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Welcome to Issue 4

The beauty of Autumn is fast approaching (and so many more memories to be made)!

We've had a blast this summer and now it's time for all of the Autumnal joys!

Well, all of us at Lots for Tots hope you have had the most incredible summers. It would be naive to think that every moment is sunshine and roses, but I do believe every day, with its blessings and trials can shape us into who we are. When you lovely readers likely open this, we will have recently come back from our first abroad holiday as a family of 6. As I write this we are 90 excited. Hopefully I'll still be alive and kicking to tell the tale!

With each season we have new opportunities to create memories - whether that be a big holiday, or a quiet walk to the shop for milk down a leafy pavement. The more time goes by, the more important I'm convinced it is soak in each little moment. The children getting ready for school, even the 'tear your hair out tantrums'. One thing we can be sure of, is every moment is passing. We are so privileged to have our little humans (even when it's hard), and it's so true that they're 'only little once', so lets take every opportunity we can to create those special moments with our little ones.



We want to start by thanking the incredible Rains Photography for our gorgeous cover shot! Danielle is incredible - Fun fact - she actually shot my youngest two children in a Christmas mini long before Lots for Tots Leicestershire was born! She is incredibly talented and offers a huge range of services - you HAVE to check her out!

Nicole at Daisy First Aid has provided a wonderful article all about the importance of First Aid knowledge as a parent on page 9 (which I have thoroughly enjoyed reading). I actually booked my own children onto one of the Children's First Aid courses which I couldn't recommend more.

We've got lots to keep you busy in our Lots on Local section (beginning on page 4) and Lots on Weekly section (beginning on page 10).

It's the pumpkin season, and so we thought it would be rude not to share our hot list of pumpkin picking venues around the county - you can find our favourites on pages 6&7.

Until next time we wish you every happiness - remember to enjoy every moment that you can!

Cover Photographer *

Our beautiful cover shot is from the incredible Rains Photography.

Danielle takes pride in creating a relaxed and enjoyable experience.

As a parent of two young boys, she knows firsthand how quickly little ones grow and how precious every moment is. This perspective drives her passion for photography, as she truly understands the importance of preserving each of these moments.

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Lots on Local...

💢 May - June - Various dates

Child and baby First Aid Class - Daisy First Aid

Various locations

These classes are perfect for anyone that is expecting or has a baby/child and wants to learn some basic first aid skills without being overwhelmed with technical information. It's great for new and expecting parents, plus family & friends. It's also perfect for anyone working with children that wants to learn some basic first aid to handle incidents and emergencies that may happen in class.

Sun 10th August - 9.30am - Broughton Astley Village Hall, LE9 6PT

Tues 9th September - 9.30am - Blaby & District Social Centre, LE8 4GQ

Mon 15th September - 9.30am - Trinity Methodist Church, Oadby, LE2 5AB

Fri 19th September - 9.30am - Groby Village Hall, Leicester Road, LE6 0DQ

Tue 23rd September - 5.45pm - Broughton Astley Village Hall, LE9 6PT

Tues 7th October - 9.30am - Blaby & District Social Centre, LE8 4GQ

Thur 16th October - 9.30am - Groby Village Hall, Leicester Road, LE6 0DQ

Tue 21st October - 5.45pm - Broughton Astley Village Hall, LE9 6PT

🙀 Monday 4th - Wednesday 6th Aug -11.00am-3.00pm

Snap Dragon Children's Festival

Hinckley Town Centre

Three fun-filled days of free activities for all the family in Argents Mead.

🕇 Tuesday 5th - Tuesday 19th Aug -11.30am-4.00pm

Summer Holiday Railway days

Abbey Pumping Station, Leicester

Come and enjoy a ride on the diesel driven Narrow Gauge Railway this summer! The Railway will be running for just 50p per ride on the day. Pay by cash at the station or by card at reception/ café. Train Rides running on Tuesday 5th, 12th & 19th August. Why not bring a picnic to enjoy in the wonderful grounds, either at a picnic table or bring your own blanket. Entry to the museum and grounds is free plus the switch room café will be open for light refreshments.

Wednesday 6th Aug - 1.00pm

Wizard of Oz - Outdoor Theatre

Belgrave Hall Museum, Leicester

Outdoor theatre for all the family, in the beautiful walled gardens of Belgrave Hall! "I'm not Dorothy, I'm Dot. Like a decimal point. A full stop. Dot." Dot just wants everyone to shut up and leave her alone. She longs to be somewhere else, somewhere far away, somewhere over the rainbow. Paperback Theatre's new adaptation of The Wizard of Oz brings the classic well-loved story bang-up-to-date. So strap in to your ruby slippers for a saunter down the yellow brick road. Featuring original music, punk lions and a fantastic cast of West Midlands performers - join us for a rip-rouring exploration of what "home" really

Thursday 7th Aug - 11.00am 3.00pm Circuis Fun Day!

Leicester Guildhall

Roll up, roll up for a fun day of crafts and activities at the Guildhall. Make a "big top" hat, a trapeze artist decoration and a cute clown. Play hook a duck, hoopla and tin can alley in the courtyard (no prizes, it's just for fun). £4 Advance online for participating children, £5 on the door, Adults Free

💢 Sunday 10th Aug - 10.00am-3.00pm

The Loughborough Colour Run

Charnwood College Loughborough

Come and join us for a 5km run/walk filled with inflatables, obstacles, lots of colour and heaps of fun for the whole family. Please visit https://lwa. enthuse.com/cf/the-loughborough-colour-run to book your tickets. All proceeds go to Living Without Abuse

Saturday 16th Aug - 1.00pm-10.30pm Hinckley Summer Festival 2025

Hinckley Rugby Club
TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW! We have a fantastic tribute band line up as well as a number of DJ sets to take us through to 10.30pm. The Brightside Killers are headlining but also included are ABBA, Oasis, Tina Turner tributes plus more entertainment to be announced. More details are at Hinckley Summer Festival website. We are introducing for the first time a silent disco with club anthems and festival bangers. Always important to keep the kids happy, this year we have the bouncy castles back in force, face painting and the sandpit returns which never ceases to amaze in its ability to attract and entertainment for hours! PS Children only!



Lots on Local...



★ Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th Aug - 12.00pm-7.00pm

Leicester Mela Festival

Abbey Park, Leicester

Join thousands of attendees for this distinguished celebration of South Asia's rich and colourful heritage. Expect a vibrant mix of music, dance and entertainment on the main stage, while a variety of stalls will offer handcrafted jewellery, colourful clothing, and delicious street food. Plus, with funfair rides and a kids' village full of activities and arts, there's something for everyone in the family.

★ Sunday 17th Aug - 12.00pm - 4.30pm Summer Family Fun Day

Abbey Pumping Station, Leicester

Recreating the atmosphere of a village Gala Day with a wide range of stalls, vintage vehicles on display and one of the majestic beam engines in steam. A fun family event with games to play, plenty to see, and even coal fired chips freshly made from our very own vintage chip van. The café will also be serving light refreshments on the day. An array of historic vehicles will be on display in the grounds including Leicester Museum's collection of historic Fire Engines. The Steam Locomotive Railway will be running for just 50p per ride. Pay by cash at the station or by card at reception/ café. More exciting activities to be announced!

Thursday 21st - Tuesday 26th Aug - Various Times

Zippo's Circus 'Bravo'

Victoria Park, Leicester

'Bravo!' is a spectacular show featuring a diverse cast of international artists, promising edge-of-your-seat thrills and family fun. Hosted by the charismattic Paulo Dos Santos, the show includes comedy, acrobatics, aerial feats and much more.

★ Saturday 23rd - Monday 25th Aug - 10.00am-6.00pm

Desford Scarecrow Festival 2025

Main Street Desford

Fun for all the family with a Scarecrow trail, live music, children's entertainment, stalls, food and drink, outlets and much more!

Sunday 24th Aug - 12.00pm-11.55pm Keepersbury Festival

Keepers Lodge, Beaumont Leys

Our very own charity music festival, there will be multiple live music acts throughout the day, kids entertainment, BBQ, stalls and much more all in aid of Leicester NICU and LOROS.

★ Friday 5th - Sunday 7th Sept - Various Times

Balloons & Tunes Festival 2025

Market Harborough Showground

Balloons & Tunes Market Harborough is set to be one of the UK's premier family events, offering an unforgettable experience for attendees of all ages. This festival combines thrilling entertainment, live music, and a vibrant atmosphere that promises fun for the whole family.

Festival-goers can look forward to a diverse range of attractions, including: Tribute Acts, Sky Safari Night Glow: As night falls, witness the magical sight of illuminated hot air balloons lighting up the evening sky, creating a stunning backdrop for the festivities, Fireworks Display, Stunt Shows: Thrill-seekers will be captivated by high-energy stunt performances showcasing daring acrobatics and gravity-defying tricks. Monster Truck Rides, Bluey & Bingo Characters: Meet your favorite giant cartoon mascots, Children's Party Stage: A dedicated area filled with fun activities and entertainment tailored for kids Live Animal Shows! In addition to these attractions, guests can indulge in a variety of food vendors and enjoy a licensed bar for adults.

★ Saturday 20th - Sunday 20th Sept - 11.00am - 4.00pm

Abbey Pumping Station Food & Craft Fair

Abbey Pumping Station, Leicester

The magnificent setting of Abbey Pumping Station is the perfect place to relax and enjoy a day of tasty treats and creative treasures. Join producers and artists for a weekend celebrating art, crafts and amazing food!

Sunday 28th Sept - 10.00am & 1.00pm The Dinosaur That Pooped: A Rock Show!

De Montfort Hall, Leicester

When Danny and Dino's favourite rock band are playing their last ever concert, they go on a quest to get the last two tickets. But with a villainous band manager lurking, nothing goes to plan. Will the band perform? Will Danny rock out? Or will Dino's rumbling tummy save the day? Adapted from the number 1 best-selling books by Tom Fletcher and Dougie Poynter, the whole family will have a poopy good time enjoying a brand new story for the stage. Featuring new songs by Tom and Dougie, a lot of laughs, and a whole lot of poo! Produced by Mark Thompson Productions Limited and Directed by Miranda Larson.

Lots on Local...

Monday 6th - Saturday 25th Sept -Various Times

Matilda The Musical

Curve Theatre, Leicester

Following the sellout success of its first tour in 2018/19, MATILDA THE MUSICAL, the multi award-winning musical from the Royal Shakespeare Company, inspired by the beloved book by Roald Dahl, is heading back out on tour across the UK and Ireland from October 2025. For children aged 4+

Saturday 11th Oct - 2.30pm - 4.30pm Enchanted

The Empire Banqueting And Conference Hall, Leicester

Performed by a talented live ensemble from the world of Musical Theatre, the concert features beautifully arranged music from timeless classics such as Frozen, Tangled, Moana, Wicked, Beauty and the Beast, The Little Mermaid, Aladdin, The Lion King, and many more. This spellbinding event is perfect for families looking to enjoy a memorable and uplifting day out. With a welcoming, all-ages atmosphere and plenty of sing-a-long moments, Enchanted invites children and adults alike to be part of the magic. While children aged 2 and up will enjoy the vibrant music and magical ambiance, those 5 and older are sure to fall in love with the full concert experience!

🖈 Saturday 11th Oct - 11.00am

I've Lost My Bobble Hat!

The Y Theatre, Leicester

Help Nick find his beloved bobble hat in this fun filled musical hour with all your favourite NICK COPE hits and more. Nick Cope has been writing and recording his beautiful and totally unique songs for children and their families for over 10 years, he performs with his guitar and stunning animations to sell-out crowds all over the country.

His fanatical following of little and not so little fans has grown immeasurably over the last couple of years due to the phenomenal success of the CBeebies show '_Nick Cope's Popcast_', now in its third series. Nick has a magical way of reaching into people's hearts, igniting children's imagination in an organic, unpatronizing, educational and fun way. With his charming songs and humour Nick engages, entertains, and enthrals all generations. Nick's live performances are legendary. If you haven't heard his songs or seen his shows before, come along and find out what you've been missing.

Cottober 2025

Pumpkin Picking

Various Locations

In Leicestershire we are spoilt for choice when it comes to pumpkin picking - we've shortlisted our favourite venues for you below!

Leicestershire's finest pumpkin-picking spots!

Whether your family goes all in for the halloween season, or you are just looking for an excuse for a memorable autumnal outdoor trip - we've comprised a list of our favourite pumkin-picking spots from previous years - though please do check individual websites and social media channels for updates before your visit!

Cattows Farm

Swepstone Road, Heather, LE67 2RF

Known locally as 'The Halloween Farm', it all started as humble pumpkin patch, but it has since transformed into their biggest seasonal attraction. Cattows now grow over 100,000 pumpkins every year and their Halloween Farm event is a full-blown family festival with a long list of attractions for everyone to enjoy.

Wymeswold Fruit Farm

Wide Lane, Coalville, LE12 69E

Wymeswold Fruit Farm have thousands of pumpkins to choose from ranging in size from tiny munchkins to whopping big ones, as well as lots of weird and wonderful ornamental gourds and tasty squash for cooking. Don't forget to grab your free goody bag when you come to pay, it contains everything you need for carving plus a sweet treat!







Here at Petite Street, the locals can be anything they want to be; a dentist, a hairdresser, a doctor, a vet, a parent... If you can think it, your little one can be it!

Open 7 days a week

9.30am - 11.00am | 11.15am - 12.45pm | 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Party packages available Saturdays & Sundays

enquiries@petitestreetplayvillage.co.uk © 0116 431 9497

Unit 14, Stoughton Grange, Gartree Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 2FB

Broom Leys Farm

59 Broom Leys Road, Coalville, LE67 4DD

The farm produces an array of different crops, from our ever-popular pumpkins, to their corn maze, and now new for 2025 our sunflower field! Stroll through the cheerful blooms and take some home when you're done!

Blackbrook Farm

Shepshed, LE12 9TJ

Blackbrook Farm plant over 6000 pumpkin plants annually and pride themselves in growing the best pumpkins, with over 10 varieties to choose from.

Oscar's Pumpkin Patch

Elms Farm, Costock, LE12 6XA

Your ultimate autumn destination for PYO Pumpkins and a great family fun day out! With a staggering selection of over 12,000 pumpkins and around 20 varieties!

The Pumpkin Patch at Wolvey

Mere Lane, Hinckley, Wolvey, LE10 3BL

Wolvey has thousands of pumpkins & gourds all of shapes & sizes to choose from. Affordable family fun & dog friendly.

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Designed to stimulate, engage, nurture and relax your little one through singing, sensory games, instruments, parachute play, lights and bubbles.









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www.babysparks.co.uk/loughborough

Daisy First Aid

It's a subject a lot of parents worry about and lots of parents put off.

As a mum of 4 lively children, I can honestly say first aid is a skill that I use every single week (sometimes daily!) It's not always about the big stuff; it can be knowing how to treat a burn - the guidance has changed in the last 6 months! What to do with a head injury, how to manage a bleed or a seizure, how to spot the signs of sepsis or anaphulaxis. First aid for children and babies is different to adults, so even those who have done first aid at work can learn what to do specificallu with your little ones!

At Daisy First Aid South Leicester, emergencu. We cover a lot in our award skills through to day to day first aid. 95% of accidents will happen in the home, so you do not want to leave it to chance.

2 Hour First Aid Class

In 2-hours class we cover everything you might need, including the thing that panics most parents...choking! Clear, relevant, useful and practical information without all the 'waffle'.



Children's First Aid Class

Did you know - we also introduce children to first aid! In our classes, children from as young as 4 years old learn; what an emergency is, who/how to get help, how to check if someone is breathing, recovery neip, now to check it someone is breathing, recovery positions, bandaging bleeds and get an introduction to CPR and our manikins. Children are incredibly resilient and pick up skills quickly, we find that by introducing them at a young age takes away the 'fear factor'. It gives them confidence to know what to do if "I can't wake murmmy up."

You can also support their understanding with our amazing new series of children's books - Daisy Junior First Aider.





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Facebook: Daisy First Aid South Leicester Instagram: nicoledaisufirstaid Call or WhatsApp: 07305 126 540 Email: nicole@daisufirstaid.com

We have regular venue classes in Blaby, Groby, Broughton Astley, Oadby and Lutterworth. From the comfort of your own home, we have monthly live zoom classes, with a qualified instructor. Alternatively, why not get friends and family or collegues together and book a private class - for the same price per person (with a 6-person minimum)



Most classes are Term-Time only

★ Ashby-de-la-Zouch

NCT Bumps & Babies

Alternate Fridays 11.00am - 12.00pm Ashby-de-la-Zouch Library, North Street, LE65 1HU

Wriggly Readers

Fridays 10.30am - 11.00am

Ashby-de-la-Zouch Library Family Hub, North Street, LE65 1HU

🛊 Aylestone

Toddler Splash

Tuesdays 12.00pm - 1.00pm Aylestone Leisure Centre, Knighton Lane East, LE2 6LU

ABC Tots

Wednesdays 9.30am - 11.00am Aylestone Baptist Church,

Lutterworth Road, LE2 8PE

Toddler Time

Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Aylestone Library,

2 Knighton Lane East, LE2 6LU

🖈 Bagworth

Little Bumblebees

Fridays 10.00am - 11.30am

Bagworth Family Hub, Station Road, LE67 IBH

🛊 Barrow upon Soar

Story Sense Charnwood

Story Adventurers (18m - 5yrs)
Tuesdays 10.15am - 11.00am
Story Apprentices (birth - 18m)
Tuesdays 11.15am - 12.00pm
Barrow Scout Hut, Grove Lane, LE12 8NP

Rhyme Time

First & third Friday of every month 10.30am - 11.00am (Booking advised) Barrow upon Soar Community Library, 33 North Street, LEI2 8PZ

🛊 Barwell

Little Rainbows

Mondays 12.15pm - 1.45pm Barwell Family Hub, Barwell Academy, High Street, LE9 8DS

Little Caterpillars

Fridays 9.3Óam - 11.3Oam Barwell Family Hub, Barwell Academy, High Street, LE9 8DS

★ Beaumont Leys

Babies Learning Together (Under 1s)

Mondays 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Beaumont Leys Children, Young People and Family Centre, 20 Home Farm Close, LE4 ORW

Little Tykes Stay & Play

Mondays & Fridays 1.00pm - 3.00pm Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00pm

Tudor Centre, Bewcastle Grove, LE4 2JW

Stay & Play

Tuesdays 10.00am - 11.30am

Bewcastle Children, Young People and Family Centre, Bewcastle Grove, LE4 2JY

Stay & Play

Wednesdays 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Beaumont Leys Children, Young People and Family Centre, 20 Home Farm Close, LE4 ORW

Toddler Time

Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00pm

Beaumont Leys Library, Beaumont Way, LE4 1DS

Wosley House Forest School

Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00pm (Booking essential)

Wosley House Primary School, Beaumont Leys Lane, LE4 2BB

Mammas Baby Cafe

Fridays 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Beaumont Leys Children, Young People and Family Centre, 20 Home Farm Close, LE4 ORW

★ Belgrave

Stay & Play

Mondays 1.30pm - 3.00pm

Woodbridge Children, Young People and Family Centre, 54A Woodbridge Road, LE4 7RG

Stay & Play

Thursdays 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Belgrave Children, Young People and Family Centre, Cossington Street, LE4 6JD

Babies Learning Together (Under Is)

Fridays 10.00am - 11.30am

Belgrave Children, Young People and Family Centre, Cossington Street, LE4 6JD

🛊 Birstall

Wriggly Readers

Alternate Mondays 10.30am - 11.00am Birstall Library, Wanlip Lane, LE4 4JU

Birstall Social Tots

Wednesdays 10.30am - 12.00pm Birstall Social Club, Wanlip Lane, LE4 4JS

★ Blaby

Wriggly Readers

Alternate Thursdays 10.30am - 11.00am Blaby Library, Lutterworth Road, LE8 4DW

Junior Construction Club

Saturdays 10.30am - 12.00pm Blaby Library, Lutterworth Road, LES 4DW

Braunstone

Music & Movement Sessions

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 11.00am - 11.30am & 1.30pm - 2.00pm 360 Play Leicester, Meridian Leisure Park, Lubbesthorpe Way, LE19 1JZ

Messy Play

Monday - Friday 10.00am - 2.00pm (weekends and school holidays

10.00am - 4.30pm) 360 Play Leicester, Meridian Leisure Park,

Lubbesthorpe Way, LE19 IJZ Sensory Sessions

Tuesdays & Thursdays

10.00am - 2.00pm

360 Play Leicester, Meridian Leisure Park, Lubbesthorpe Way, LE19 IJZ

Big Fun for Little Ones

Thursdaus 10.00am - 11.30am

Braunstone Town Family Hub, The Winstanley School, Kingsway North, LE3 3BD

Stay & Play

Fridays 9.30am - 11.00am

Braunstone Children, Young People and Family Centre, Gallards Hill, LE3 IQR

Babies Learning Together (Under Is)

Fridays 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Braunstone Children, Young People and Family Centre, Gallards Hill, LE3 1QR

LJA Rumble Tots (3yrs - 5yrs)

Saturdays 9.15am - 10.00am

Leicester Judo Academy, Unit 36 First Floor, Faircharm Industrial Estate, Evelyn Drive, LE3 2BU

Active Play Sessions

Saturdays & Sundays 10.00am - 10.30am

360 Play Leicester, Meridian Leisure Park, Lubbesthorpe Way, LE19 IJZ

🖈 Broughton Astley

Wriggly Readers

First & third Monday of the month 10.30am - 11.00am

Broughton Astley Library, Main Street, LE9 6RD



Most classes are Term-Time only

🙀 Coalville

Baby Sparks

Spark Movers & Shakers Tuesdays 11.15am - 12.15pm Little Sparks Tuesdays 12.30pm - 1.30pm Marlene Reid Centre, 85 Belvoir Road, **LE67 3PH**

Little Explorers

Wednesdays 10.00am - 11.30am (Booking essential) Coalville Children & Family Centre, High Street, LE67 3EA

Wriggly Readers

Thursdays 10.15am - 10.45am Coalville Library, High Street, LE67 3EA Dad's Group

Saturdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Greenhill Family Hub (Youth Centre), 171 Waterworks Rd, LE67 4HZ

🛊 Cosby

Twirling Toddlers Leicestershire

<u>Little Groovers (1-4yrs)</u> Fridays 9.30am & 10.00am Twinkle Toes Ballet (2-4urs) Fridays 9.30am Cosby Village Hall, Park Road, LE9 IRN

Baby & Toddler Group

Wednesdays 9.30am-11.15am The Bunning Hall, 25 Main Street, LE9 1UW

Castle Donnington

Little Explorers Stau & Plau Tuesdays 10.00am - 11.30am Castle Donnington Family Hub, Castle Donnignton College, Mount Pleasant, DE74 2LN

Baby Ballet

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★ Earl Shilton

Wriggly Readers

Mondaus 10.30am - 11.00am (Booking essential) Earl Shilton Library, Wood Street,

Little Bears Stay & Play

Mondays 10.00am - 11.30am (Booking essential) Earl Shilton Family Hub, St Simon & St Jude Primary School, Alexander Avenue, LF9 7AH

Construction Club

Saturdays 10.30am - 1.00pm Earl Shilton Library, Wood Street, LE9 7NE

East Leake

Rattle Rhyme and Roll

Mondays 2.30pm-3pm East Leake Library, Gotham Rd, East Leake, LE12 6JG

Story Hullaballoo

Alternate Mondays 2.30pm-3.00pm (Contact library for dates) East Leake Library, Gotham Rd, East Leake, LE12 6JG

Baby Sparks

Spark Movers Thursdays 10.00am - 11.00am Spark Shakers Thursdays 11.15am - 12.15pm Little Sparks Thursdays 12.30pm - 1.30pm St Mary's Church Hall, 1 Brookside, LE12 6PB

BABES Breastfeeding Support Fridays (Fortnightly) 10.00am-11.00am

East Leake Children's Centre, The Health Centre, Gotham Road, LE12 6JG

Eures Monsell

Tots Time Playgroup

Tuesdays 9.15am - 11.30am St Hugh, Eyres Monsell Parish Church,

Eures Monsell Forest School

Thursdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm (Booking essential) Eyres Monsell Primary School, Simmins Crescent, LE2 9AH

Stay & Play

Fridays 9.30am - 11.00am

Eyres Monsell Children, Young People and Family Centre, Hillsborough Road, LE₂ 9PT

Glenfield

Wriggly Readers

First & third Monday of the month 2.15pm - 2.45pm Glenfield Library, Sandown Court,

LE3 8BT

Toddlers

Fridays 9.30am - 11.00am Glenfield Methodist Church, 7 Station Road, LE3 8BT Saturday Playtime

9aturdays 10.30am - 1.30pm Glenfield Library, Sandown Court, LE3 8BT

★ Goodwood

The Ark Toddler Group Wednesdays 9.30am - 11.30am Goodwood Evangelical Church, Gamel Road, LE5 6TB

Grobu

Wriggly Readers Alternate Thursdays 10.30am - 11.00am Groby Community Library, Leicester Road, LE6 ODQ

Hamilton

Toddler Time

Wednesdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Hamilton Library and Learning Centre, 20 Maidenwell Avenue, LE5 IBL

> Our next issue goes out in October, and covers the months

November '25 - February '26

Interested in advertising your next event to thousands of families around Leicestershire this Winter? Get in touch!

for further details 🖠





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🛊 Hathern

Story Sense Charnwood

Story Adventurers (18m - 5yrs) Mondays 9.30am - 10.15am Story Apprentices (birth - 18m)

Mondays 10.30am - 11.15am Hathern Village Hall, 45 Dovecote Street, **LE12 5H9**

Baby Sparks

Spark Movers Mondays 9.45am - 10.45am Spark Shakers

Mondays 11.00am - 12.00am Little Sparks/Spark Shakers

Mondays 12.15pm - 1.15pm Vikings Soft Play Centre, Unit 3, Viking Court, Shepshed Road, LE12 5LZ

Story Sense Charnwood

Story Adventurers (18m - 5yrs) Wednesdays 9.45am - 10.30am & Thursdays 10.00am - 10.45am Story Apprentices (birth - 18m) Wednesdays 10.45am - 11.30am & Thursdays 11.00am - 11.45am

Mixed Age Fridays 10.00am - 10.45am & 11.00am - 11.45am

Vikings Soft Play Centre, Unit 3, Viking Court, Shepshed Road, LE12 5LZ

Highfields

Toddler Time

Tuesdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Highfields Library, 98 Melbourne Road, LE2 ODS

Stay & Play

Thursdays 1.00pm - 2.30pm Highfields Children, Young People and Family Centre, 20 Barnard Close, LE2

Hinckley

Stau & Plau

Mondaus & Fridaus 2.00pm - 4.00pm Hinckley Library, Lancaster Road, LE10 OĂT

Wriggly Readers

Tuesdays 10.30am - 11.00am (Booking essential)

Hinckley Library, Lancaster Road, LE10 OĂT

Little Bunnies

Wednesdays 10.00am - 11.30am Hinckley Children & Family Centre,

Granville Road, LE9 7NE

Construction Club

Saturdays 10.00am - 1.00pm Hinckley Library, Lancaster Road, LE10 OĂT

Huncote

Big Fun for Little Ones Mondays 10.00am - 11.30am Huncote Family Hub, Huncote Leisure Centre, Sports Field Lane, LE9 3BN

Hugglescote

Baby Sparks

Spark Movers & Shakers Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am Little Sparks Fridays 11.15am - 12.15pm

Hugglescote Community Centre, Grange Road, LE67 2BR

Kirby Muxloe

Toddler Tales

Tuesdays 9.00am - 10.00am Kirby Muxloe Library, Station Road, LE9 2EN

Knighton

Mini Nippers (under 12m) Mondaus 10.15am - 11.45am Knighton Free Church, Brinsmead Road, LEZ 3WB

Toddler Time

Wednesdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Knighton Library, 167-9 Clarendon Park Road, LE2 3AJ

Nippers (12m - 4yrs) Alternate Tuesdays & Fridays

10.00am - 11.30am Knighton Free Church, Brinsmead Road, LE2 3WB

★ Leicester City Centre

Boost Mini Explore (Under 4s) Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am

Saturdays 9.00am - 10.00am Boost Trampoline Park, 11 St George St,

Little Curve Workshops

Tuesdays 10.30am - 11.15am (Booking essential)

Curve Theatre, Rutland Street, LEI ISB

Boost SENsory Sessions (Over 4s) Wednesdays 4.00pm - 5.00pm &r 5.00pm - 6.00pm

Boost Trampoline Park, 11 St George St, **LE1 10G**

Toddler Time

Fridays 10.00am - 12.00pm

Leicester Central Library, Bishop Street,

CQ Earlies

Second Saturday of every month. 1.30pm & 3.00pm (Booking essential)

Curve Theatre, Rutland Street, LEI 19B

Sat Dads

Saturdays (Monthly) 10.00am - 12.00pm St John the Baptist Church, 4a Clarendon Park Road, LE2 3AD

Leicester Forest East

Messy Movers

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 10.15am - 11.15am

9t Andrews Church Hall, Hinckley Road, LE3 3PF

Tots & Dots Toddler Group

Tuesdays 1.30pm - 3.00pm 9t Andrews, Hinckley Road, LE3 3PF

Baby & Toddler Group

Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Leicester Forest East Library 76 Rushmere Walk, Stafford Leus,

LE3 3PD Story & Rhyme Time

Fridays 2.30pm - 3.00pm Leicester Forest East Library 76 Rushmere Walk, Stafford Leus,

Mummy Tribe Fitness Class Wednesdays 10.00am - 10.45am LFE Parish Hall, Forest East Park, 112 Kings Drive, LE3 3JB



Most classes are Term-Time only

★ Loughborough

Toddler Group

Mondays 10.00am - 11.30am Holywell Church, Berkeley Road, LEII 39J

Wriggly Readers

Mondays 10.30am - 11.00am & Thursdays 2.15pm - 2.45pm (Booking advised)

Loughborough Library, 31 Granby Street, LE11 3DU

Little Companions

Tuesdays 10.00am - 11.30am Mountfields Family Hub, Squirrel Way, LFIL3GF

Tots of Fun

Fridays 9.30am - 11.30am The Good Shepherd Church Hall, Park Drive, LET 2HJ

Play Along

First Saturday of every month 10.00am - 11.30am Shelthorpe Family Hub, Beacon Academy, Woodthorpe Rd, LEII 2NF

Dad's Group

First Saturday of every month 10.00am - 12.00pm Mountfields Family Hub, Squirrel Way, **LE11 3GE**

Construction Club

Saturdays 10.00am - 1.00pm Loughborough Library, 31 Granby Street, LE11 3DU

Lutterworth

Gilmorton Babies & Toddlers Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Gilmorton Pavillion, Kimcote Road, Gilmorton, LE17 59P

Wriggly Readers

Thursdays 10.30am - 11.00am Lutterworth Library, George Street, LE17 4ED

Saturday Playtime

Saturdays 10.30am - 1.30pm Lutterworth Library, George Street, **LE17 4ED**

Market Harborough

Wriggly Readers

Thursdays 10.30am - 11.00am Market Harborough Library, The Symington Building, Adam and Eve St, LE16 7LT

Melton Mowbray

Wriggly Readers

Mondays 11.00am - 11.30am Melton Mowbray Library, Wilton Road,

Stay & Play Saturdays

Saturdays 10.00am - 3.00pm Melton Mowbray Library, Wilton Road, LE13 OUJ

Mountsorrel

Wriggly Readers

Tuesdays 9.15am - 10.30am Narborough Library, LE19 2HR

Twirling Toddlers Leicestershire

Little Groovers (1-3yrs) Saturdays 9.30am Twinkle Toes Ballet (2-3yrs) Saturdays 10.00am Funky Feet (2-4yrs) Saturdays 10.30am Bouncing Ballerinas (3-4yrs) Saturdays 11.00am Mountsorrel Memorial Centre,

🛊 Narborough

Leicester Road, LE12 7AJ

Wriggly Readers Tuesdays 9.15am - 10.30am Narborough Library, LE19 2HR

New Parks

Babies Learning Together (Under 1s) Mondays 1.00pm - 2.30pm

New Parks Children, Young People and Family Centre, 20 Home Farm Close, LE4 ORW

Baby Café Breastfeeding Support

Tuesdays 10.30am - 12.00pm

New Parks Team Hub, St Oswalds Road, LE3 6RJ

Team Tots Stay & Play

Wednesdays 9.30am - 11.30am New Parks Team Hub, St Oswalds Road,

LE3 6RJ

Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00pm New Parks Library, 321 Aikman Avenue, LE3 9PW

Stay & Play

Toddler Time

Thursdays 1.00pm - 2.45pm

New Parks Team Hub, St Oswalds Road, LE3 6RJ

SaturDADs

Saturdays 12.00pm - 1.00pm New Parks Team Hub, St Oswalds Road, LE3 6RJ

★ Netherhall

Stay & Play

Thursdays 9.30am - 11.00am Netherhall Children, Young People and Family Centre, New Romney Crescent, LE5 1ŇG

Newbold Verdon

Little Mustard Seeds Stay & Play Mondaus 10.30am - 11.45am

St James' Community Hall, Main Street, LE9 9NL

First & third Tuesday of the month 10.15am - 11.15am Our Library @ Newbold Verdon,

Main Street, LE9 9NP Construction Club

Second Saturday of the month 10.30am - 11.30am Our Library @ Newbold Verdon, Main Street, LE9 9NP

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Parents & Tots Sessions

Weekdays 9.30am - 10.30am & 11.00am - 12.00pm Sundays 9.00am - 10.00am & 10.30am - 11.30am Oadby & Leicester Gymnastics Club,

17 Mandervell Road, LE2 5LR **SFN Sessions**

Sundays 12.00pm - 1.00pm Oadby & Leicester Gumnastics Club. 17 Mandervell Road, LE2 5LR

Wriggly Readers

Wednesdays & Fridays 10.30am - 11.00am Oadby Library, 10 The Parade, LE3 5BF

Saturday Playtime Saturdaus 10.30am - 1.30pm Oadby Library, 10 The Parade, LE3 5BF

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10.00am - 11.00am Wednesdays 10.30am - 11.30am Baby Massage

Tuesdays & Thursdays 11.45am - 12.45pm Wednesdays 12.15pm - 1.15pm <u>Sensory Play (Toddler)</u> Fridays 10.00am - 10.45am

<u>Sensory Play (Active Baby)</u> Fridays 11.15am - 12.00pm

One Ash, Loughborough Road, LE12 8UE Baby Sparks

Spark Movers & Shakers
Tuesdays 11.00am - 12.00pm
Little Sparks
Tuesdays 12.15pm - 1.15pm
Quorn Village Hall, 64 Leicester Road,

LE12 8BB Story Sense Charnwood

Mixed Age Class
Saturdays (Monthly) 10.00am - 11.00am
Ouom Church Rooms, LEI2 8DP

★ Ratby

Wriggly Readers Thursdays 10.30am - 12.00pm Ratby Library, 62 Main Street, LE6 OLN

★ Rothley

Under 5s Story Time Tuesdays & Fridays 9.15am - 10.30am Rothley Library, Mountsorrel Lane, LE7 7PS

🛊 Saffron

Babies Learning Together (Under 1s) Mondays & Thursdays 1.00pm - 2.30pm Saffron Children, Young People and Family Centre, The Crossway, LE2 6QW

★ Shepshed

Wriggly Readers

Fridays 10.30am - 11.00am Shepshed Library, Hall Croft, LE12 9AN Parents & Toddlers

Thursdays 9.30am - 11.00am Shepshed Word of Life Church, Kirkhill,

Construction Club & Board Games Saturdays 10.30am - 1.00pm Shepshed Library, Hall Croft, LEI2 9AN

🛊 Sileby

Tots 'n' Toys Stay & Play Wednesdays 9.00am - 10.45am St Gregory's Hall, 24 The Banks, LEI2 7RE

Syston

Wriggly Readers

Thursdays 10.30am - 11.00am (Booking advised) Syston Library, Upper Church Street,

Lego Saturdays

Last Saturday of every month 10.30am - 12.00pm Syston Library, Upper Church Street, LE7 IHR

★ Thurmaston

Cherubs

Mondays 9.15am - 11.00am Thurmaston Family Hub, Eastfield Primary School, Eastfield Rd, LE4 8FP Bright Sparks

Wednesdays 9.30am - 11.15am Thurmaston Scout & Guide HQ, Unicorn Street, LE4 8AW

Little Ones Learn Wednesdays 10.00am - 11.30am Thurmaston Family Hub, Eastfield Primary School, Eastfield Rd, LE4 8FP

Thurnby Lodge

Stay & Play

LE5 2EG

Mondays 1.15pm - 2.45pm Thurnby Lodge Children, Young People and Family Centre, Dudley Avenue,

Babies Learning Together (Under 1s) Tuesdays 10.00am - 11.30am Thurnby Lodge Children, Young People and Family Centre, Dudley Avenue,

★ Westcotes

Elim Tots Cafe

Mondays 10.00am - 12.00pm Elim Pentecostal Church, Corner of Harrow Road / Narborough Road, LF3 OLF

Toddler Time

Wednesdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Westcotes Library, Narborough Road, LE3 OBQ

Happy Families Parent & Toddler Group Wednesdays 10.00am - 11.30am The Robert Hall Memorial Baptist Church, 147 Narborough Road, LE3 OPD

★ Whetstone

Seedlings Stay & Play Fridays 10.00am-11.30am Springwell, Dog and Gun Lane, Whetstone, LE8 GLJ

★ Wigston

Big Fun for Little Ones Mondays 10.15am - 11.45am Wigston Magna Family Hub, Bull Head Street, LE18 1PA

Wriggly Readers

Tuesdays 10.30am - 11.00am Wigston Library, Bull Head Street, LE18 1PA

Little Conkers Toddler Group Thursdays 10.00am - 11.30am The Salvation Army Leicester South,

Ladysmith Road, LE18 4UZ Tiny Toes (pre-walkers)

Thursdays 2.00pm - 3.30pm Wigston Library, Bull Head Street, LE18 1PA

Saturday Morning Club Saturdays 10.00am - 1.00pm Wigston Library, Bull Head Street, LE18 IPA









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