

For children with special needs and disabilities and their siblings



Welcome to the June newsletter. The year certainly is galloping along. Bookings day is Tuesday 11th May. This quite soon and we would appreciate requests being sent in asap. Claire and I get to go to the garden party at Buckingham Palace right in the middle of June and we are having a mini break at the same time. Catch a show etc. It just makes things a bit tighter sending the allocation emails out. <u>bookings@lupwolverhampton.org.uk</u>

There are always a few housekeeping things to pass on as always. Firstly we have now stopped all our Covid protocols, including testing our staff. Of course if you know your child is Covid positive then we ask you to stay away. It quickly becoming something we will need to live with. I do say this time and time again, but if you know your plans have changed and you can't make a session can you let us know. Illness is harder, as it often comes on overnight, but during the Easter playscheme we did have wasted places when children simply didn't turn up. This is frustrating when Claire has a waiting list. We are going to implement a text system where you will get a reminder a couple of days before. Ultimately for persistent offenders we may not allow membership to be renewed.

Finally a chat about HAF and EHC plans. We were really amazed how many children didn't have EHC plans. If this applies to you and you feel not having a plan affects your ability to access HAf or your childs education then you really need to speak to your school or perhaps contact The family information Service for advice. The HAF scheme will be running again during the summer break and LUP intend to be part of it. There will be special sessions this summer especially for the HAF scheme, equally there will be members only sessions.





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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 8th June 2022

Bowling & Bella Italia

Meeting at Bowling Bentley Bridge for 10:45

Lunch is booked for 12:00n00n so you will be away in plenty of time for the school run.

Wednesday 22nd June 2022

meeting ready for a 12:00 noon start

Wolverhampton City Archives Tour

Molineux Hotel Bldg, Whitmore Hill, Wolverhampton WV1 1SF

A private tour of the archives looking at the work they do and how they do it. The building itself is quite lovely and well worth a peak. Simple sandwich lunch to follow in the meeting room. We are not sure about parking will find out more information and pass it on.

Wednesday 6th July 2022 10:00am onwards

Storage Pods

A sewing activity taking place at the LUP Building.

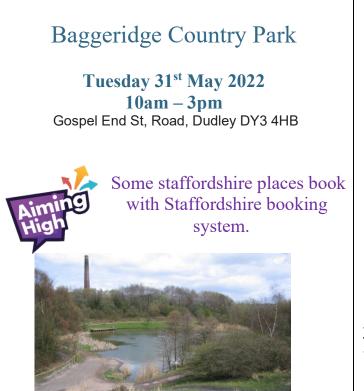
Usual breakfast snacks

This will be the last Parents Group Activity before the summer break.









5 – 19 years

Please meet us at the Lydiate Room. For those that have never been this is accessed from the top car park. Drive on the top level as far away from the café as you can. The building is brick built and

will then be visible over the hedge.
This is a multi activity session with a selection of activities for all ages. The children will be divided into ability / age groups and the day will include treasure hunts, pond dipping, as well as some indoor activities. There is a 2 hour optional High Ropes activity. 1:00pm – 3:00pm please tell Claire if you would like this bolt on. There are only 15 places so it may go to names in a hat.

A simple Sandwich lunch is provided Will take place whatever the weather so send them prepared.

On Tuesday 31st May there is a Staffordshire Aiming High outing to Alice In Wonderland at Stourbridge Town Hall. This isn't led by our staff, but is organized by us. Tickets are for families to attend by themselves. Please book through Staffordshire's booking system.



Tickets quantities are limited of course.

Wednesday 1st June 2022 10:00am – 3:00pm

Jubilee Activity Day

Taking place at Westcroft School

Greenacres Ave, Westcroft, Wolverhampton WV10 8NZ

Plenty of places, but can Staffordshire families book with Staffordshire please Only 1 x 1:1 place available



The activity program is listed on the next page. You may book your sessions or just let us allocate for you.

| TIME | SESSION 1 | SESSION2 |
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| 10:am | Swimming | Crown making |
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| 11:am | Sports Hall games | Make a corgi Cushion |
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| 12:00 noon | LUP Street Party Buffetfo | bod supplied |
| 12:45 | Children's Entertainer | Split Pin |
| | | Royal characters |
| 1:45 | Ball Sports | Make a Red White & Blue Summer |
| | (outside hopefully) | dessert |
| 2:30 | Jubilee Treasure Hunt | THONGUNG |
| | | Hunt |

Saturday 18th June 10:00am – 1:00pm

Dudley Canal Trust Rocks & Fossils Meet in the canal trust building 501 Birmingham New road Dudley DY1 4SB

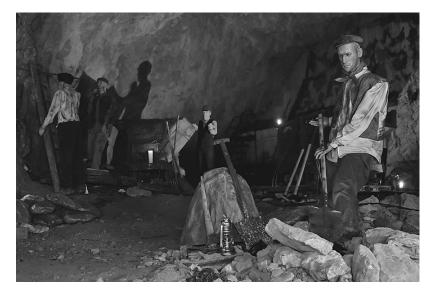


8 – 19 years

This is most suitable for the middle age group. It takes place as a 1 hour workshop followed by a trip on a canal boat where the geology of the site will be shown. Followed by a light lunch.

Can you note that the lunch is the last activity so ensure that breakfast is given.

Also they maybe ready a little earlier it just depends if things run on time.



Saturday 25th June 2022 Prompt 10:00am departure Departing from LUP building 7 Shaw Park WV10 9LE TWYCROSS ZOO



5 – 19 years

Includes Gruffalo discovery land. Twycross is a primate specialist Zoo

This session does involve quite a lot of walking

Packed Lunch needed

There will be a short break in activities after 25th June while we get ready for summer. So don't worry you won't have missed anything.

Summer Planning.....

Every year we get several phone calls from families who are trying to organize their summers. We do understand. We are going to do our very best to make allocation date the 4th July this year. It may depend on when we hear back from funders though. Often the newsletter is on the website two or three days before you receive it, that might help.



The Warmer Homes West Midlands funding.

If you meet the following criteria LUP can refer you for a £49 pre payment voucher.

- □ Has a pre-payment meter
- □ Has been affected by energy price rises
- □ Is at risk of self-disconnection due to financial circumstances

□ In receipt benefits which still leave you below the income threshold:

And finally just a bit of space for some photographs. We do ask for photo permission on our membership form. It is appreciated if you can. Photographs are a good way of proving that the session took place for our funders, supporters and monitoring.



















