

Let Us Play



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



We hope you all had the most marvellous summer. This newsletter covers up to and including October half term. Bookings date is 20th September. That's the date Claire will allocate. The first activity is on the 24th so please get your bookings in early, it's a tight turn around. We have lots of new members joining us for the first time so welcome. Just a quick piece of information for the new members. Choose what activities you wish to book then email the bookings line on

bookings@lupwolverhampton.org.uk. Requesting a place does not mean that you have a place, often sessions are oversubscribed. Wait for your confirmation email. Check it's not gone into your junk box if you don't receive it. Claire should have sent them by close of office on 21st September. Also the newsletter is always on the front page of the website if you lose yours. It's also usually online 2 days before you receive your copy for those that need to plan childcare ETC.

At the time of printing this there seems to be some confusion about whether HAF will run in October half term. Initially we were told no but last week we were asked if we wanted to apply for some HAF funding for October. So now you know as much as me. If you get new HAF codes hang onto them they are important. We may have an update by the time Claire sends out the confirmation email. Just a note on this we have noticed that some families don't read the confirmation email properly. Occasionally times change or Claire has a message about food etc, invariably this gets missed.

Tombola Prizes. We are now entering our annual tombola season. We really appreciate the donations so many of our members give us, it really helps with raising unrestricted funding. You can bring items to any session or drop them into the office. Just call first to check we are here.



**The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service**



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The Parents Group

Wednesday 28th September

Paint a Tissue Box

10:00am onwards includes a hot breakfast



Wednesday 12th October

Halloween Craft

10:00am onwards snacks and treats

Wednesday 2nd November

The impossible quiz

11:30 am with buffet lunch

Great prize for the winner with runner up prizes.



Please book places with Claire as normal. For the benefit of new parents one person from every family is welcome to attend the parents group. The sessions are free of charge and are open to all. All the above sessions take place at the LUP building 7 Shaw Park Business Village.

CYCLING. Cycling has restarted on Monday evenings 7pm Hall D. We have made some changes in that we are going to invoice you for the sessions attended instead of collecting £2 at every session. Can we also mention at this point that the reason we collect the £2's is simply because of the costs involved. The bikes insurance both for storage and the session itself is really expensive. We only ever ask you for the money for the sessions you attend, but the additional income is actually only a tiny percentage of the overall costs, but it does help. As ever if this contribution causes hardship, please tell us. There will be no cycling on 19th September for the day of mourning and none during November when Aldersley are hosting the darts once again.



The water bottles proved a great success over the summer it was a much better way of providing drinks. You don't need to do it if we are at the LUP building but we would appreciate it if the practice could continue at sessions where we are out and about.



8 – 19 years

This is a physical session. Lots and lots of walking over uneven terrain with a hilly bit.

The trail has a succession of outdoor activities. I think its best if you just have a look on the website. It is almost all outdoors and the session will take places in all weathers except perhaps a whole day of very heavy rain. Stout footwear and water proofs if the forecast says its necessary please.

A packed lunch and please don't send spending money.

The Habberley Trail

Saturday 24th September

Departing the LUP building at 9:30

Returning to the LUP building around 3:30

PACKED LUNCH PLEASE



Autumn Crafting

Saturday 1st October

LUP building

2 sessions

9:30 – 12:30

Or 1:30 – 4:30

LUP Building
7 Shaw Park Business Village
WV10 9LE

5 - 19 years

4 different craft activities

Snacks provided

1:1 places available



On 1st October there is a Staffordshire Aiming High activity for the whole family to go to Lower Drayton Farm. Bookings for this are via Staffordshire Connects booking line.



Chocolate Brownies Saturday 8th October

2 sessions
9:00 – 12:30
Or 1:00 – 4:30

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5 – 19 years

Cookery session with some additional play. A nice chocolate brownie isn't the easiest to bake so more suitable for the older ones. Also please note the start times. We need a bit longer on this session to get them all baked.



On Saturday 15th October The Children's Variety club have given us tickets for West Midland Safari park.

Book places with Claire in the usual way. This outing is unaccompanied by LUP and tickets will be posted out in advance. If it is oversubscribed names will go into a hat. At least this year we already have the tickets so you will get plenty of notice if you have been successful.



5 – 19 years



This has some places for Staffordshire Children (please book with staffordshire directly, but tell us this is what you have done) additional places for LUP members. Only 1 x 1:1 place sorry. It maybe possible for 1:1's to bring their own career speak to claire.

PACKED LUNCH NEEDED

Saturday 22nd October



9:00am departure LUP building,
Return about 4:15pm

Monday 24th October



Wolf Mountain

11:00 - 2:00pm

Paget Rd, Wolverhampton WV6 0DU

5 – 19 years

This activity includes a packed lunch supplied by us. Just sandwich, crisps etc. You may supply your own lunch if you wish, just tell us for catering please.

For those who have never been Wolf Mountain isn't easy to find. There is a battered sign off paget road leading behind the college building. Follow the road and Wolf Mountain is in the corner of the car park.

Session is a selection of Rock climbing and Archery.

Tuesday 25th October

MUFFINS

(with a selection of fillings)

2 sessions

9:30 – 1:30

Or 1:00 – 5:00

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5 – 19 years

Cookery session with a bit of craft and play.

Session has a Chip Shop lunch which is served at 1:00.

Mini fish n chips or sausage n chips
If you don't want it please tell Claire



**Wednesday 26th October
'The Big Day'**

**This is a multi activity day taking
place at Westcroft School.**

10:00am – 2:00pm

9 Greenacres Ave, Westcroft,
Wolverhampton WV10 8NZ



5 – 19 years

There are 1:1 places on this activity.

At the time of printing we haven't had time to finish writing this activity program. There will be sport running all day. Optional swimming which must be prebooked. Trampolining. Team games. Craft and a challenge styled activity. We will have a written program shortly so you can contact Claire next week should you need to choose your options.

**There is a buffet lunch supplied.
Bring your water bottles.**

**Thursday 27th October
Bowling & Bella**

**Meeting at 10:30 at The bowling
Centre at Bentley Bridge.
Collecting from Bella Italia at
1:30**

5 – 19 years

10 pin bowling 2 games
followed by Italian lunch.



The Monsters Ball

The Royal British Legion

Vicarage Road

WV11 1SF

3 – 5pm

Saturday

29th October

HOT FOOD

Play the staff for treats

Entertainer

Dressing up essential

All children to be accompanied by an adult who must stay and supervise.

IN MAY HALF TERM MANY OF THE CHILDREN DESIGNED AND MADE GREETING CARDS FOR THE QUEENS JUBILEE. CLAIRE SENT THESE TO HER AND WE RECEIVED A THANK YOU LETTER FROM HER LADY IN WAITING ALONG WITH A CARD WITH PICTURES SAYING THANK YOU. IT WAS RECEIVED 2 DAYS BEFORE SHE DIED. IT IS IN THE OFFICE IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT.

THE LUP OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON 19TH SEPTEMBER AS A MARK OF RESPECT.



This year for the first time ever we are expecting to have a small program of activities running over the Christmas school break. Further details in the next newsletter.



LOST PROPERTY

Every summer we get dozens of items of clothing, water bottles, bags etc. left behind. Some I suspect weren't even left by our children but happened to be left in venues where the staff have collected them. They fill a big shelf. We are only going to keep them for September then the lot is going. So if you've lost something and want it back let us know before it's too late.

