
mobile catering facility**



**Dressing up
essential**



Saturday 3th November

Arty Saturday

9:30 – 12:30

Or

1:30 – 4:30

Let Us Play offices, 7Shaw Park Business
Village, Shaw Road, Wolverhampton

WV10 9LE

1:1 places available

5 -19 years

4 different arts and craft activities

Snacks provided



COMPASS



Just a reminder that Compass is for those who have already signed up for the project. There is no intensive support on Compass activities, no 1:1 places. You must be this year's year 7 (sept 21) up to 18 years and you must have a WV postcode. There are at least 2 activities every month on Compass.

Tuesday 26th October 2021

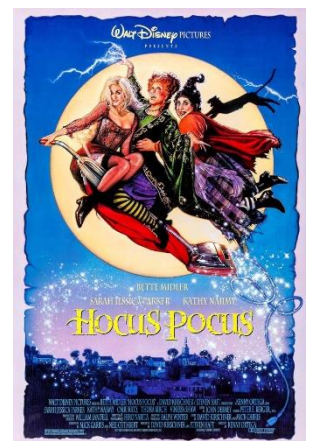
Cinema & Bella Italia
Evening out

Meeting at 6:15 pm at Bella Italia
Bentley Bridge Retail park, Wednesfield
Road.

Collection is from the Cinema at 9:15pm



The film is the new version of Hocus Pocus. Its PG and runs for 96 minutes. It's the first day showing at the cinema so nobody should have seen it before.



Food does not need to be pre booked

Thursday 28th October 2021

Wolf Mountain

11:00am – 1:30pm

For those who have never been it is a fiddle to find. There is a sign off Paget road which takes you up the side of the college building. Wolf Mountain is across the car park.

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Indoor rocking climbing and activity centre.



Appropriate footwear and no skirts!!
Lunch is provided but is a simple sandwich and crisps.

Saturday 20th November



We have privately hired the large fun pool at Wolverhampton Swimming and Fitness Centre. Planetary Rd, Wolverhampton, WV13 3SW. Pool open 6:00pm for one hour, this is followed by a buffet meal in a private room. This session is given as a priority to Compass young people, but the pool is large so there will almost certainly will be space for all. Under 8's must be accompanied; non-swimmers must be accompanied. There will be some LUP staff in the pool. Parents are welcome to swim, I haven't been there for a long time for I don't think there is much seating around the pool for spectators. Please book places.



And finally just because we promised..... some photographs of Kim & Claire on their special day when they were awarded their BEM medal. We did have the most wonderful day and met loads of interesting people. The afternoon tea was yummy, and it was nice to spend the day with each other and our families.

