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This issue is running through to the end of March.

Firstly A Huge Thank You to Justin France for his huge effort on behalf of LUP in raising money for the new Extension. To date he has raised an amazing £6851.82. I also want to mention Melanie Rutter, Kerry Beach and others from the parents group who pulled together to raise money for the build. I am pleased to say WE HAVE DONE IT!! Claire and I are cosy in our lovely new office, the storeroom is now in the extension and tomorrow we are about to start turning the old store room into a lovely spacious play room. Please feel free to pop in when you drop off the kids to have a look. We still need equipment and furniture, so we will be keeping the fundraising going for a while yet.

At the time of writing we have no idea what is happening to HAF. The labour government haven’t committed to keeping the project past this March. It seems to be increasingly likely that the project will be left in the hands of the local city council. It will be up to them to decide what is funded, when and how. This gives us lots of uncertainly going forward but especially around this Easter which sits firmly in the middle of April.

A logo for a community fund

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Booking requests by **Tuesday 28th January** please. [Bookings@lupwolverhampton.org.uk](mailto:Bookings@lupwolverhampton.org.uk)

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| **The Parents Group**    **Wednesday 12th February**  **The Impossible Quiz**  **Prizes, Hot Breakfast served at 10am.**    **Wednesday 26th February**  **Lunch Out**  **The Gatehouse, Stafford Road**  **12:00 noon** | |
| During February & March there are Staffordshire sessions on 8th Feb, 17th Feb, 8th March, and 29th March. There are also family tickets to Dudley Zoo. Please book all these sessions on Staffordshire Connects. They now won’t allow Claire to add to the bookings for our activities until 10 working days after they go live on Staffordshire Connects. This means it’s hard to ask Claire to book you a place as they will all be gone by then, you really do need to ring them yourselves.  The phone number is 0300 111 8007 option 2 then option 3. I am told at busy times there can be quite a wait, this is out of our control. | |
| **Saturday 15th February**  **Caramel Brownies & Games**  2 Sessions  Morning session is for younger age groups.  Afternoon Session  1:30 – 4:30pm  LUP Building  7 Shaw Park Business Village  WV10 9LE | 5 – 19 years AM  9:30 – 12:30  12 – 19 Years PM  1:30 – 4:30    Making a tray of Caramel Brownies to take home. There will also be games and competitions. |
| **Monday 17th February**  **LUP Building**  **7 Shaw Park**  **WV10 9LE**  **Large Screen Gaming**  **9:30 – 12:30**  **Staffordshire families have priority, but there will be places for others.** | 8 – 19 years  Afternoon session is 1:30 – 4:30  Lunch is served at 12noon and is Mild Chicken Curry, Rice  Or Vegtable Chilli with rice.  Chips available for those who wont eat rice.  Afternoon session get their lunch upon arrival.  Please tell us if you don’t require food. |

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| **Tuesday 18th February**  **2 sessions**  **9:30 – 12:30**  **Or**  **1:30 – 4:30**  LUP Building  7 Shaw Park Business Village  WV10 9LE | 5 – 19 years  Please be clear which session you want.  4 different art projects for you to try.  Both sessions include food  Lunch is Pizza Buffet, Sides and Chips. |
| **Thursday 20th February 2025**  **Multi Sports and Team Games**  **WV Active Aldersley**  Aldersley Road, Wolverhampton WV6 9NW  **10am – 2:00pm** | 5 – 19 years    Lunch is a sandwich lunch bag  Please bring your own drink  No 1:1 places on this session |
| **Saturday 1st March 2025**  **Trip to Birmingham VIA Tram**  **Visit to the newly opened Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery**  **Lunch is at Ask Italia**  **Pre orders required** | 12 – 19 years  Meeting time is 10am  Please meet us outside the train station in central Wolverhampton. There is a drop-off point so that you don’t have to pay for parking. A member of staff will be waiting, look out for the Blue Fleeces.  Likewise for collection we will be standing by the drop off bays. Please collect at 3:30 |
| **Saturday 8th March**  **Stay and Play**  **2:00pm - 5pm**  The First 12: Getting Started with Core Words | Clip art, Core words, Kids  clipart  LUP Building  7 Shaw Park Business Village  WV10 9LE | 5 – 19 years  This is a session for those members who require 1:1 support or like a small group.  There will be some art and craft for those who like it.  Our upgraded sensory room and play space will be available. |
| **Saturday 8th March 2025**  **Fun Swim in the Splash Pool**  **With Buffet**  6 – 8pm  Bentley Bridge Swimming and Sports Centre  Planetary Way  Wednesfield  WV13 3SW | 8 – 19 years  This is private hire so exclusive to Let Us Play  Staffordshire Places on this activity  Can we ask that non swimmers or poor swimmers are accompanied in the pool by a supervising adult.  Buffet afterwards served in the ground floor function room. |

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| **Saturday 15th March**  **St Patricks Day celebration**  **2 sessions**  LUP Building  7 Shaw Park Business Village  WV10 9LE | 5 – 19 years AM  9:30 – 12:30  12 – 19 Years PM  1:30 – 4:30  An Arts and Crafts Day with a Irish Theme  Snacks and drinks available |
| Saturday 29th March 2025  Gifts for your Mum  2 sessions  9:30 – 12:30  1:30 – 4:30  LUP Building  7 Shaw Park Business Village  WV10 9LE | There will be places for under 12’s on the AM session.  The AM session is also a Staffordshire session.  Afternoon (1:30 – 4:30)  Is for those 12 years and over.  Flowers, cards and crafts to take home. |

Just a word about lost property, please collect it or we will be sending it to the Charity Shop. A few items we think we know who they belong to, but we have 2 really nice boys coats who we don’t have a clue about.

A group of women sitting at a table

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A person holding a red sign

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A person and person in christmas pajamas

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