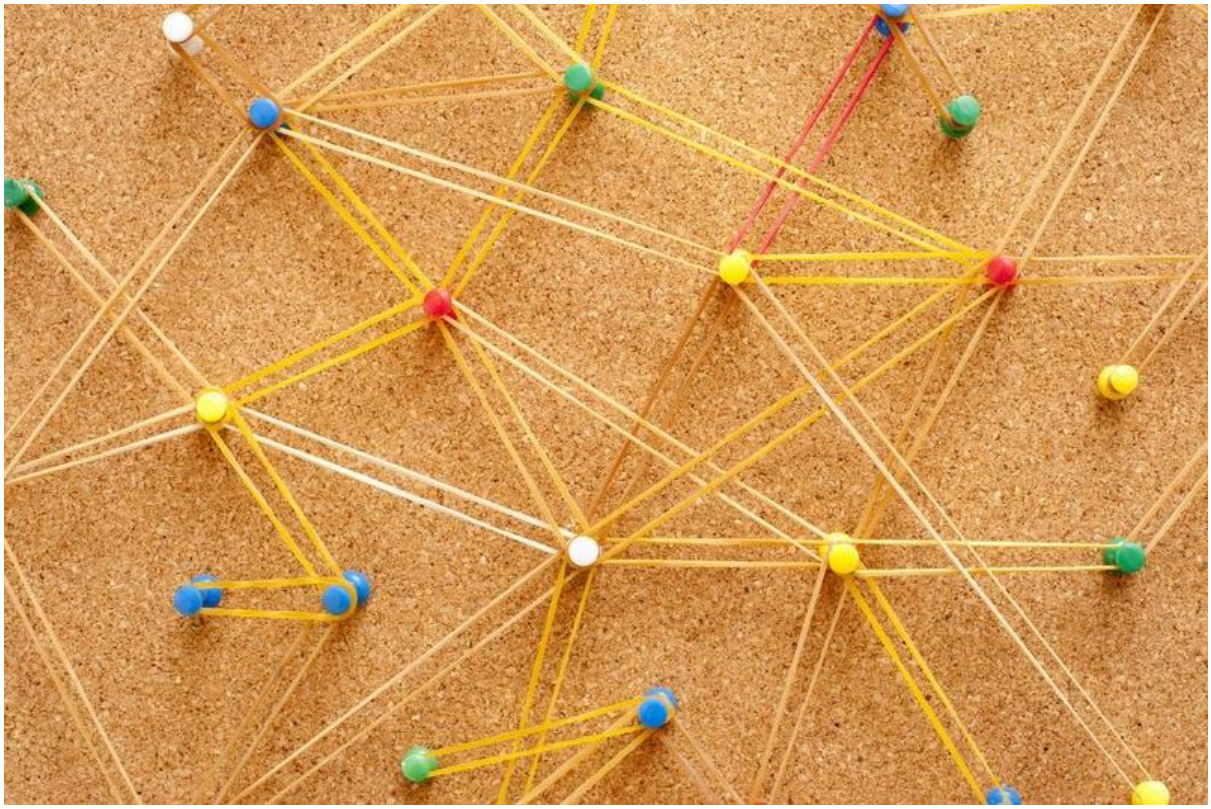


North Northamptonshire October 2026 Stay Connected

Northamptonshire Children's Trust

This newsletter focuses on all the amazing events, activities, clubs and groups that families, children and young people can access across the county that are free or affordable to attend.

This is a live document and will be updated throughout the summer school break with new events added and events that have happened removed so keep checking back.

To navigate to the location you wish to search for use the small grey box in the righthand corner of the screen.

Countywide

Northamptonshire Day 25th October in Kettering

Designed to be a celebration of the county's history, culture and visitor attractions, the event will transform Kettering into a destination for one of the region's biggest family days out, encouraging residents and visitors alike to explore the best of Northamptonshire.

This year's event will coincide with the full reopening of the Alfred East Art Gallery.

The celebration will span multiple locations across the town centre, focusing on the Market Place, whilst Kettering Leisure Village and Wicksteed Park will also join in the celebrations.

A highlight of the day will be heritage bus services operated by the Northamptonshire Transport Heritage Society, giving families the chance to travel on classic double-decker buses as they explore the different activity hubs and discover more of the county's rich transport history.

The event aims to showcase Kettering as a thriving cultural destination, as well as the wider Northamptonshire area.

Visitors can expect:

- Family activities and children's entertainment throughout the day
- Heritage exhibitions celebrating local history and community stories
- Live performances in the heart of Kettering town centre
- Historic venues opened for exploration and activities
- Vintage and heritage bus experiences linking key attractions
- Opportunities to visit Wicksteed Park and Kettering Leisure Village as part of one memorable day out
- Community groups, arts organisations and sporting partners coming together to celebrate the county

Hope For Families Autumn Programmes

Join us for Time Out For Parents- The Primary Years Tuesday 27th October7.15pm-9.45pm

This session will help parents to support their child's emotional wellbeing through understanding their temperament, meeting their needs and communicating well. We will also explore how our parenting approach influences family relationships and how the keys to positive parenting can benefit our family.

This session will be held on Zoom

Registration includes an accompanying parent handbook (RRP £9.99), additional resources and goodies. £15 per household (supported places available).

Booking closes on 20th October please visit Book here

Join us for Time Out For Parents- Handling Anger in the Family Starts Tuesday 10th November 7.30pm-9.30pm

This 4-session course focuses on how you and your child can understand and manage anger in a safe and healthy way. This session will be held on Zoom.

Registration includes an accompanying parent handbook (RRP £9.99), additional resources and goodies. £20 per household (supported places available).

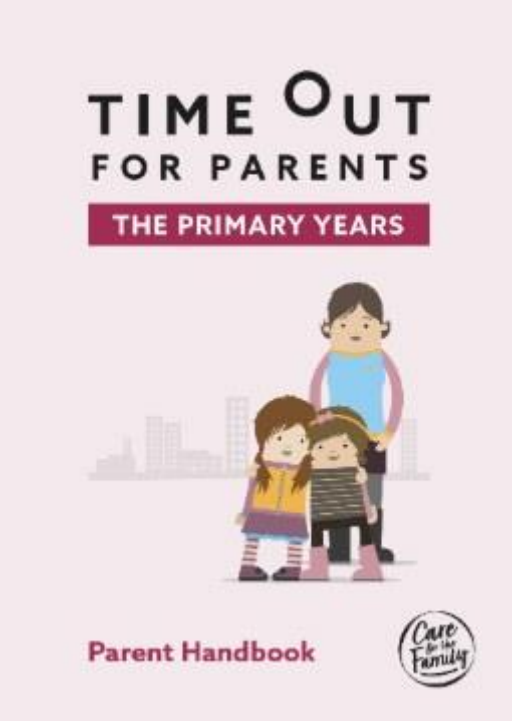
Booking closes 30th October Please Visit Book here

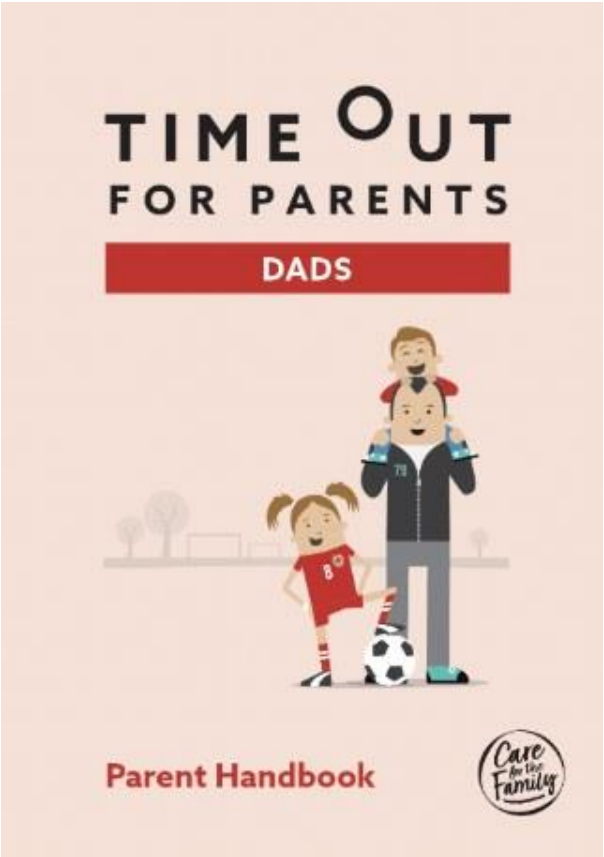
Join us for Time Out For Parents- Dads Starts Thursday 12th November 7.30pm-9.30pm

This series of 5 workshops is for anyone fulfilling the role of dad. The workshops will focus on the importance of dads and help you build an even better relationship with your child. This session will be held on Zoom.

Registration includes an accompanying parent handbook (RRP £9.99), additional resources and goodies. £20 per household (supported places available).

Booking closes 5th November Please visit [Book here]





Northants SEND Mummas October events

October is packed with lovely opportunities to meet other parents and carers, make new friends, have a cuppa, and feel part of a supportive community.

Whether you're new to the SEND journey, looking for advice and support, or simply fancy getting out and meeting people who understand — you're very welcome at our events.

Tuesday 13th October – Book Club, Zapato Lounge | 11am–1pm

Sunday 18th October – Pony & Farm Meet-Up | 1:30–2:45pm (waiting list)

Wednesday 21st October – Rushden Meet-Up, Café 1615 (venue may change)| 11am–1pm - Guest visitors north SENDIASS

Saturday 24th October – Wellness Class with Nadia 12.30-2pm Mes Amie's dance studio Kingsthorpe & Kids Yoga 3-4pm with Wonder and whisper Moulton community centre

Monday 26th October – Parent Meet-Up, Genevieve's Café, Upton | 12–2pm

Thursday 29th October – Halloween Party, Northampton Venue Hire | 5–7pm (waiting list)

Come along, have a chat, share experiences and get advice from other parents who really do understand.

You don't have to know anyone before you come — come on your own and we'll make sure you're welcomed.

Book your place here: www.ticketsource.com/northants-send-mummas

Life Story Work for Children in Kinship Care

Kinship, for family or friends who step up to raise a child Life Story work with children in kinship care. Wellingborough.

Are you raising the child of a relative or family friend? We're hosting a free workshop for kinship carers, where you can learn about life story work and how it can help kinship children build a positive self-image.

Friday 23 October. 10am to 1pm. Northamptonshire Carers (Boardroom)

The Anne Goodman Centre for Carers, 123 Midland Road, Wellingborough, NN8 1LU.

Morning tea and lunch provided. Connect with Kinship carers like you. Gain helpful strategies and support.

We'd love to see you there. Registration essential. Click/scan the QR code to sign up or contact workshops@kinship.org.uk to find out more.

Our HOME ED HUB for young people aged 11-18 is now set up for bookings through the EEQU website!

The first time you register you will complete details about your young person but after that it holds your details for you.

Youth Works Home Education Hub with Youth Works Northamptonshire · Eequ

At the Knibb, Montague Street, Kettering NN16 8AE. We will be offering 3 x 45 minute sessions between 11.30am & 1.45pm First Block - Fridays between 18th September and 23rd October 2026. The cost will be £6 a session - with a 15% discount for every 3 sessions booked. Bookings are for a block of sessions as there will be some continuation from week to week.

We also plan to link these sessions to the AQA Unit Award Scheme, allowing learners to build a portfolio of certificates that formally recognises their skills, knowledge, and experience. If you would find it financially challenging to pay for a block of sessions in one payment please email Natachi at nakaji@youthworksnorthamptonhsire.org.uk and she will arrange for you to pay half now and half later.

If your family is in receipt of Universal Credit we may be able to offer free places - please email Natachi at nakaji@youthworksnorthamptonshire.org.uk and she will be able to let you know if we have any bursary places available and how to apply.

Our min group size will be 4 and max group size 8, apart from social / lunch session where 2 groups come together.There will be space for parents to stay onsite if they wish, including a quiet place to work - but it is not a requirement for an adult to stay.

Our sessions are:

11.30am - 12.15pm Art Meets Wellbeing - 6 week block

Help young people reduce stress, manage anxiety, and build confidence through creativity. Led by trained counsellor Debs, these sessions offer a gentle, pressure-free space where taking part is everything, and perfection doesn't matter.

11.30am - 12.15pm Fitness - 6 week block

Set and work towards your fitness goals with Coach Terry! Young people will be able to work at their own pace in a supportive environment with expert guidance, and maybe learn an impressive trick or two!

12.15pm - 1.00pm Lunch & Social Space

Enjoy a safe space for a refreshment break and bring your own lunch to enjoy. Hang out, play pool, try board games, get creative with crafts, or join in with hall sports! Friendly staff are always on hand to help young people connect and socialise in a relaxed space.

1.00pm - 1.45pm Enterprise Lab - 6 week block

Turn ideas into reality in this 6-week business challenge! Young people will design, budget, market, and sell their own unique products from scratch, Perfect for building creativity, collaboration, and real-world resilience.

1.00pm - 1.45pm Cooking Confidence - 6 week block

Get independent in the kitchen! Learn essential cooking skills, master budget-friendly shopping hacks, and cook up & snacks meals you'll actually want to eat! Take home what you make or eat it straight away!

Supporting a bereaved child - for parents, families and carers

Part of the For families & carers supporting bereaved children collection

19 October, 23 November, 14 December 2026 Free webinar | 1 hour | **For families or carers**

This webinar provides information for parents, carers and family members to help them support children and young people when someone important to them has died. In this webinar we provide an opportunity to learn more about how children grieve and offer helpful suggestions for you and for your family.

Who is this training for?

This webinar is suitable for families or carers looking after children or young people who are bereaved or who are facing bereavement. Please note, this event is not suitable for children and is **not for professionals.** There will be an opportunity to ask questions during the webinar using the chat function. If you would like personalised bereavement support and guidance, please contact our Helpline. You may also be interested in: How we can support you, Supporting bereaved children and young people, Support for bereaved young people

To reserve your free space and find the full information please visit the Eventbrite page Supporting a bereaved child - for parents, families and carers Tickets, Multiple dates | Eventbrite

The Charity also offers chargeable courses, costs vary from £80 to £150 but more information can be found on their Eventbrite page Child Bereavement UK

Winston's Wish and Child Bereavement UK have come together. We are now one unified charity called Child Bereavement UK. Their website is Child Bereavement UK where they can offer more practical support for children, teenagers and young adults, parent bereaved of a baby or child and for adults supporting bereaved children.

Target online safety session for Parents/Carers/Professionals

Target online safety sessions for Parents/Carers Tickets, Monday, October 19 • 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM GMT+1 | Eventbrite

This is open to any families living in or who have children/young people accessing education in Northamptonshire

Our introductory parent/carer workshop aims to empower parents/carers, or the professionals working with them, to support their children and young people in navigating the online world. This includes understanding risks of being online, based on latest research, social media, laws and legislations, AI technology and parental controls.

We also look at the pressures young people face, increase their awareness of the grooming process, the risks associated with indecent image sharing and inform you on how to report online harms, so you feel equipped to support your young people. We will also cover the upcoming law changes and the potential impact it could pose.

TARGET Online Safety Session for SEN Parents/Carers/Professionals

To book please visit **Online Safety Sessions for SEN Parents/Carers Tickets, Monday, November 9 • 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM GMT | Eventbrite**

This is open to any families living in or who have children/young people accessing education in Northamptonshire

Our introductory SEN parent/carer workshop aims to empower parents/carers or the professionals working with SEN children/young people to support them navigating the online world. This includes understanding why those with SEN use the internet, the risks involved, how you can support them and understand the terminology they may use. We use the latest data, laws and research to inform our practice and the guidance you receive.

We also look at the pressures young people face, increase their awareness of the grooming process, the risks associated with indecent image sharing and inform you on how to report online harms, so you feel equipped to support your young people.

We will cover the upcoming law changes and the potential impact it could pose.

Film and Screen Saturday Club for 13-16 year olds

University of Northampton. Club dates: From 03 October 2026 - 10 July 2027. Saturdays, 10:00 - 13:00

Did you know that we run the Saturday Club for the University of Northampton for Film&Screen? If you are a Northants young person 13-16yrs interested in working behind

the camera or learning more about filmmaking, you can apply now University of Northampton - National Saturday Club

At the University of Northampton's Film&Screen Saturday Club, young people will have the exciting opportunity to work alongside award-winning Film Producer and Northampton Film Festival Director Becky Carrier, creating their own short films with local industry professionals using professional-standard filmmaking equipment.

Through hands on workshops, behind-the-scenes industry insights and real filmmaking experiences, participants will explore every stage of the filmmaking process, from storytelling and script development to shooting and editing. They'll gain valuable insights into careers in film through Q&As with local industry professionals, screen inspiring independent and locally made short films, and take part in practical tutorials designed to bring their creative ideas to life.

Along the way, young people will build confidence, creativity and communication skills while developing their filmmaking expertise. They'll discover their strengths and interests, enhance their teamwork and project management abilities and gain experience that could inspire future education and career choices.

As part of the National Saturday Club network, members will also enjoy exclusive opportunities to participate in a **Masterclass** led by leading industry professionals and showcase their work at the prestigious **Summer Show**, where Saturday Clubs from across the UK come together to exhibit their achievements in a public exhibition. Best of all, it's completely free to take part!

Accessibility statement: The University of Northampton's Waterside Campus provides comprehensive accessibility features including step-free routes and designated Blue Badge parking. Our campus features flat, paved outdoor routes and step-free entry to primary public zones.

University of Northampton - National Saturday Club for more information and to apply.

Supporting children with ADHD - Driving Digital Inclusion

By Contact - for families with disabled children Part of the Driving Digital Inclusion collection

Tuesday, October 13 • 7pm to 9pm. Advice and strategies to help parent carers understand ADHD and how to best support their child or young person.This workshop is for parent carers of children who have attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) in the UK.

This online workshop will cover:

· What ADHD is

· How ADHD affects children and young people

· Myths and misconceptions

· The strengths of ADHD

· Strategies to best support your child or young person

There will also be time for questions, group discussions, and signposting to further sources of advice and support.

This workshop look at:

· What is Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder

· Characteristics of ADHD

· How it affects children and young people

· Myths and Misconceptions

· How can we help

· Support at school

· Strengths of ADHD

· Questions and Answers

Supporting children with ADHD - Driving Digital Inclusion Tickets, Tuesday, October 13 • 7 PM - 9 PM GMT+1 | Eventbrite The full programme of Contact's Autumn/September courses can be found here Contact - for families with disabled children

When Online Content Shapes Harm: Understanding Violent Pornography

By Let's Talk Safer Families **Tuesday, October 13 • 7pm to 8pm.**

With particular focus on non fatal strangulation. This free webinar by Meena Kumari will aid parents in starting the difficult conversation

This session aims to help parents and carers understand how early and repeated exposure to violent pornography is shaping young people's expectations of sex and relationships, with a particular focus on the normalisation of non-fatal strangulation, and to equip them with age-appropriate language to address this with their child.

As a parent or carer, you may not know where to start, but you don't have to be an expert to have this conversation.

This accessible webinar helps parents and carers understand what young people are likely to be seeing online, why it matters, and how to use open, honest, age-appropriate and non-shaming dialogue at home.

To reserve your free space please visit our Eventbrite page When Online Content Shapes Harm: Understanding Violent Pornography Tickets, Tuesday, October 13 • 7 PM - 8 PM GMT+1 | Eventbrite

Disability Football in Northamptonshire

There are some fantastic opportunities we have across Northamptonshire to play football if you have a disability.

You can find more football opportunities for players with a range of disabilities, health conditions, and additional needs on our website by visiting

Find Your Local Disability Football Club

North Northants

North Northants Council October Half Term Activities

Looking for ways to keep children active, entertained and engaged during the October Half Term holiday? A wide range of activities will be taking place across North Northamptonshire, including holiday clubs, family swimming sessions, sports activities, outdoor adventures, Halloween-themed events, Love Explore trails, golf and much more.

There are opportunities for children of all ages to get involved, whether they enjoy being active, exploring the outdoors, learning new skills or spending quality time with family and friends.

View the full programme here: https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/holidayactivities Please note that this is a live document, with new activities and updates added regularly.

Families are encouraged to check back frequently to see the latest opportunities available throughout the holiday period. We hope you have a fun-filled and active October Half Term!

Halloween Xplorer

Free to join no need to book just turn up and have fun

Fancy Dress Welcome

Children must be always supervised by a parent or guardian. Activities are designed for the whole family to take part together. Fancy dress is welcome!

Monday 26th October 10.00am-12.00pm Wellingborough Swanspool Gardens NN8 1PD

Monday 26th October 1.00pm-3.00pm Corby Kingswood Neighbourhood Centre Meet by play park NN18 9WU

Tuesday 27th October 1.00pm-3.00pm Kettering The Green Patch NN16 0LU

Wednesday 28th October 1.00pm-3.00pm Corby Athletics Track NN17 2FB

Thursday 29th October 10.00am-12.00pm Corby Boating Lake NN17 2UN

Thursday 29th October 1.00pm-3.30pm Thrapston Peach Park NN14 4JT

Smartphone Photography Discovery Walk

Start Date: 11 October 2026 Start Time: 1.00pm-3.00pm

Boughton Park, Boughton House, Kettering, NN14 1BJ

Important: This workshop is free, but participants must book their place with Northamptonshire Adult Learning and purchase a separate garden admission ticket to take part. Tickets can be purchased via the Boughton House website: Purchase a Garden Ticket. Alternatively you can purchase your ticket at the House shop on arrival.

Discover the beauty of Boughton House's stunning gardens through the lens of your smartphone. Delivered in partnership with Boughton House as part of the National Garden Scheme (NGS) October Gardens event, this free 2-hour workshop will help you develop practical smartphone photography skills while exploring the spectacular autumn displays of the historic gardens.

Starting in the Hawk Yard, you'll learn simple techniques to improve your photographs, including composition, lighting, focus and creative camera features. You will then put your new skills into practice on a guided photography walk through the gardens, capturing seasonal colours, landscapes and natural details.

Whether you're completely new to photography or looking to get more from your smartphone camera, this workshop offers a relaxed and supportive opportunity to learn, be creative and enjoy one of Northamptonshire's most beautiful historic settings.

Northamptonshire Adult Learning ANLP05 Smartphone Photography Discovery Walk

Made With Many is looking for Volunteer Ambassadors 18+ years

Want to help shape our programme in Corby or Wellingborough?

Made With Many is looking for Volunteer Ambassadors to join our programme of Community Powered Art!

Our Volunteer Ambassador groups will be meeting every other month to:

• Help shape the combined arts programme we deliver

• Be the first to hear about exciting events and creative opportunities upcoming in your town

Ambassadors will be offered:

Regular slots to volunteer at our events, activities and workshops.

Opportunities to participate in 'Go See' inspiration trips and visits to other arts events, activities and venues.

By signing up to be part of the Ambassador group, you are:

• Committing to regularly attend meetings.

• Offering some of your time to support Made With Many events and activities within a volunteer role.

Sign up by visiting Made With Many Volunteer Ambassadors - Sign Up Form

Social Stories at North Northamptonshire Libraries

At Northamptonshire libraries, we have created Social Stories to help customers with autism feel more comfortable visiting our libraries and understanding how to access our services.

Please visit Dementia and autism friendly at libraries | North Northamptonshire Council to access each North Northants Libraries Social Stories

We have also created Social Stories specifically for the Summer Reading Challenge.

Email your local library for a digital copy, or pop into your local library to collect a paper copy.

Family Hubs North Northants - Information

Where are our Best Start Family Hubs Located?

Wellingborough Family Hub Network. Penrith Drive, Wellingborough, Northants, NN8 3XL

Kettering Family Hub Network, Montagu Street, Kettering, Northants, NN16 8RX

East Northants Family Hub Network, Oundle Library, Glapthorn Road, Oundle, Northants, PE8 4JA and Newton Road, Rushden, Northants, NN10 0JB.

Corby Family Hub Network. Exeter Primary School, Brayford Avenue, Corby, NN18 8DL

Getting support from us is easy. You are welcome to walk into one of our hubs (9am to 5pm. Monday to Friday), you could be referred to us. You can also can give us a call on 01536 805244 and mail on familyhubs@northnorthants.gov.uk

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Autumn Timetables

Check out Oundle Family Hub. Don't miss our new sessions starting in September! Scan the QR code or visit Oundle Family Hub

Exciting news about Corby Family Hubs. Check out the new September time table by scanning the QR code or visit Corby Family Hub Partnership

See what's coming up at Wellingborough Family Hub. View our new timetables starting in September. Scan the QR code or visit: Wellingborough Family Hub

Come and join in our new sessions starting in September by scanning the QR code in the bottom right. Rushden Family Hub

Check out our new timetable starting in September by scanning the QR code in the bottom left. Kettering Family Hub

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See what's coming up at

Wellingborough Family Hub

View our new timetables starting in September!

Scan the QR code or visit:
https://familyhubs.northnorthants.gov.uk/fh-wellingborough

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What's new at

Rushden Family Hub

Come join in our new sessions starting in September!

Scan the QR code or visit:
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The Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Local Offer

What is it? The Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Local Offer is a "one-stop-shop" for information and resources about SEND support. It covers topics like support in school, local services, activities, benefits, preparing for adulthood and more!

Who is it for? The SEND Local Offer is here to support children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and/or disabilities and their families.

Where can I find it? Scan the QR code or visit the website North Northants SEND Local Offer

Created with you and for you. The SEND local offer is a website that you can trust. It's made with input from North Northants families and has information about Local Support and services available to you.

Wellingborough

Wellingborough and Surrounding Villages, Finedon, Wollaston, Irchester, Bozeat, Great Doddington, Earls Barton and Grendon

Wellingborough

The Great Fire of Wellingborough – Paranormal Investigation Halloween Event

The Great Fire of Wellingborough Friday 30 October | Swanspool Gardens | 6pm–9pm

This Halloween, step into the shadows and uncover the darker side of Wellingborough's history…

In 1738, a devastating fire swept through the town, destroying homes, businesses and buildings and leaving a community changed forever. More than 280 years later, the story of that tragic night returns to life at Swanspool Gardens.

Join us for a chilling Paranormal Investigation as we explore the history, stories and legends surrounding The Great Fire of Wellingborough.

As darkness falls, follow your paranormal team through the atmospheric gardens. Hear the stories of those who lived through the fire, discover the events that changed the town forever and explore whether traces of the past may still remain…

But be warned… you may not be alone. Could the spirits of Wellingborough's past still be with us?

This atmospheric Halloween experience is suitable for ages 11 years and over. Each investigation will last approximately 30 minutes and refreshment will be available afterwards in Swanspool Pavilion.

Are you brave enough to step into the shadows and investigate the ghosts of Wellingborough's Great Fire?

Book your tickets for entry between 6pm - 7pm at [Wellingborough Halloween Night – 6pm – 7pm | Wellingborough Town Council]

Book your tickets for entry between 7pm - 8pm at [Wellingborough Halloween Night – 7pm – 8pm | Wellingborough Town Council]

Book your tickets for entry between 8pm - 9pm at [Wellingborough Halloween Night – 8pm – 9pm | Wellingborough Town Council]

Kingsway Detached Youth Work

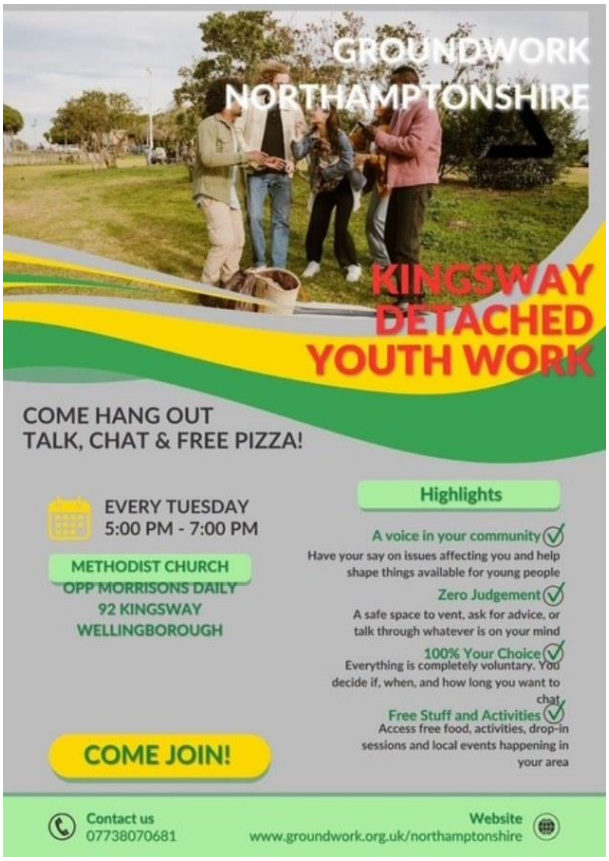
Come hang out, talk, chat and free pizza

Every Tuesday 5.00-7.00pm

A voice in your community, zero judgement, 100% your choice, Free stuff and activities

Methodist Church, opposite Morrisons, 92 Kingsway, Wellingborough

By Groundwork Northamptonshire



Free Halloween Half-Term Fun in the Swansgate Shopping Centre

Looking for exciting, free things to do with the kids this October half-term in Wellingborough? Bring your little monsters down to Swansgate Shopping Centre for a day packed with terrifyingly good fun!

We are hosting a spooktacular family event filled with creative activities, games, and entertainment to keep your children engaged all afternoon without breaking the bank.

Date: Wednesday, 28th October

Time: 11:00 – 15:00

Location: Swansgate Shopping Centre, Wellingborough

Whether your children love getting creative or showing off their best fancy dress costumes, there is something for everyone to enjoy:

Halloween Face Painting: Watch your little ones transform into spooky ghosts, witches, vampires, or wicked pumpkins with our talented face painters.

Witches' Cauldron & Spooky Games: Join in on family-friendly Halloween party games and discover magical surprises around the cauldron.

Creepy Crafts Corner: Let their imaginations run wild with hands-on craft sessions where kids can make eerie decorations to take home.

Make a full day of it! Enjoy hassle-free local shopping, grab a bite to eat at our family-friendly eateries, and let the kids burn off energy with our free half-term entertainment. No advance booking is required; simply drop in between 11am and 3pm on Wednesday, 28th October. Don't forget to dress up in your favourite Halloween costumes!

Join Us for a Family Halloween Walk!

Looking for some half-term fun? Bring the family along to our interactive Halloween Walk at Queensway Park, Wellingborough, NN8 3TG on Friday 30 October 2026.

Choose from two walk times: 10:00am to 12:00 noon

Meet friendly spooky characters, take part in the adventure, and enjoy a fun-filled family walk around the park. Don't forget your mobile device for the full interactive experience!

Meet by the Calisthenics Rig, Queensway Park. Suitable for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Limited spaces available so booking is required, to book a space if you could send an email with: how many adults and children, postcode to nnleisure@northnorthants.gov.uk

To learn more about what's taking place across North Northamptonshire this half term, visit: Half term holiday activities for children | North Northamptonshire Council

Cat in the Hat Fright Night

Club Palm Beach under 18's nights

Live scare maze, multiple scare zones

Friday 30th October 7.30-10.00pm £5 entry

Reducing youth boredom and providing a positive space for teens

Safe and supervised, screened on entry, security, No re-entry, zero tolerance for violence, alcohol and drugs

Wellingborough Town Youth Girls Football Sessions

Play, Learn, Make Friends, Be part of it

12-16 year olds

Saturday Mornings 9.00-10.30am

Hatton School, NN8 2DP

For more information contact coach Amy 07933933880

Wellingborough Festival of Lights 2026 Interactive Workshops

WDHA is proud to host a day of interactive workshops at The Castle Theatre as part of the pre-week celebrations marking the Wellingborough Festival of Lights. **Join us for a programme of dance, drama and meditation workshops, an opportunity to move, reflect, experience and connect with others through creativity and culture.**

Wednesday 28 October 2026

The Castle Theatre, Wellingborough

Spaces are limited. If you are interested in registering, simply follow the QR code on the poster or visit Wellingborough Festival of Lights - Workshop Registration

10.00-10.45am Bollywood Dance Workshop

11.00-11.45am Tamil Kuthu Dance Workshop

12.00-12.45pm Drama Workshop

1.15-2.00pm South Indian Dance Workshop

2.15-3.00pm Meditation

Hemmingwell. Trade, Skills and Recruitment Day

Something exciting is coming to Hemmingwell. Trade, Skills and Recruitment Day happening 26th October. Indoor and outdoor event with practical demonstrations, apprenticeship programmes, recruitment agencies and so many more. 12pm to 2pm Hope Church, Gulliemot Lane, Hemmingwell

Guillemot Lane Hemmingwell Monday 26th October 12pm-2pm

No appointment needed just pop in and talk to prospective employers and training providers

SEND/Neurodivergent Youth Drop-In is Launching at Wellingborough Family Hub!

Looking for a welcoming space to meet new people, take part in fun activities, and access support? Come along to our new Youth Drop-In, delivered by EnFold and Family Hubs North Northants.

A safe space to connect, chill and have fun

Games and activities

Opportunities to talk and get support

Snacks available

Wellingborough Family Hub

1st and 3rd Monday of each month 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Young people aged 11-19 (up to 25 with SEND)

Free to attend - just drop in!

Launching on Monday 5 October. Whether you'd like to make friends, relax after a busy day, or find out about support available to you, we'd love to see you there. For more information, email: info@enfold.org.uk

Create an Epic Fantasy Adventure for age 10-16

Into fantasy, gaming, or world-building?

This isn't your typical workshop.

Join Preacher The Storyteller and help create an epic fantasy adventure from the ground up. Design characters, invent creatures, shape the story, and influence a brand-new game.

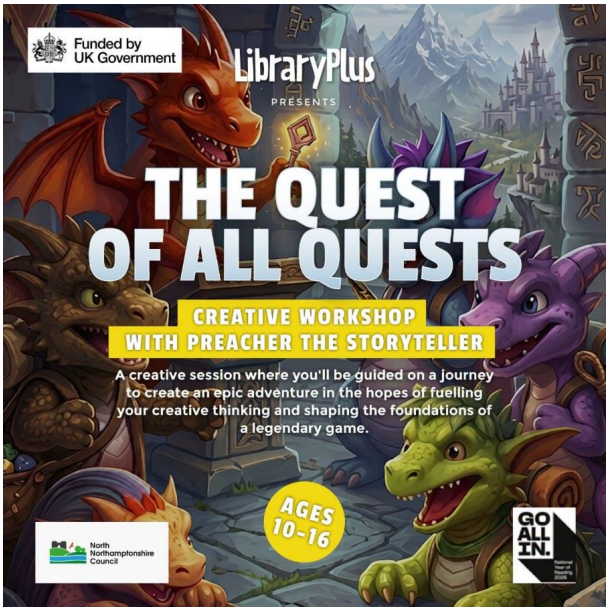
Wellingborough Library

27th October | 11:00 - 12:30

Ages 10-16

Whether you're into D&D, RPGs, fantasy books, or just love coming up with cool ideas, come and be part of the quest.

To book please visit [The "game of all games" with Preacher the Storyteller Tickets, Tuesday 27 October • 11 AM - 12:30 PM | Eventbrite]



Join Us for a Special Storytime with Alliouagana Pearl!

Bring the family along to Wellingborough Library for a fun-filled storytelling session featuring "Bre'r Anancy and the Magic Pot" by V.S. Russell.

Discover the adventures of the clever Anancy through captivating storytelling, perfect for children aged 6+ and their families.

Monday 26 October 10:30am to 12:00 noon

Come and enjoy stories, imagination, and family fun at this special event!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Children's Story Telling for Hallowe'en!

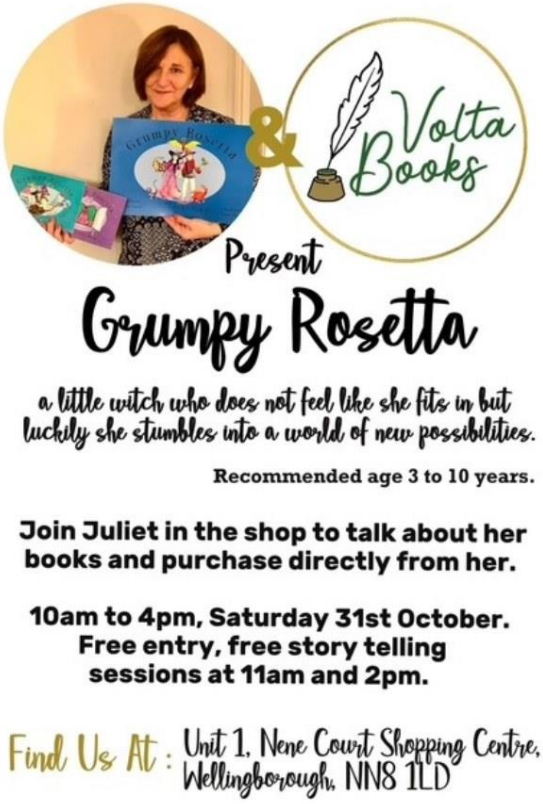
Juliet will be joining me in the shop on **Saturday 31st October,** bringing her series of children's books, Grumpy Rosetta.

As well as being here all day (10am to 4pm) for you to purchase her books directly from her, **Juliet will also be running two story telling sessions at 11am and 2pm which are completely free to attend.**

A wonderful way to support small business and independent artists, and to encourage reading while marking Hallowe'en with your children!

Volta Books, Unit 1 Nene Court Shopping Centre, The Embankment, Wellingborough, NN8 1LD.

Free parking on site.



ECO Halloween Crafts

By Wellingborough Library

Thursday, October 29 • 2pm to 3pm

In honour of Green Libraries Week in October half term! Make your own ECO Halloween Crafts! Sensory Jars and Hanging Bats

Materials used: cardboard, glass jars, baby oil, water, glitter, sequins, paint, PVA glue, googly eyes, ribbon.

To book your free space please visit our Eventbrite page ECO Halloween Crafts Tickets, Thursday, October 29 • 2 AM - 3 AM | Eventbrite

Ladies Conversational ESOL Sessions

Victoria Centre

Wednesdays Mornings (term time only) 9.30-11.00am

Just drop In

46-50 Palk Road, Wellingborough, NN8 1HR

Wellingborough Library October Events

Monday

10.30am to 11.15 Buggy walk. Children's area. 12 October.

10.30 to 12 Noon. Storytime with Alliouagana Pearl (Book on Eventbrite). Children's area. 26 October

Tuesday

9.39am to 12 Noon Preacher the Storyteller (book on Eventbrite). Children's Area. 27 October

2pm to 3pm. Under 1's. Children's Area. 6, 13, 20 and 27 October

Wednesday

9.45am to 10.15. Library Rhyme time. Children's area. 14, 21 and 28 October.

10.30am to 12 Noon. ACE Parent Support Group. Library Floor Room. 7 October.

11am to 11.30am Library Bounce and Rhyme. Children's Area. 7, 14, 21 to 28 October

Thursday

9.30am to 10.30am and 10.30am to 11.30am. Preschool play. 15, 22 and 29 October.

2am to 3pm. Eco Halloween Crafts (Book on Eventbrite). Children's Area. 29 October.

Friday

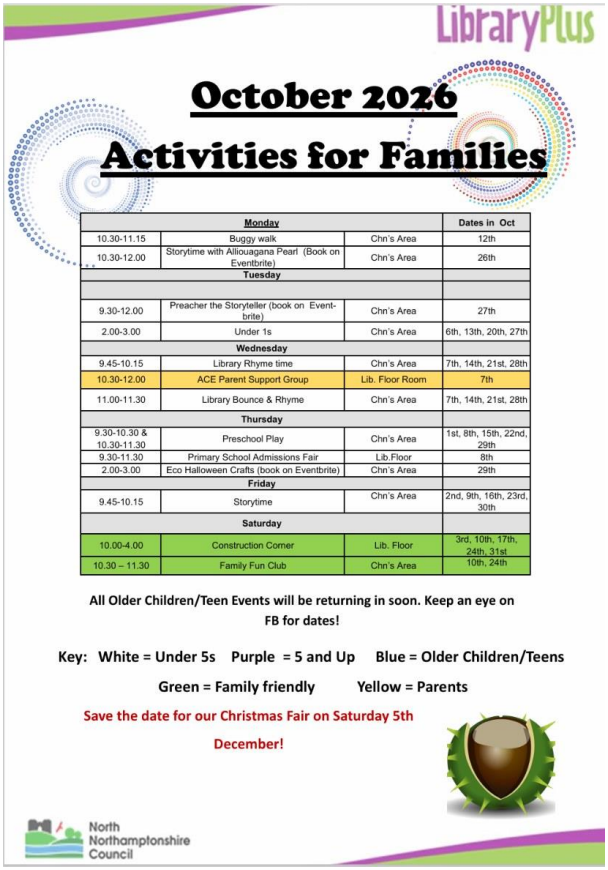
9.45am to 10.15am. Storytime. Children's Area. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 October.

Saturday

10am to 4pm. Construction Corner. Library Floor. 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 October.

10.30am to 11.30am. Family Fun Club. Children's Area. 10 to 24 October

You can find a full list of bookable events for Wellingborough Library on their Eventbrite page Wellingborough Library



LibraryPlus

October 2026

Activities for Families

Monday			Dates in Oct
10.30-11.15	Buggy walk	Chn's Area	12th
10.30-12.00	Storytime with Allouagana Pearl (Book on Eventbrite)	Chn's Area	26th
Tuesday			
9.30-12.00	Preacher the Storyteller (book on Event-brite)	Chn's Area	27th
2.00-3.00	Under 1s	Chn's Area	6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
Wednesday			
9.45-10.15	Library Rhyme time	Chn's Area	7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
10.30-12.00	ACE Parent Support Group	Lib. Floor Room	7th
11.00-11.30	Library Bounce & Rhyme	Chn's Area	7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Thursday			
9.30-10.30 & 10.30-11.30	Preschool Play	Chn's Area	1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th
9.30-11.30	Primary School Admissions Fair	Lib.Floor	8th
2.00-3.00	Eco Halloween Crafts (book on Eventbrite)	Chn's Area	29th
Friday			
9.45-10.15	Storytime	Chn's Area	2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th
Saturday			
10.00-4.00	Construction Corner	Lib. Floor	3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st
10.30 – 11.30	Family Fun Club	Chn's Area	10th, 24th

All Older Children/Teen Events will be returning in soon. Keep an eye on FB for dates!

Key: White = Under 5s Purple = 5 and Up Blue = Older Children/Teens

Green = Family friendly Yellow = Parents

Save the date for our Christmas Fair on Saturday 5th December!

North Northamptonshire Council

Anime and Comic Club

By Wellingborough Library

13 October, 27 October 4pm to 5pm

Meet other enthusiasts. Sketch, chat and share ideas. Watch video clips and relax. All cosplayers welcome. For 11 to 17 year olds only Please visit our Eventbrite page to book your free space Anime and Comic Club Tickets, Multiple dates | Eventbrite

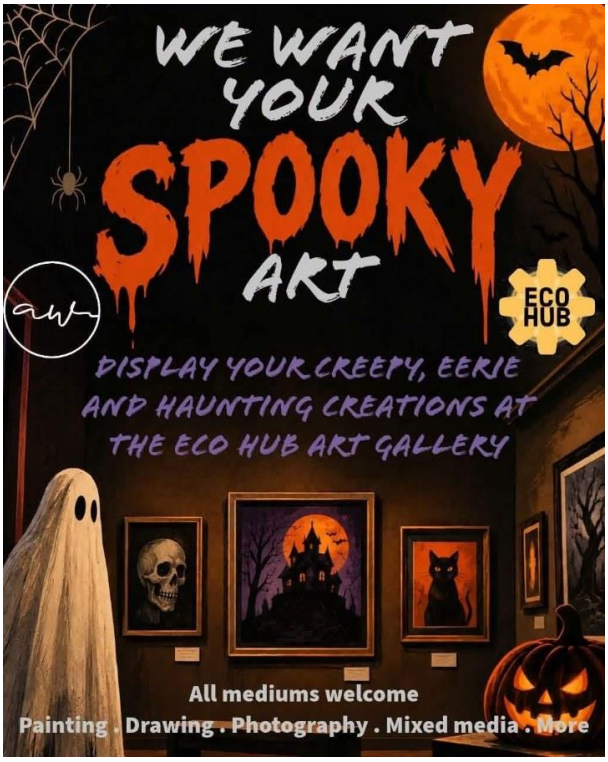
We want your Spooky Art

Display your creepy, eerie and haunting creations at the ECO Hub Art Gallery

All mediums welcome, painting, drawing, photography, mixed media and more.

Open to all ages

Find us in the Swansgate Centre, Wellingborough on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays



Sew Social

2-4pm Saturdays at the Eco Hub, Swansgate Centre

Come and check out our new craft space!

Bring along your project, start something new, or simply come for a chat and a cuppa. We'd love to hear what you'd like to see happening in our new space.

What workshops or courses would you like us to run?

Whether it's sewing, knitting, embroidery, crafts, upcycling or something completely different — we want your ideas!

Come along, meet us and help us shape the space into something for everyone.

Bub Club Wellingborough

By Made With Many

Hemmingwell Community & Skills Centre, 127 Nest Farm Crescent, Wellingborough NN8 4TU

Creative play and movement sessions for families with under 5s

FREE for Wellingborough and Corby residents!

Join Sophie from Mustard Seeds Dance for creative movement and sensory play using materials to create a magical space filled with imagination and fun for babies and very young children. Children are invited to take the lead in these free sessions suitable for parents and carers with early years children aged 0-4yrs. Please wear comfortable clothes that you're happy to move in!

Find out more about Bub Club at Hemmingwell (including all term dates) by clicking HERE. Check if you are within our funded areas of Corby and Wellingborough.

PLEASE NOTE: Pre booking is essential, and you must book for every child and adult attending. Booking closes 2 hours before session start. Spaces are strictly limited for everyone's safety and enjoyment of the session. No walk up spaces will be available if fully booked online so please book your spaces in advance. If you have prebooked and can no longer attend, please cancel your ticket so that the space be taken by another family.

Access info: There is a car park at the front of the venue with accessible parking.This venue has step-free access suitable for a wheelchair/mobility scooter user.This venue has an accessible WC and baby change facilities.

To reserve your free space please visit our Eventbrite page Bub Club Wellingborough Tickets, Multiple dates | Eventbrite

Wellingborough Festival of Lights

Unity in Light - Bringing Our Community Together

We are delighted to announce the Wellingborough Festival of Lights 2026 - a celebration of culture, creativity, community and togetherness.

Saturday 31st October 2026

This year, the celebrations will take place across Wellingborough town centre, with activities at:

Wellingborough Library | 11am–3pm Arts & Crafts, Children's Storytelling

Swansgate Shopping Centre | 11am–3pm Dance Performances, Arts & Crafts Workshops

Market Square | 3pm–9pm Live Performances, Food & Craft Stalls, Children's Activities

Festival Light Switch-On – 7.00pm

There will also be interactive workshops and activities during October at Wellingborough Museum and The Castle Theatre.

This is a celebration for everyone - bringing our community together to share, experience and celebrate the richness of our diverse cultures and traditions.

One Community • One Celebration • One Festival of Lights. Please share this post with your family, friends and community and help us spread the word!

Wellingborough Tabletop Games Club Now on a Friday and Sunday

Find us on Facebook [Wellingborough Tabletop Games Facebook]

First session Free.

Friday Night 7pm to 11pm at The Kingsway Centre.

Sundays 2pm to 6pm at The Kingsway Centre

Open for all ages 13 plus. Whether you're completely new to tabletop gaming or a seasoned veteran, everyone is welcome.

Featured Games: Board Games, War Games, Trading Card Games, Role Playing Games (RPGs).

Tuck Shop. Hobby and Painting Corner.

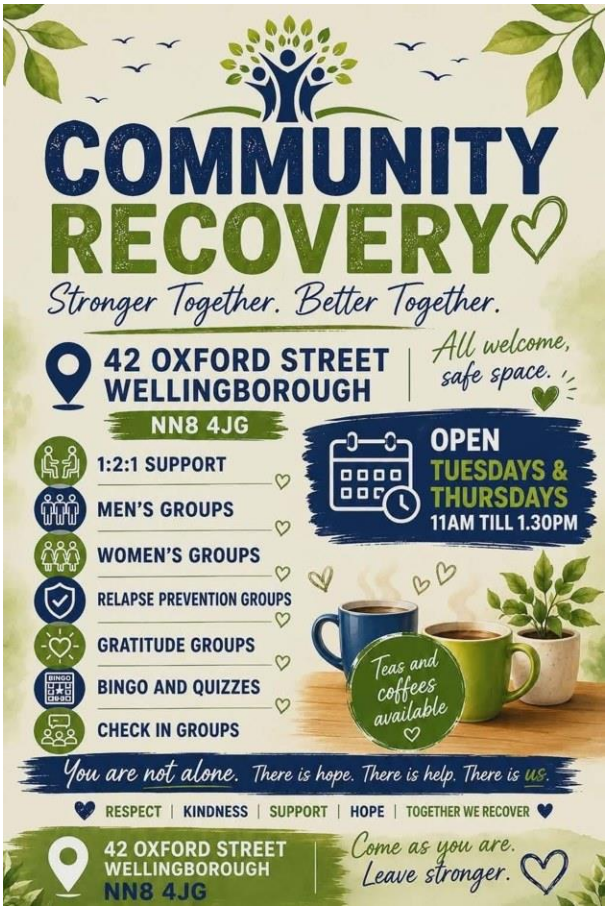
Community Recovery Stronger Together. Better Together. All welcome, safe space.

Open Tuesdays and Thursdays 11am to 1.30pm

1 to 1 Support. Men's Groups. Women's groups. Replace prevention groups. Gratitude groups. Bingo and Quizzes. Check in Groups.

You are not alone. There is hope, there is help, there is us. Respect, Kindness, Support, Hope, together we recover.

42 Oxford Street, Wellingborough, NN8 4JG. Come as you are. Leave stronger.



WTFC Limitless Panthers

Disability Football Pathway for 12 to 16 Year Olds

Inclusive, everyone welcome. Develop your skills. Build Friendships. Be limitless.

Starting September 2026.

Venue: The Dog and Duck Stadium, London Road, Wellingborough NN8 2DP

First 4 weeks Free! After this you'll receive a training shirt and a bottle, and it becomes £10 a month.

Contact us at wtfclimitless@gmail.com to find more.

Limitless Disability Football

Wellingborough Town Football Club Limitless

We're Back Home! We're back home to the Dog and Duck Stadium from 4 August, 6pm to 7pm.

Disability Football for 5 to 11 year olds.

4 weeks being FREE as a trial.

Book your slot here Clubspark / Comets / Opportunities / Summary

All abilities welcome, develop confidence, be part of something special #Limitless

Football Girls Only Sessions on Fridays Back 4th September

Premier League Kicks new Girls only session we are starting on Friday 3rd July at 4pm at Queensway Park, Queensway by Glamis Hall.

The sessions are free to attend for girls aged 8-18. Parents can sign up via the QR code on the poster below or by visiting Premier League Kicks — Northampton Town FC Community Trust

Further information about the Premier League Kicks programme can be found here: Football Community Programme - Premier League Kicks

Autism Kids Club is on Every Saturday

A fun, relaxed space where autistic children can play, explore, and just be themselves. No pressure, no expectations, come and enjoy at your own pace. We've got: Creative activities & crafts, Puzzles & board games, Lego & bricks, Reading area, Toy house & pretend play kitchen, Educational table, Big toy box

Parents and carers can enjoy tea & coffee, with free fruit for the kids Free to attend, no need to book, all ages welcome! Autism Kids Club. Learning to make friends through play.

We offer a welcoming, free Saturday morning space at Mill Road Baptist Church (64 Thomas Street, NN8 1DU)

Every Saturday, typically 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (sometimes extended to 12:00 PM).

Finedon, Wollaston, Irchester, Bozeat, Wilby, Great Doddington, Earls Barton and Grendon

New Youth Darts Sessions Irchester

Ages 11-17 years

Training Matches, competitions. Step up to the oche and meet new friends

Wednesdays, 7.00-8.30pm

Starts 4th November First session free after that £3

For more Information winnermg71@gmail.com Irchester Working Men's Club, 5 High Street, Irchester, NN29 7AA

Wollaston Heritage Society Pumpkin Hunt

Wednesday 28th October 1.30-3.30pm

Children £1 Adults free

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Craft table, lucky dip, refreshments.

Beacon Hill, High Street, Wollaston

Halloween Community Stay and Play

Wollaston primary School – open to all children below school age

Friday 23rd October 10.00-11.00am

Come and play and enjoy some Halloween crafts, fancy dress optional.

Call 01933 664291 to book a space

Finedon Tots Group

Wesleyan Chapel, Affleck Bridge, Finedon. £2.50 per family.

From Tuesday 15th September. Tuesday 9.30am to 11.30am.

Tea/Coffee/Juice and water included. Biscuits for snack. Craft activity Autumn Trees.

Toys and resources suitable for all babies/children up to 5 years old.

Wilby and Great Doddington Squirrels for 4-6 year olds

Join our new exciting section! At Wilby and Great Doddington

Squirrels for ages 4 to 6 years.

Make new friends, learn new skills, be part of something big.

Starting Tuesdays from 22 September 2026 at Wilby and Great Doddington.

Come along, have fun and be yourself.

Contact: Gem Broadhead by telephone: 07812508711 wilbyg.dodsquirrels@outlook.com

Earls Barton Youth Club. For Children in years 3 to 6

Youth Club will be back Thursday 10 September.

6.30pm to 8pm. £1 entry fee. Sports, Games and crafts. Tuck shop available.

We can't wait to see you then.

New Members please contact us to arrange completing a membership form

Facebook Earls Barton Youth Club

Earls Barton Youth Club

50 Harrowick Lane, Earls Barton, Northampton, NN6 0HD

Open to the Community Finedon Hope, Stability and Resilient Futures Project

Foodbank. Coffee Morning. Workshop. Games, Art & Craft. Training. Referrals and Signposting. Advice. Budgeting. Movies.

Walk-in Every Tuesday 10am to 3pm for support.

More volunteers to help run this project in Finedon are needed. To join the team of volunteers, email admin@bakupcic.co.uk or call 01933698347

At Finedon Community Centre NN9 5LG

Irchester Scout Group opens Squirrels section for ages 4-6

Great News!! 1st Irchester Scout Group will be opening their new Squirrels section from September 21st.

For ages 4-6, meeting Mondays from 17:00-18:00 Irchester Village Hall.

For more information Email scoutgroupirchester@gmail.com.

We have 2 New Leaders starting their journey to be ready for your little ones. If you think that you might like to be part of the team, use the same email address, or pop in on a Monday evening when we are in the village Hall.

UpLiftHours New Drop In Youth Group Finedon Community Centre

Ages 10-18 (up to 25 with SEND)

Mondays to Thursdays 3.00pm-6.00pm Saturdays 12.00pm-4.00pm

Just Walk in - Arts and Crafts, Table Tennis, Boxing, Podcasting and Social Media, Basketball, Guitar Lessons, CV Writing, DJing, Open Mic, Poetry

Free Entry Finedon Community Centre, 71 Wellingborough Road, Finedon NN9 5LG

For more information please contact admin@bacupcic.co.uk or telephone 01933 698347

East Northants

Rushden and Higham Ferrers, Raunds, Irthlingborough, Thrapston, Oundle

Rushden and Higham Ferrers

Children's Halloween Workshop - Friday 30th October 2026

Get ready for some spooky science this Halloween!

On Friday 30th October, Rushden Town Council will be hosting a special Halloween Children's Workshop, with sessions running throughout the day from 10am at Rushden Hall, Hall Park, Rushden, NN10 9ES

The highlight will be six exciting science shows, each lasting approximately 30 minutes and packed with spectacular experiments and visual effects.

Children can enjoy colour-changing potions, bubbling potions, flammable bubbles, elephant toothpaste and amazing dry ice demonstrations – all presented in a fun and engaging show.

With six shows taking place throughout the day, there will be plenty of opportunities for children to join in the Halloween fun.

Friday 30 October Sessions from 10am

Six science shows throughout the day

A spooky, fun-filled day for children and families! **To book Please visit** [Children's Halloween Workshop - Friday 30th October 2026 | Rushden Town Council]

Peculiar Pumpkin Patch at Rushden Lakes

It's back...and more peculiar than ever! Join us this October half-term on Central Boulevard for two days of spooky fun:

Crack the Peculiar Pumpkin Code

Play spooky games

Meet peculiar Halloween characters

FREE Halloween transfers (ages 4+)

Halloween prize included

Pick a mini pumpkin or squash to take home

29th & 30th October (Various time slots) £3.50 per child | Adults free Book now [Rushden Lakes Kids club event tickets from TicketSource.]

Rushden Library October Activities

Rhyme Time Every Monday and Wednesday 10.00-10.30am

Baby Time Every Tuesday term Time only 10.00-11.00am

Explore a Story Every Thursday term Time Only 10.00-11.00am

Retro Gaming Every Tuesday 3.50-5.30pm Under 18's must be accompanied by an adult

Lego Club Every Saturday 10.00am-12.00pm

Chess Club Every Friday Under 18's must be accompanied by an adult 3.00-5.00pm

For all other Family and young people's events such as Manga Drawing Club, Dungeons and Dragons, Book social please check out our Facebook page Rushden Library Facebook

Rushden Library Get Online Digital day 20th October 10am-4pm

Free Help and Advice. Help with your technology and devices, explore VR, access digital services, showcase of library and community resources, games, play the classics - experience the future

For more information email rushden.libraryplus@northnorthants.gov.uk

Group	Details	Frequency (check our socials for more details)	Time
Rhyme Time	Singing group for toddlers, Under 5 years old	Every week in **term time** Monday & Wednesday	10:00-10:30
Baby Time	Sensory play and singing for 0-1 year olds	Every week in **term time** Tuesday	10:00-11:00
Explore A Story	Story and a related craft for 1-5 year olds	Every week in **term time** Thursday	10:00-11:00
Retro Gaming	Drop-in retro gaming for all ages (**under 18s MUST be accompanied by an adult**)	Every Tuesday	3:30-5:30
Lego Club	Build something together with Lego! (**under 18s MUST be accompanied by an adult**)	Every week Saturday	10:00-12:00

Group	Details	Frequency (check our socials for more details)	Time
Rushden Museum Talk	A visit to Rushden's past hosted by Peter and Gill with the Rushden Museum	Tuesday 6th October	2:00-3:00
Nick Penny Author Talk	Join Nick Penny to talk about "Call of the Kingfisher", a love letter to a short stretch of river near his Northamptonshire home.	Saturday 24th October Book FREE tickets here:	2:00- 3:00

Group	Details	Frequency (check our socials for more details)	Time
Book club	For ages 18+ to talk about books within a chosen theme or our recommended book Book being discussed in October: The Kite Runner by Khaled Hossaini	Monthly Thursday 1st October Next one: November 5th - Frankenstein by Mary Shelley (Collect your copy from the library)	4:30-5:30
Manga Group	Manga drawing group for school years 7-13	**Date to be confirmed** Please check our Facebook	2:00-3:00
TBC	Social, book centred group for school years 7-13	**Date to be confirmed** Please check our Facebook	4:00-5:00
Knitting Group	Group for experienced, or new knitters	Every week Thursday	2:00-4:00
Dungeons & Dragons	Our Dungeons and Dragons group! Drop-in and join us for a role-playing adventure with our fantastic Dungeon Masters. Age 16+	**Date to be confirmed** Please check our Facebook	1:00-4:00
Friendship Café	Social group with tea, coffee, and cakes	Friday 30th October	10:00-12:00
Chess Club	Casual games for any age and ability. (**Under 18s MUST be accompanied by an adult**) Boards are provided	Every Friday	3:00-5:00

Rushden and Higham Under Fives Groups

Toddlers Together in Rushden Local, Church Run, Term Time, Toddler Groups.

Monday: Bumps and Babes, 10am to 11.30am. £1.50 per family. St Mary's Church Rushden, followed by Beanz Club.

Wednesday: Sunbeams. 1pm to 2.30pm. £1.50 per family. St Peter's Parish Church.

Thursday: Tots and Tiddlers, 9.30am to 11.30am. £1.50 per family. St Peter's Parish Church.

Friday: Sparklers, 9.30am to 11.15am. £1 per family. Highfield Baptist Church.

1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays: Little Doves, 9.30am to 11.30am, £1.50 per family Hope Methodist Church, Higham Ferrers.

Rushden Happiness Hub in Partnership with Action for Happiness

A friendly weekly community group where you can connect, share ideas and explore simple ways to improve wellbeing and create a happier, kinder community.

When: Every Monday 10am to 11.30am

Where: Rushden Mind, Phoenix House, Skinner's Hill, Rushden NN10 9YE

Explore the Ten Keys to Happier Living

Giving, Relating, Awareness, Direction, Resilience, Acceptance and more.

Join us for a cuppa, conversation, connection and simple ways to improve wellbeing in a friendly and welcoming environment.

Find out more: Karl.olson@northamptonshiremind.org.uk Telephone: 07516 028914.

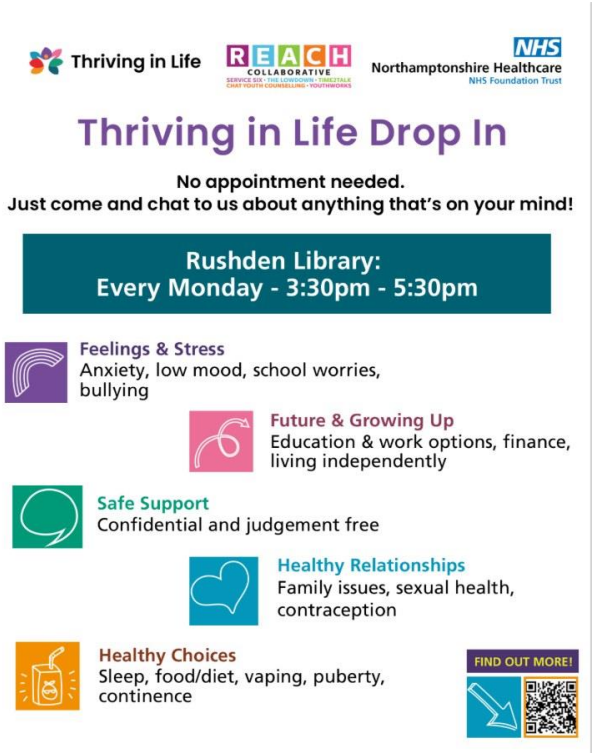
Thriving in Life Drop In Every Monday at Rushden Library

No appointment needed. Just come and chat to us about anything that's on your mind. Rushden Library: Every Monday between 3.30pm to 5.30pm We can talk about:

Feelings and Stress, anxiety, low mood, school worries and bullying. Future and growing up. Education and work options, finance and living independently. Safe Support. Confidential and judgement free.

We can help with Healthy relationship advice, Family issues, sexual health and contraception. Healthy Choices, issues with sleep, food/diet, vaping, Puberty and continence.

Scan the QR code on the bottom right corner of the image to find out more.



Higham and Rushden Judo Club

Not Kicking. Not punching. Just the original martial art.

Judo teaches children real self-defence, focus and resilience and it's one of the most fun things they'll ever do on a mat.

At Higham and Rushden Judo Club your child gets: Real judo throws and competitions, Belt gradings every three months. Life skills programme. A community that feels like family.

First month Half Price, Free Taster Session [Higham Rushden Judo Club - Martial Arts in Higham Rushden]

Book free lesson here [Timetable - Higham-rushden-judo-club]

Raunds, Stanwick and Ringsted

Light Up Drill Tower

Join Raunds Fire Station on Sunday 1st November 2026 for their annual Light Up the Drill Tower charity event!

Bring along your best carved pumpkin for £2, and it'll be stacked in the drill tower, ready to be lit up! And with prizes for the best pumpkin and best fancy dress, you could even go home a winner!

You'll be able to find..

Hot food; Sweet stalls; Cake stalls; Face glitter art; Hot drinks; Fire engine bar for the grown ups; Tombola; Fairground rides;

Octopus Sound and Light will be lighting up the tower and the skies and providing some music too.

Entry to the event is free of charge, although donations are welcome, as all money raised at the event will go to the Fire Fighters Charity, which supports every member of the fire services community, during and after service.

For more information, visit the event page: (1) Light up the Drill Tower | Facebook

Halloween Charity Event at Raunds Football Club

Halloween Charity Event

Free Activities: Face Painting, Temporary Tattoos, Pumpkin Painting and more.

Music, Reffle Prizes, Costume Contest

Join us at Raunds football club on the 24th of October for some Halloween fun !

Free activities, spooky music, delicious food. Plus more !!

£3 a ticket (under 3 go free).

Start and end time 4pm to 7pm Order tickets online at Tickets: Halloween charity event | Raunds Football Club Wellingborough Sat 24 October 2026

Raunds Youth Drop In

Fridays 3.30pm to 5pm. Saxon Hall.

Free to attend

Pool table, Table Tennis, consoles, board games, free Toast and more.

Typically during term-time only.

See Friday Night Youth - Nene Valley Vineyard Church for latest dates for latest dates, info and consent forms

1st Raunds Scout Group have places available for new Beavers, Cubs and Scouts

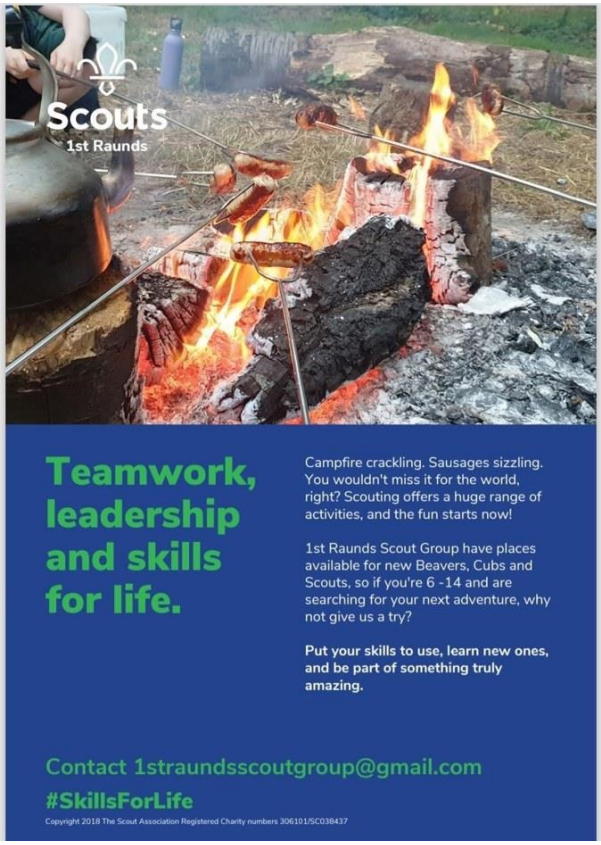
Teamwork, leadership and skills for life.

Campfire crackling. Sausages sizzling. You wouldn't miss it for the world, right? Scouting offers a huge range of activities, and the fun starts now!

1st Raunds Scout Group have places available for new Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, so if you're 6 to 14 and are searching for your next adventure, why not give us a try? 1st Raunds | Scouts

Put your skills to use, learn new ones and be part of something truly amazing.

Contact 1straundsscoutgroup@gmail.com

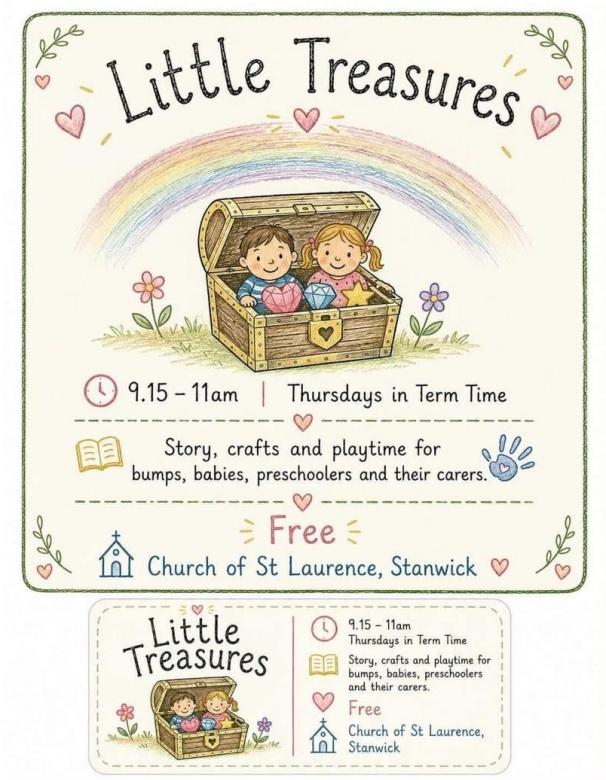


Little Treasures

9.15am to 11am Thursdays in Term Time.

Story, crafts and playtime for bumps, babies, preschoolers and their carers.

Free. Church of St Laurence, Stanwick.



Brook Farm Animal Sanctuary Open Day

11th October from 11am

Come and help us raise vital funds for our animals.

£3 entry children under 14 free if accompanied with an adult.

Dogs on lead welcome.

Sheep, cow and pig feeding.

Come meet our wonderful animals and enjoy a relaxing day out. Veggie bbq, cakes stalls, bouncy castle.

October Open day | Facebook

BFAS (Brook Farm Animal Sanctuary) - Raunds, Northamptonshire BFAS - Brook Farm Animal Sanctuary, Brooks Road, Raunds, NN9 6NS, 07758 728265, admin@bfas.org.uk

Little Movers.

Fun, active play for families with 0-5 year old children. Focussing on building a lifelong love of movement, creating skills and confidence in a welcoming safe space.

Cost: Free **Term Time only Mondays 1.30pm to 2.45pm**

Location: Saxon Hall, Raunds, NN9 6LT

To book, families can:

- Scan the QR code on the poster and search for **Little Movers**, or
- Visit the **Family Hub Digital Front Door** and book directly through there (Family Hubs North Northants) Bookings open every Tuesday

Irthlingborough

The Quest of all Quests for ages 10-16

Preacher The Storyteller By Irthlingborough Library

Tuesday, October 27 • 2pm to 3:30pm

The game of all games! Storytelling bought to life for 10-16 year olds

The game of all games, the quest of all quests...Step into your creative world by joining Preacher The Storyteller at Irthlingborough Library on 27th October from 2 - 3.30pm for a fun, interactive session designed for young people aged 10-16.

This free event has been funded by the UK Government, in partnership with The Reading Agency, as part of the National Year of Reading.

To reserve your free space please visit our Eventbrite page [Preacher The Storyteller Tickets, Tuesday, October 27 • 2 PM - 3:30 PM | Eventbrite] Irthlingborough library, High Street, Irthlingborough NN9 5PU

Irthlingborough Library October Activities

Colour and Connect New Monthly Drop in with the Family Hubs Monday 12th October 2.30-3.30pm

Scam Awareness Talk Monday 19th October 2.00-4.00pm

Rhymetime Special with Story Time Tuesday 20th October 10.00am

Stoptober Drop In Wednesday 21st October 11.00am-1.30pm

Police Surgery Wednesday 21st October 1.00-3.00pm

Computer Help Drop In Thursday 22nd October 10.00am-12.00pm

Tiger Tea Party with CANDO Care Integrated Story Time Thursday 22nd October 1.30pm Limited Spaces Booking Only through Eventbrite

Half Term Crafts and Play Monday 26th - Friday 30th October 9.00am-4.00pm

Children's Mental health team Half term Activities Monday 26th October 10.00am-12.00pm

LibraryPlus

WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

Activity	Details	Day/Time
Chair Pilates Session with Chloe Goodman	See how Chair Pilates could benefit you with this **free** taster session	**Wednesday 7th October 2-3pm**
New Monthly Drop-in Colour and Connect Family Hub Drop-In	**Information and advice** to parents and carers about family hubs with a colouring activity	**Monday 12th October 2.30 – 3.30pm**
Scam awareness talk with Nationwide	**Get Online week** - Practical advice on how to recognise, avoid, and report common scams.	**Monday 19th October 2-4pm**
Rhymtime Special with Story Time	Join us for a **sing and a story**! 'Gruffalo Granny'	**Tuesday 20th October 10.00am**
Stoptober Drop-in	**Advice and support** for those who want to quit smoking	**Wednesday 21st October 11 – 1.30pm**
Police Surgery	Meet with your **local Community Support Officer** to discuss concerns	**Wednesday 21st October 1-3pm**
Computer Help Drop-in	As part of **Get Online Week**, Higham and Rushden U3A are offering help with any computer related problems	**Thursday 22nd October 10-12pm**
Tiger Tea Party with CANDO Care	An intergenerational story time in the CANDO Care room. Cakes and refreshments provided – **Limited spaces. Booking Only through Eventbrite.**	**Thursday 22nd October 1.30pm**
Half Term Crafts and Play	A selection of **spooky crafts** available all week in the library.	**Monday 26th – Friday 30th October 9 - 4pm**
Children's Mental health team Half Term Crafts	A Selection of **crafts and activities** to support children's mental health provided by the NHFT team.	**Monday 26th October 10.00 – 12pm**

North Northamptonshire Council

Irthlingborough Food Bank

We have moved

Our new location is Warren Close NN9 5TJ. Please note: Access is at the end of the close on the left via several steps.

Access the Food Bank's website Home and Facebook page facebook irthlingborough foodbank

For more information or call 07804 857 119

Thrapston and Titchmarsh

Nene Valley Parent Support Group

A friendly group for parents and carers of children aged 0 to 4 years. A place to meet others, share experiences and relax together.

Thursdays at 10am. Thrapston Community Library.

Supported by North Northants Council, Nene Valley Surgery, Universal Credit and others.

Telephone number: 01832 742005

Email: trapstoncml@gmail.com

Wellbeing Monthly Walk at Lyveden

We have an exciting monthly new wellbeing walk at Lyveden! Our walk leaders have been out testing the route and got a little wet during a hailstorm!! It's a lovely addition to the programme; we look forward to the first one!!!!

Meeting in the main car park PE8 5AT at 1:15pm for a relaxed pace 3-mile walk **Wednesday 14th October**

To find out more about all of the wellbeing walks taking place across North Northamptonshire, visit: Wellbeing Walk schedule | North Northamptonshire Council

Oundle

The Quest of all Quests for 10-16 year olds

Preacher the Storyteller creative workshop By Oundle Library

Friday, October 30 • 11am to 12:30pm

Calling all 10-16 year olds! Come and join Preacher as he takes you on the Quest of all Quests at this free creative session.

Preacher the Storyteller is coming to Oundle library to bring us the Quest of all Quests adventure! Join him for this creative session where you will be guided on journey to fuel your creative thinking and shape the foundations of a legendary game.

You must book a ticket for all participants who will be attending aged 10-16.

If you are no longer able to attend, please cancel your ticket via Eventbrite so that other children can book onto the event. If you have any difficulties with the Eventbrite website and are unable to cancel your ticket, please contact the library. You can call us on 0300 126 3000 or email us at oundle.libraryplus@northnorthants.gov.uk

To book please visit our Eventbrite page [Preacher the Storyteller creative workshop Tickets, Friday, October 30 • 11 AM - 12:30 PM | Eventbrite] Tickets will be released to book from 16 October at 9am but Eventbrite will send you a reminder email on the day if you are interested in the event.

Oundle Library, Glapthorn Road, Oundle PE8 4JA

October What's on at Oundle Library

Tuesday Rhymetime 11am to 11.30am. 6, 13, 20 Under 5's Booking required.

Wednesday Storytime and Craft. 10am to 11am. 7, 14, 21 October. Under 5's. Booking required.

Friday Baby Time. 10am to 11am. 2, 9, 16 and 23 October. Under 1's. Booking Required.

The Sling Library. 23 October. Booking via the Sling Library Website.

Preacher the Storyteller half-term creative workshop. 11am to 12.30pm. 30 October.

For ages 10 to 16. Join Preacher for a creative quest of all quests adventure. Booking Required.

Halloween Costume swap rail.

From 1 October we will also have our free Halloween costume swap rail out for you.

To book a place for bookable sessions please visit the Oundle Library Eventbrite page, either by searching us on the Eventbrite website/app or by using the link Oundle Library Alternatively, you can scan the QR code on the diary

If you need further information about this please email us at oundle.libraryplus@northnorthants.gov.uk call us on 0300 126 3000 option 5, option 3, or message us on Facebook.

Poetry Competition Oundle Library

To Celebrate National Poetry Day on 1 October, we are launching a special poetry competition at Oundle Library.

The Theme for this year's National Poetry Day is "Wonder", so we are inviting adults and children to join us by writing their own poem around this theme. You can create any type of poem as long as the central theme is that of "Wonder".

The Friends of Oundle Library have kindly donated a book token for the winner of both the adult and child poem categories.

All you need to do is pop into the library to pick up a poetry template sheet and return your completed 'Wonder' poem to us by October 22 so that they can be judged independently.

We will be keeping the entries out on display in the library throughout October and then the two winning entries will be framed and kept in a special place for everyone to see.

LibraryPlus

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North Northamptonshire Council

PJBA Badminton sessions in Oundle

We're excited to launch a brand new weekly badminton session for children aged 5+ at Prince William School.

Thursdays 5–7pm Prince William School, Herne Road, Oundle, PE8 4BS

Whether your child has never picked up a racket before or already loves playing, our sessions offer a fun, friendly and supportive environment where they can:

Learn new badminton skills

Build confidence

Make new friends

Get active and have fun

All abilities are welcome and every new player can come along for a FREE trial session to see if they like it! For your FREE TRIAL, scan the QR code on the poster or register here: PJBA - Oundle Badminton Academy Registration Form

Oundle Town Netball Club is looking for more junior players!

Oundle Town Netball Club is a friendly and inclusive community netball club based in Oundle, Northamptonshire and we're welcoming all players ages 13-15yrs to join us for this coming season.

Please get in touch with Maddy at OTNC.info@gmail.com for more information

Come see the Social Inclusion Team for Advice on Benefits and Support, Household Budgeting and Credit Union

Stop the wolves from knocking on your door. Come and see the Social Inclusion Team for advice on:

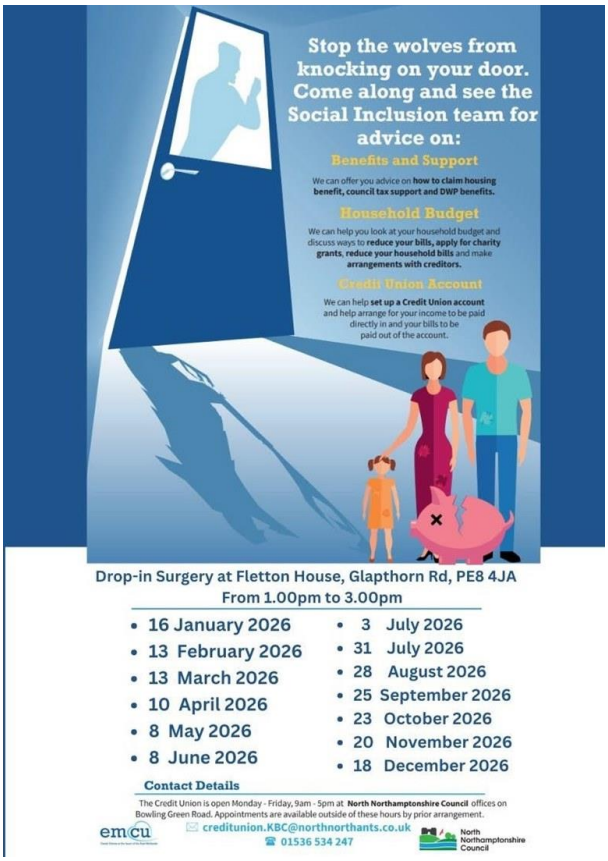
Benefits and Support: We can offer advice on how to claim housing benefit, council tax support and Department of Work and Pensions benefits.

Household Budget We can help you look at your household budget and discuss ways to reduce your bills, apply for charity grants, reduce your household bills and make arrangements with creditors.

Credit Union Account We can help set up a Credit Union account and help arrange for your income to be paid directly in and your bills to be paid out of the account.

Drop-in Surgery at Fletton House, Glapthorn Road, PE8 4JA from 1pm to 3pm. 25 September 2026, 23 October 2026, 20 November 2026, 18 December 2026.

The Credit Union is open Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm at North Northamptonshire Council offices on Bowling Green Road. Appointments are available outside of those hours by prior arrangement. The Email is: creditunion.KBC@northnorthants.co.uk Telephone: 01536 534 247



Kettering

Kettering, Burton Latimer and Barton Seagrave, Desborough and Rothwell

Kettering

The Hangout@Isebrook Youth Club

Join us every Tuesday during term time, from 6:30pm–8pm at Isebrook School, Eastleigh Road, Kettering, NN15 6PT

Our friendly team of Youth Support Workers will be there with loads of activities to get involved in, including:

Sports & games

Board games

Arts & crafts

Fun activities and more!

Ages 11–18 (up to 25 for young people with SEN/D)

FREE to attend – always!

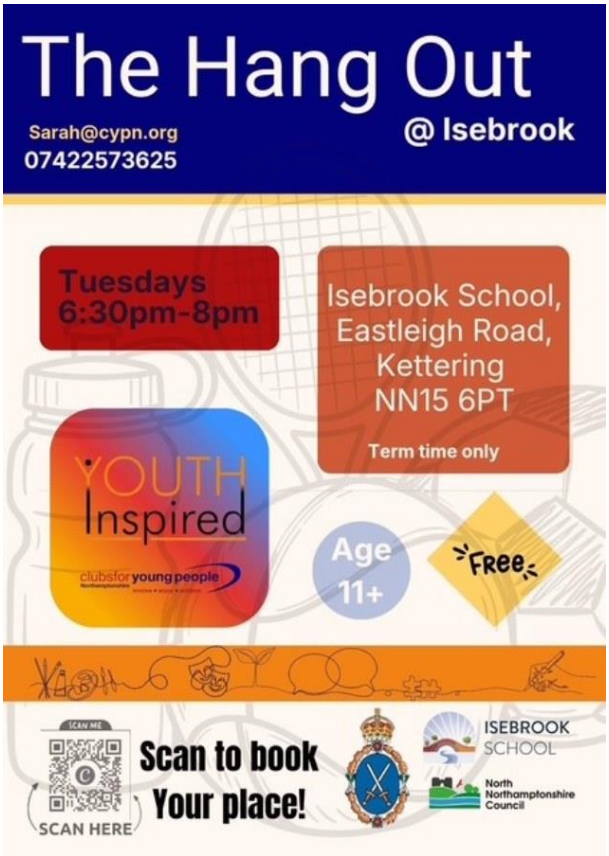
Tuck shop coming soon!

Prices will start from just 10p, with nothing costing more than £1.

Come along, meet new people, try something new and have fun!

To book please visit our Website Upcoming events - Booking by Bookwhen

Facebook Page The Hang Out in Kettering | Facebook



Sea of Support Autumn Express Yourself day

Autumn Express Yourself Day

Wednesday 28th October 11.00am-2.00pm

£1.00 per child

Express Yourself though Movement on the Bouncy Castle, Through Ats and Crafts, Through Music, The sensory quiet area

Tuck shop/Toy Shop (Fees apply)

Crescents Community Centre, Kettering

Sea of Support Evening Meeting

Mark Your Calendars! Our evening meeting on Tuesday, 13th October, 7.30-9.30pm is going to be a gamechanger!

We'll be diving into crucial conversations that might be tough to have but will ultimately empower us to prevent and manage challenging situations. Remember, our safe space is free from judgement, and we're thrilled to have Hope UK joining us to share their valuable resources!

If you can, please let us know you're coming so we can make sure to have enough resources for everyone. You can comment on our Facebook page Sea of Support Facebook or message us privately. Plus, SSS will be available for 1:1 appointments - don't miss this opportunity!

Any questions? Let us know

Making Waves SEND Youth Club October Dates

Making Waves Youth Club for ages 11 to 25 with SEND

When? 2 and 16 October 6.30pm to 8pm. 18 October 10am to 12 Noon.

Where? Kettering Family Hub, Montagu Street

Pool Table, Retro Computer Games, Board Games and crafts.

Welcoming, safe space to meet, play & create. Follow us on Facebook for updates Sea of Support Facebook

Or visit www.seaofsupport.co.uk

Youth Works Group Information

Monday

LGBTQ+ Group. Ages 11 to 16. 5pm to 6.30pm. Keystone, 97 Rockingham Road, NN16 9HX. Free of Charge

SEND Group. Ages 11 to 14. 5pm to 6pm. William Knibb, Montagu Street, NN16 8AE. Free of charge.

Circus Skills, families. 6pm to 7pm. William Knibb, Montagu Street, NN16 8AE. £1.50 per person.

Wednesday

Craftworks. Ages 11 to 18. 5.15pm to 6.45pm. Keystone, 97 Rockingham Road, NN16 9HX. Free of Charge.

Throne of Games. Ages 11 to 18. 6pm to 7.30pm. Keystone, 97 Rockingham Road, NN16 9HX. Free of Charge.

LGBTQ+ Group. Ages 14 to 18. 6.30pm to 8pm. Mind Corby, 18 Argyll Street, NN17 1RU. Free of change

Scan the QR code to register or call 01536 518339 or email enquiries@youthworksnorthamptonshire.org.uk

Thriving in Life Drop-In Support Kettering.

Keystone Centre, 97 Rockingham Road, NN16 9HX

Date: 3rd Thursday of every month. Time 4pm to 5pm.

No appointment needed. Just drop-in and chat to us about whats on your mind!

What we can support you with:

Making healthy choices e.g. sleep, food/diet, vaping

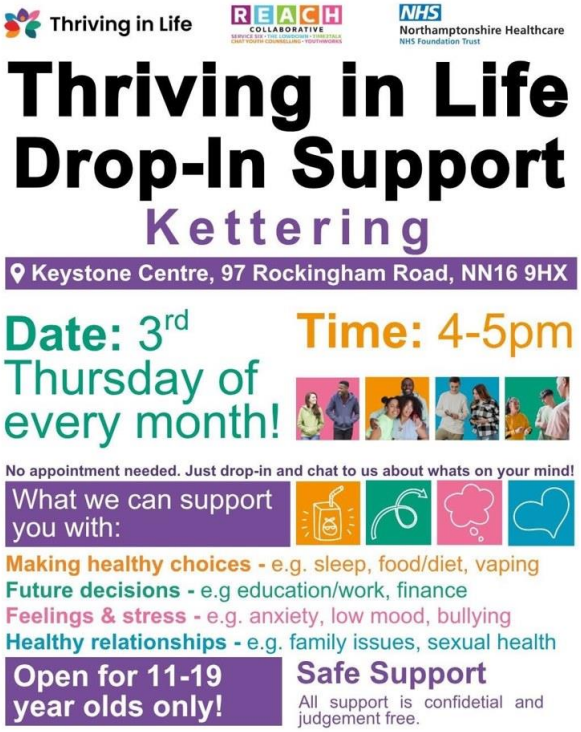
Future decisions e.g. education/work and finance.

Feelings and stress e.g. anxiety, low mood, bullying

Healthy relationships e.g. family issues, sexual health

Open for 11- to 19-year-olds only!

Safe Support, All support us confidential and judgement free.



The Cube Disability have new musical theatre sessions for children with SEN starting in September.

The are starting Cube Kids at their amazing new Kettering centre on Saturday 5 September. Sessions will run monthly and will include dancing, performing and sing and sign and are for children aged 5 and over.

Refreshments will be available for parents during the sessions.

First Session is Free

9.30pm to 11am (Ages 5+)

Email: cubekids@thecubedisability.co.uk for more information or book online at

Events — The Cube Disability Sessions held monthly at The Cube Disability, 1420 Montagu Court, Kettering Parkway, Kettering, NN15 6XR

New at Snapdragon and Bop - The Living Room

We wanted to create something a little different. This isn't a craft group. There's nothing you have to make, join in with or be good at. The Living Room is simply a safe, welcoming place to come and be around other people. Maybe you're lonely, bored at home, your circumstances have changed, or you'd just like to meet some new people.

Come in, grab a cuppa, have a chat and see where it goes. Hopefully, some wonderful new friendships will grow.

Starting Thursday 3rd September, 10am–12pm

Adults 18+ | £2 including tea/coffee & a biscuit

You don't need to know anyone. You don't need to bring anyone. Just come as you are.

And if walking through the door on your own feels a little scary, please message us beforehand — we'll make sure someone is there to welcome you. Snapdragon & Bop CIC is a community-led wellbeing hub in Kettering (254-256 Bath Road, NN16 9LX)

Kettering Karate Youth Club – Free 1 month Trial

By North Northants Sports & Welfare Club at St John Community HallKettering, England

Every Monday, join us at Kettering Karate Youth Club for a month of free trials to kick-start your martial arts journey! Aged 8 and over. We have limited spaces available for new students to join Kettering Shotokan Youth Karate Club.

Book on our Eventbrite page to reserve your spot! KETTERING KARATE YOUTH CLUB - FREE TRIAL FOR 1 MONTH Tickets, Multiple dates | Eventbrite After this, each lesson is £4 per lesson. - We make things affordable.

Kettering FC Disability Football

All Abilities, one team, everyone welcome. Free to take part.

Children (U16's) Fun, Friendship and Football for all abilities. Adults (16 plus) Inclusive football for everyone of all abilities.

From 5 to 6pm at Broughton Village Hall. Gate Lane, Broughton, Broughton Kettering NN14 1ND

Steve and Simon coach the adults and Henry/Callum/Drew coach the U16's.

Winter Training at KSP New Facilities 4G at 5pm to 6pm. U16's Paul 07810 553019 and Adults Simon 07795 178817

Youth Works Counselling

Here at Youth Works, we offer FREE counselling sessions to anyone aged 11-25 (up to 25 if you have a special educational needs/disabilities and access mainstream state funded school/college.) who live in the Boroughs of Corby or Kettering. The course of sessions tends to last 6-8 weeks with a 50-minute session at the same time each week.

To refer, fill in the form on our website: **Youth Works Referral** This form can be filled out by the young person, or their parent/carer or professional.

Any questions? Do not hesitate to send us a DM on Facebook, email (enquiries@youthworksnorthamptonshire.org.uk) or call 01536 518339

Burton Latimer and Barton Seagrave

Light Party

Burton Latimer Baptist Church would like to invite you to our Light Party and Tea.

Crafts. Hotdogs. Disco. Games.

Thursday 29 October

4pm to 6pm. John Yeomans Hall, Meeting Lane, Burton Latimer, NN15 5LS.

Adult £3 Child £1.

To boo, call Hannah on 07873353212 or blbccfw@outlook.com

Halloween Family Disco and Fancy Dress Competition

£3.00 a ticket under 2 free

Friday 30th October 7.00pm start

Prizes for the best costumes

Fun Games Music and more

Burton Latimer Community Centre

Please contact Gill for details and room hire 01536 723390 or email blcc1945@gmail.com

Kettering Darts Academy

We receive lots of enquiries from young people who don't meet the criteria for Kettering Arrows, and whilst we'd love to be able to accommodate everyone, our sessions are specifically designed for neurodivergent young people.

So, we are absolutely delighted that we can now point you in the direction of Kettering Darts Academy!

Kettering Darts Academy will soon be running sessions from the fabulous Burton Latimer band club giving even more local young people the opportunity to get involved in darts in a friendly and welcoming environment.

And the great news is that neurodivergent young people are also very welcome to join Kettering Darts Academy if they would like to!

We think this is fantastic news for the local darts community and we're really pleased to be able to help direct families to another great opportunity.

Kettering Arrows – specifically for neurodivergent young people

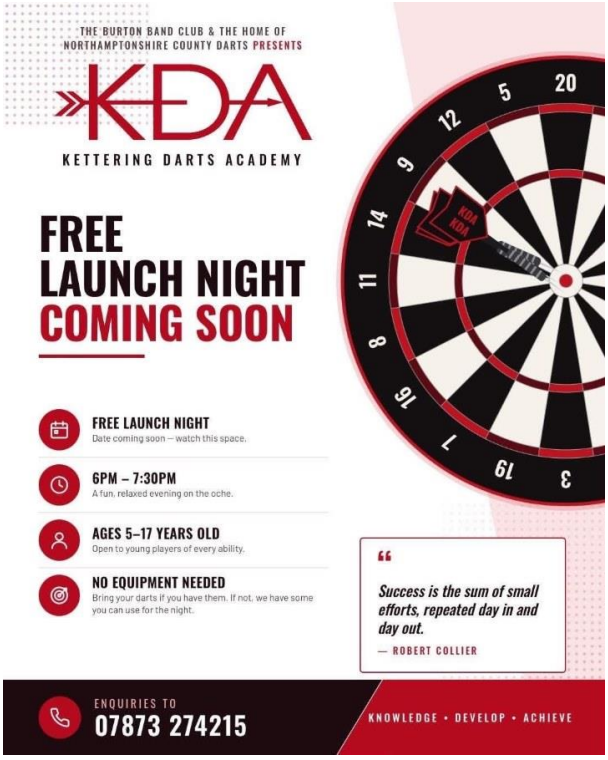
Kettering Darts Academy – open to young people of all abilities and backgrounds

6pm-7.30pm for ages 5-17 years Launch date coming soon

More information about Kettering Darts Academy will be coming soon, so keep your eyes peeled!

Two great opportunities. One fantastic venue. And hopefully lots more young people discovering the joy of darts!

For more information please visit ketteringarrows.org.uk or contact ketteringarrows@gmail.com Enquiries to 07873 274215



Burton Latimer Community Hub and Library

Free Drop-in. Last Tuesday of the Month 2pm to 5pm.

Three services, one drop in, here to support you.

Budget Support Outreach.

Our Social Inclusion to provide advice and support with, benefits, Budgeting, setting up a credit union account.

Employment and Disability Service (EADS)

Our support is focused on helping people start, stay and succeed in work. We work closely with the DWP, local job centres and local businesses (we can support employers to create inclusive and accessible recruitment pathways to support diversity in the workplace)

Ready to work? Our Connect to Work scheme will link you up to an Employment Development officer who will work with you to: identify everything you can do. Make the most of your skills, experience and ambitions in the workplace.

If you want to work, but need support overcoming barriers to work, apply for support online.

DWP Disability Employment Advice.

What Access to Work is: Access to Work can help you get or stay in work if you have a physical or mental health condition or disability.

The support you will get will depend on your needs. Through Access to Work, you can apply for: A grant to help pay for practical support for your work. Support with managing your mental health at work. Money to pay for communication support at Job Interviews. Removing barriers to help you achieve your goals.

Rothwell, Desborough and Mawsley

The Rothwell Run Around is back for October Half Term

Looking for something fun and active for the kids during the school break? Join us at Greening Road Park for an exciting morning of games, sports, and outdoor fun with friends!

Date: Thursday 29th October

Time: 10:00am – 11:30am

Location: Greening Road Park, Rothwell NN14 6JB

What3words: blogs.resolves.golden

All sessions are led by DBS-checked Rothwell Town Council staff and volunteers, ensuring a safe and welcoming environment for everyone.

What to bring:

• A grown-up

• A drink

• Trainers

• Clothing appropriate for the weather

For more information, call us on 01536 713252

Desborough Pumpkin Carving Competition and Parade

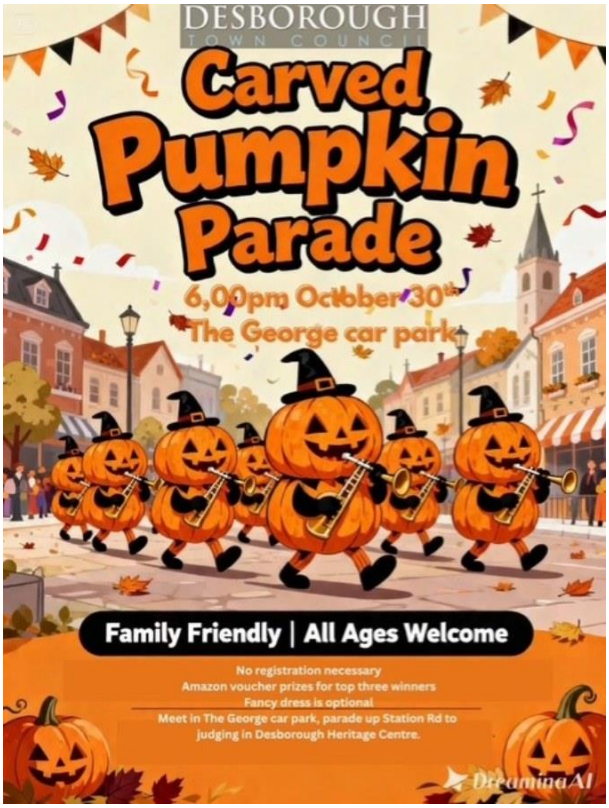
Live Love Local: Desborough **October 30. 6pm. Station Road.**

Bring along your illuminated, artfully caved pumpkins (battery powered lights only please)

Family Friendly, no registration necessary. Amazon voucher prizes for the three winners. Fancy Dress is optional. Meet in The George Carpark, Parade up Station Road to judging in Desborough Heritage Centre.

Meet at The George car park, the parade will move along Station Road, upto FiFi's, where the children will receive a treat for participating: then down to the Heritage Centre, where your fabulous creations will be judged and prizes awarded.

Fancy dress is optional but very welcome.



Monster Mash, Monster Bash Magic Show

£2.00 a ticket

At Rothwell Community Library

Friday 30th October 11.00am-12.30pm

Only 30 tickets available buy your tickets at the library to avoid disappointment

Children's Halloween party at The Centre at Mawsley

Get ready for an afternoon of spooky fun at The Centre at Mawsley!

Friday 23rd October 5pm – 7pm

Tickets £4.50 each – available from the bar!

Come along in your best Halloween fancy dress for an evening packed with spooky fun and Halloween treats!

The Centre at Mawsley, 9 The Green, NN14 1GY

Tickets are limited, so grab yours from the bar!

Family Halloween Stay and Play!

Saturday 31st October 2.00pm-4.00pm

Willowbrook Farm Desborough

Children £6.50 age 2+years includes a S'more and a hot chocolate choose free place for under 2's

Adults £4.50 includes and hot drink and a S'more

Hammocks, climbing net, tee swings, pumpkin messy pay, mud/potion kitchen, and a craft activity

Dressing Up is optional

07561 313770 or email forever.wild@hotmail.com

Desborough Youth Club

Desborough Youth Club

Desborough Youth Club Reception to year 7 Every Friday 6.30-8.00pm £1.50 entry

Desborough Youth Club. Year 5 and above. Every Tuesday. 6.30pm to 8pm. £1.50 entry.

Paddock Lane. Come and join us for crafts, sports and music or just a safe space to meet up with Friends.

3rd Desborough Scouts

Squirrels. Ages 4 to 6 year olds. Tuesdays 5pm to 6pm

Email: rebeccaann_perry@hotmail.com

Beavers. Ages 6 to 8 year olds. Tuesdays 6pm to 7pm.

Email: theyeomans@btinternet.com

Cubs. Ages 8 to 10 and a half year olds. Tuesday 6.30pm to 8pm.

Email: 3rddesboroughcubscouts@gmail.com

Scouts: Ages 10 and a half to 14 year olds. Tuesdays 7.30pm to 9pm.

Email: ian.krone@ntlworld.com

Meeting at St Giles Community Centre, Lower Street, Desborough, NN14 2NP

Community Social Hub

Rothwell Holy Trinity Church every Tuesday from August 25th from 9am –12pm

Parent and toddlers – welcome space with toys

Lego Club – Creative building fun for all ages

Read and relax – fresh newspapers and book stall

Explore History – Discover our beautiful historic site

Respite and Peace – a quite environment to unwind

All welcome – just turn up.

Holy Trinity Church, Rothwell
COMMUNITY SOCIAL HUB
Every Tuesday from August 25th, 9-12 Midday

☕ **Free Refreshments**

- 🧸 **Parents & Toddlers — Welcoming space with toys.**
- 🧱 **LEGO Club — Creative building fun for all ages.**
- 📰 **Read & Relax — Fresh newspapers and book stall.**
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- 🕊️ **Respite & Peace — A quiet environment to unwind.**

ALL WELCOME • JUST TURN UP

Thriving in Life Drop-In Support. Desborough

No appointment needed. Just drop-in and chat to us whats on your mind! Desborough Leisure Centre, Ironwood Avenue, NN14 2JJ **First Thursday of every month, 3.30pm to 5pm.**

What we can support you with:

Making Healthy Choices e.g. sleep, food/diet, vaping. Future decisions e.g. education/work, finance.

Feelings and stress e.g. anxiety, low mood, bullying Healthy relationships e.g. family issues, sexual health.

Safe Support, all support is confidential and judgement free. Open for 11 to 19 year olds only.

Rothwell Mental Health and Wellbeing Drop In Support

For ages 8-15 years 4pm-6pm every Monday Methodist Church, Market Hill, Rothwell, NN14 6BW

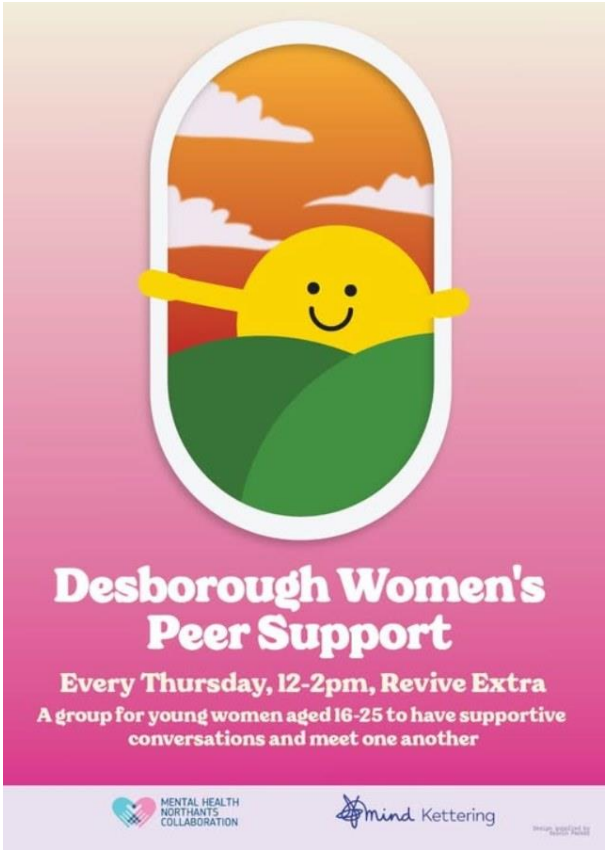
Drop in at any point to have a chat with a counsellor or to seek some advice and guidance from our support worker Natachi

For more information, please email enquiries@youthworksnorthamptonshire.org.uk or call 01536 518339

Desborough Womens Support Group - Kettering Mind

A new women's peer for ages 16-25 support group every Thursday from12:00-2.00pm at Revive Extra in Desborough.

This is a peer support group for young women aged 16-25 to have supportive conversations and meet like minded people. This has been set up by one of our Community Wellbeing Champions Eva who looking to make a positive difference in our local community. We are extremely proud of all of our Community Wellbeing Champions who are bringing such positive groups to the local area


Desborough Women's Peer Support
Every Thursday, 12-2pm, Revive Extra
A group for young women aged 16-25 to have supportive conversations and meet one another
MENTAL HEALTH NORTHANTS COLLABORATION
mind Kettering

Corby

SEND Club at Kingswood Community Centre

Rainbow Recreation and tutoring and Kingswood Development Project

SEND Friday Club at Kingswood Community Centre. Every Friday 3.30pm to 4.40pm

Starting Friday 18 September until 11 December. Every Week

Exciting Activity Every Week.

1. Wild Week, 2) Craft Week 2) Amazing Archers 4) Nerf Ninjas. 5)Giant games, 6 Party week.

All welcome for Ages 5+. No booking just stay and play. Fun activities, Make new friends, build confidence. Lets play, learn and grow together.

Halloween Party Kingswood Neighbourhood Centre

Have you got your tickets yet?

And remember… there's a Goodie Bag of Halloween treats up for grabs in EACH category!

Categories: Scariest, TV & Movie Character, Funny & Creative

Get your costumes ready and let's see what you've got!

Don't miss out — get your tickets!

Kingswood Neighbourhood Centre

Wednesday 28th October £2.00 per ticket.

12.00-1.30pm open session

2.00-3.30pm SEND Session

Don’t miss out — get your tickets! To book please email kingswoodevents@outlook.com

AUDHD Halloween Family Fun Day

25th October 23.30-3.30pm

Norman Mutch Suite, The Grampion, Patrick Road, Corby, NN18 9NT

£1.00 entry

Craft activities, messy play and bouncy castle

By Audhd Community Embraced

Auditions open to young people Rare Productions are back with their next production Frozen Jr!

If you have a young person bursting with creativity and talent, why not come and audition to be part of this incredible musical. No need to book just turn up to your relevant age slot and show the team what you got. It's an incredible opportunity to work with a professional company and perform on our stage, whether they are an experienced performer or want to try something new, come give it a go!

The Core at Corby Cube Tue 13 October; 5pm – 6pm (7 – 12 year olds) 6pm – 7pm (13 – 18 year olds)

RARE Productions Audition – Frozen Jr

5pm – 6pm (7-12 years old) – You can arrive anytime during this time slot.

6pm – 7pm (13-18 year old) – You can arrive anytime during this time slot.

AUDITION PROCESS: These will be open auditions, led by RARE PRODUCTIONS, so there is no need to book in. Simply turn up any time within the allocated time slot for your age group, sign in, and audition! You only need to attend one audition.

The person auditioning will go into the audition in groups of approximately 15-20 people of a similar age group where possible (7-12yrs or 13-18 yrs/13-21yrs depending on show title). Auditions usually last around 30 minutes and involve singing, dancing and acting. All

materials are provided and taught on the day, so there is no need to prepare anything beforehand.

Parents are not allowed into the audition room, but are asked to stay and supervise their children before and after the audition. A letter will be sent in the post letting you know the outcome of the audition within two weeks of the second audition date. All auditionees will receive a letter whether successful or not.

For full terms and conditions please refer to our website www.rareproductions.co.uk

It's a fantastic show for young performers, with lots of colourful characters, magical moments and big

musical numbers. Come along to our upcoming open auditions and you could be part of the magic!

RARE Productions is a youth musical theatre company giving young people aged 8–21 the chance

to shine in full-scale musicals on professional stages across the UK!

We're all about creating unforgettable experiences, from the very first rehearsal to the final curtain

call. Expect teamwork, laughter, new friendships, and tons of fun, all while learning exciting new

skills and performance techniques.

Whether you're a seasoned performer or stepping on stage for the first time, RARE is the perfect

place to grow, create, and be part of something amazing

RARE Productions Audition - Frozen Jr - The Core at Corby Cube

Halloween Party

Gates open at 6pm

Free admission Ghost Train Rides £1

Saturday 24th October, Tuesday 27th October and Thursday 29th October

Parking available at West Glebe Park pavilion, Cottingham Road, Corby

By Corby and District Model Railway Society

Halloween Rolller Disco Beginner Friendly

Join us for an evening of spooky skating, music, disco lights, spooky decorations, free treats, games, glow sticks and costume competitions

Ticks for Treats: Earn treats by showing off your dance moves in mini competitions like: best moonwalk / best spin / best coffin / funkiest dance move!

Costume competition: prizes for Adults / Teens / Children Winners will be chosen based on community vote!

For full information please visit [Halloween Roller Disco ⍰ | Facebook]

Hazelwood Centre, Gainsborough Rd, Corby NN18 0QF

6.30pm to 7pm Get your Boogie on.

7pm to 8pm Tricks for Treats

8pm to 8.30pm Costume Contest Winners

8.30pm to 9pm Spooky Skate Challenges.

9pm to 9.30pm Dance the night away.

9.30 Finish.

Skaters can sign up to enter the costume contest on the evening!

Young Parents Group

Young Parent's Group for parents aged 16 to 24 years of age.

Corby Family Hub @ Exeter a learning community. Brayford Road, NN18 8LD.

Thursdays 1pm to 2.30pm.

Free refreshments and support from Milk7You, in partnership with Family Hubs.

Kids Fitness Club

Join us at the Kingswood Neighbourhood Centre - Alberta Close, Corby

From 4.30pm to 5.15pm every Thursday.

All abilities welcome.

Only £1 per session from age 5 and up.

Contact me directly for more information or via email. Clairchamberlain@yahoo.co.uk

Corby Dodgeball Club.

Dodgeball to build confidence, teamwork, and inclusion across of all ages.

Safe. Inclusive. Supportive

Led by qualified coaches. Fully Insured DBS checked staff. Pathway to compete initially.

Join Today and grow with us:

We are a welcoming, community-led sports organisation using dodgeball to build confidence, teamwork, and physical wellbeing. We deliver fun, inclusive sessions for children and young people of all abilities, with a strong focus on empowering beginners and underserved communities. Our aim is to grow the sport locally while creating positive, supportive pathways for everyone to enjoy and succeed in dodgeball.

Facebook Corby-Dodgeball-Club

Email: corby-dodgeball-club@hotmail.co.uk

Coffee Morning and Warm Hub Oakley Vale

Coffee Morning and Warm Hub at Oakley Vale Community Centre near Butland Road shops, Wednesdays 9.30am-12.30pm

Oakley Vale Community Centre New email address: theoakleyvalecc@outlook.com

Epic Rollers at Lodge Park

Our Public Weekly Roller Skating Sessions reopen from Saturday 5th September 2026 for the New 2026/27 Season

Come along for a Fantastic Family Fun Roller Skate Session with Tuition Provided

Book Tickets Now – online tickets only

EPIC Rollers CORBY, Lodge Park Sports Centre, Corby, NN17 2SG

Every Saturday 4.15pm - 5.45pm

Skate Entry: £6, Skate Hire Available: £2

Quad & Inline Skates Available ***Or Bring your own

FREE Tuition Provided plus Skate Activities throughout our sessions.

To book visit: Tickets – EPIC Rollers UK

Let's Roll Facebook Epic Rollers Corby

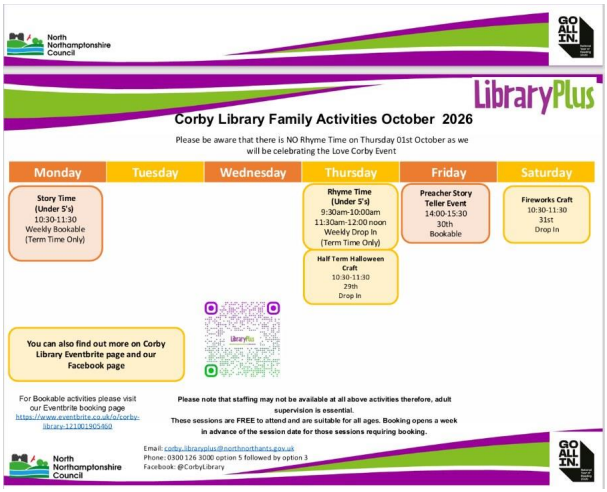
Corby Family Activities October

Monday Story Time (Under 5's) 10.30am to 11.30am. Weekly Bookable (Term time only)

Thursday Rhyme Time (Under 5's) 9.30am and 10am. 11.30am to 12 Noon. Weekly Drop In (Term Time Only) Half Term Halloween Craft. 10.30am to 11.30am. 29 October. Drop-in

Friday Preacher Story Teller Event. 2pm to 3.30pm. 30 October. Bookable.

Saturday Fireworks Craft 10.30am to 11.30am. 31 October. Drop-in



English Conversation Group, Corby Library

Improve your English by chatting with other people. It's free and there is no need to book.

We welcome speakers of all abilities. New to book.

Dates: Tuesday 20 October, Tuesday 3 November, Tuesday 17 November, Tuesday 1 December, Tuesday 15 December

All 10am to 11am.

Community Well Being Champion at Corby Library

Corby Library presents Mark. Community Wellbeing Champion.

Every Tuesday at 10am to 1pm.

Trained and Certified by Northamptonshire Mind to support with:

Low level Mental Health. Feelings of Worry. Depression and Anxiety, Advice and Guidance. Signposting for your Wellbeing Needs.

SEN Saturday Fun Club

A fun and welcoming group for those with SEN needs from 11 to 18 years old.

Activities will include sports, crafts and group activities.

One Saturday each month. 10.45am to 11.45am. Priors Hall Community Centre, Gretton Rd, Corby NN17 5EB

To book please contact sarah@cypn.org

Games and Craft Club Priors Hall Community Centre

4:15pm to 5:15pm On the last Saturday of every month for ages 10 plus.

Priors Hall Community Centre, Gretton Rd, Corby NN17 5EB

Lots of arts and crafts available plus Game Consoles and Board Games.

To book please contact sarah@cypn.org

Creative Art Workshops for Children

Suitable for Children aged 5 plus. Join us every Saturday for fun, creative art sessions where young artists can:

Paint, draw, explore mixed media, learn new artistic skills, make new friends and have fun.

When: Every Saturday 11:30am to 12.30pm. At the Rooftop Arts Centre. Only £5 per session.

For bookings and info, email info@rooftopartscentre.co.uk or call us on 01536 267101
Rooftop Arts Centre 27 New Post Office Square, Corby NN17 1PB

One Love Youth Group For Young Adults with Disabilities

Age 14 to 18. Opening Wednesday July 1. 6pm to 8pm every Wednesday.

£4 Youth member entry. Support Free. One Love Youth is an inclusive social group for young adults with disabilities, socialise, dance, sing, play games, make memories.

When: Every Wednesday. Time 6pm to 8pm. Where: The White Hart Pub, Corby, NN17 1UX

Open to young people aged 14 to 18. Under 18s must have a parent/carer or responsible adult available on site.

A parent/carer may supervise more than one young person with parental consent. 18 Year Olds may attend independently if appropriate a support person may be required if additional needs cannot be safely met within the group. WhatsApp: 07457418667 Email: OLSC.onelove@gmail.com

One Love Social Club

After meeting with our younger members, we are now one big One Love family. We are welcoming young people aged 14+ to our Friday sessions!

For safeguarding, all under 18s must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or responsible adult who remains on the premises.

Members who need additional support are very welcome but should attend with their own parent, guardian or support worker.

Every Friday Evening. 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Stephenson Way Community Centre, Corby, NN17 2AT. £4 entry. Tuck Shop available, snacks and drinks. More than a club we are One Love.

Youth Works Counselling

Here at Youth Works, we offer FREE counselling sessions to anyone aged 11-25 (up to 25 if you have a special educational needs/disabilities and access mainstream state funded

school/college.) who live in the Boroughs of Corby or Kettering. The course of sessions tends to last 6-8 weeks with a 50-minute session at the same time each week.

To refer, fill in the form on our website: **Youth Works Referral**

This form can be filled out by the young person, or their parent/carer or professional. Any questions? Do not hesitate to send us a DM on Facebook, email (enquiries@youthworksnorthamptonshire.org.uk) or call 01536 518339

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