

Family Friendly Activities October 2019 Half Term

Community Urban Farm Autumn Festival

Oasis Down to Earth Farm is holding a family-friendly fun day on **Saturday 26 October**.

There's lots planned including a pumpkin sale, scarecrow competition, face painting and a craft stall. Come along and meet the lovely animals and show your support for the community centre with a difference.

[Visit the farm's Facebook page](#) for more information.

O A S I S D O W N T O E A R T H F A R M

Oasis Down to Earth Farm is a community centre with a difference: we are based on a farm in urban Southampton. As a not-for-profit charity, our mission is to provide a socially inclusive, happy experience where people of all abilities and differences are respected and valued. We aim to educate, empower and engage with our local community.

We offer people the opportunity to interact with animals and the natural environment. Based on a 5 acre site our facilities include a barn, dairy, large garden to grow fruit and vegetables, pond, wood workshop and two fully equipped community buildings suitable for a range of indoor activities.

During the week we offer activities for adults with Learning Disabilities, children with special needs (SEN and NEET) and school groups. At the weekend we host children's birthday parties and are open to the general public.

Opening Times:

**General public - Saturday and Sunday 10:00am - 4:00pm (BST)
10:00am-3pm (GMT)**

Entry Fees at the weekend:

£2.00 for adults

£1.00 for children

Under 2's free

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Go on a Nature Scavenger Hunt



Follow the nature trails at **Southampton Common**, and discover indigenous mini beasts and habitats including woodland, parklands, ponds and more. Top off your outing with a visit to the Common's new adventure playground, featuring zip wires and a climbing tower as well as traditional swings, slides and roundabouts.

Southampton's Half Term Ghost Trail

26th October 2019 - 3rd November 2019



Are you brave enough to join in the search for the lost Ghost who has escaped **Tudor House** on this spooky half term trail

Follow the free family friendly Ghost Trail around the city discovering hidden Halloween themed letter clues which will reveal the final route location, where on arrival every child who takes part will receive a prize.

Maps will be delivered to local schools, and available for collection from the West Quay and Marlands Information points as well as the Central Library.

Southampton's HALF TERM Ghost Trail 26TH OCT - 3RD NOV

JOIN IN THE FUN!

A ghost has escaped from the Tudor House Museum! Follow the map around Old Southampton and stop off at places he has visited to find the hidden letters and meet some spooky characters along the way!

Find all the clues to spell out the final location and where you can collect your free prize.

OPENING TIMES: 9am - 6pm

ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH TO TAKE ON THE CHALLENGE?

ARE YOU READY?

Flip this map over to enter your answers...

1. The Co-operative Food
2. Princes Trust
3. Ukiyo Hair and Beauty
4. Georges Restaurant
5. Medieval Merchant House
6. Ennino's
7. Arches of Colour
8. Pig In The Wall
9. Duke of Wellington
10. Tudor House and Garden
11. Lankester's Vault

Brought to you by:

Nearest car park
Gloucester Square SO14 2GH and Albion Place, SO14 2BN

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Raver Tots Halloween Spooktacular

27th October 2019 - 27th October 2019 2pm – 5:30pm

Marquee in Guildhall Square



Raver Tots are really excited to bring you a mini family festival, limited to 2000 people, taking place in the centre of Southampton. A giant marquee in Guildhall Square will be fully kitted out with state of the art Raver Tots production, sound, light, and entertainment!

Hear the UK's biggest and best DJ's of all time whilst making memories with the kids in the setting of a crazy Halloween themed festival tent, suitable for all ages 0+

Please note you cannot pay on the day so you must **purchase tickets in advance**. The last event sold out a month in advance.

We have worked hard to make our event unique to any other family event in the UK with a number of completely exclusive, trademarked elements that can never be replicated:

- Exclusively signed artists headline DJ's & MC's
- Unique Raver Tots Decor
- Raver Tots Merch, Glow & UV fun.
- Festival Sized Confetti Blasts
- Face Painting, Balloons and Bubble Blasters
- Parachute Fun
- Huge Dance Floor & Lighting
- Music monitored at safe levels and events are fully risk assessed to meet health and safety guidelines.

Please note that all entertainment will be inside the marquee.

Find out more > Tickets: £6.00 - £9.00 + Booking fee [Get tickets >](#)

Halloween at the House

Thursday 31st October 2019 Tudor House and Garden,

Information: 023 8083 4242

Box Office: 02380 8083 4536



Visit the ghosts and ghouls and meet the skeletons and spooks of Southampton's 600 year old house this Halloween! Book on to a ghost tour of the house (£3), have your face painted, join in with arts and crafts or simply enjoy exploring the house and garden. Small charges apply to additional activities.

Friendly Ghost Tours (All Ages) – £3 each

Our family-friendly ghost tours will explore the spooky stories of Tudor House as you creep up to the spooky attic and into the deep, dark cellars. Bring torches for added fun! This tour goes easy on the frights, but you might still encounter some of the house's resident ghosts! Tours last about 30-40 minutes.

Tour times: 10.30am / 11.30am / 2pm / 3pm / 4pm

Spooky Ghost Tours (7yrs+) – £3 each

Meet the spirits of Tudor House in our fun after-dark ghost tours, exploring the spooky attic and the dank cellars... with added jumps and frights! Recommended for over 6yrs, younger children might prefer our friendly ghost tours. Bring torches for added fun! Tours last about 30-40 minutes.

Tour Times: 5pm / 6pm / 7pm / 8pm

Pre-book these activities on: 023 8083 4536

The Young Ones (Ages 7--13)

Saturday 26th October 2019 10:30am

Southampton City Art Gallery

Information: 023 8083 3007 Box Office: 023 8083 4536



Be enthused and inspired by artist Jo Bressloff and the gallery's fantastic collection. Discover different art techniques such as: monoprinting, wire working, clay, mixed media and much, much more.

Spy Cadets

Saturday 26th October 2019 11:00

Lordshill Community Centre

Information: 07847 213813

Tudor House and Garden

Information: 023 8083 4242

Box Office: 02380 8083 4536

Drop-in Trick or Treat Bags

Monday 28th October 2019 10:30 am 2 Hours £4.50

Create a frightfully great treat bag ready to collect goodies on Halloween



Petrifying Pirates!

Tuesday 29th October 2019 10:30AM (1.5hours) £7

Ahoy me hearties! Come along to hear a tale of buccaneers on the high seas and create your very own pirate kit, complete with working navigational device, head scarf, eye patch, and some fun pirate facts!

Suitable for ages 5--11.

Ditch the Stabilisers

Monday 28th October 2019 10am - Riverside Park, Manor Farm Road



Join My Journey to get rid of those stabilisers and get your child cycling. Suitable for ages 3 and up, we focus on balancing and scooting skills, sometimes with the pedals removed, before moving onto pedalling. We encourage parents and guardians to get involved with the lesson and learn the process, so you and your child can continue to practice at home.

Find us at the cycle track in Riverside Park beside Riverside Park Railway and the play area for a prompt start. Please bring your own bike, preferably with the stabilisers removed. However, if you are struggling to get them off, we have tools on hand to help. Please be aware that the session may be cancelled if the weather is poor - please dress appropriately to the weather.

FAQ:

Are there ID or minimum age requirements to enter the event?

The session is normally suitable for ages 3-5 but we can accept older children too.

What are my transport/parking options for getting to and from the event?

There is car parking available next to the play area, it is accessible from Manor Farm Road. The entrance is on the left as you head up to Townhill, opposite Nursery Road and next to Bitterne Park Social Club

Do I have to bring my printed ticket to the event?

No, you don't need to bring a printed ticket.

Can I update my registration information?

If you need to change your details, or cancel your booking please contact ruth.magennis@cyclingsuk.org or 07467336197.

Disney Family Swimming Sessions

Saturday 26th October 2019 2PM

The Quays Swimming & Diving Complex, Information: 023 8072 0900



Join us for our all new Disney Themed Family Swimming Sessions at The Quays Swimming & Diving Complex!

We kick off on Saturday 1st June with our Toy Story themed sessions with two 45 minute sessions to choose from in the Leisure Pool at 2pm to 2.45pm and 2.45pm to 3.30pm.

You'll take part in 10 games and activities focused on core aquatic skills and inspired by Disney storytelling. The sessions are designed for children aged 3-11 years who must be accompanied by parents/guardians (normal child admission policy applies, over 8' will still need to be with a parent).

The cost for the sessions is as follows:

Adult - £6.65

Child 4-16yrs - £4.20

Under 4's FREE

Family swim £18.10

Book now on 023 8072 0900 or email thequays@activenation.org.uk

Halloween at The Marlands

From Saturday 26th October 2019 – Thursday 31st October 2019

Marlands Shopping Centre

Information: 023 8033 9164

Join in our great events this Halloween at The Marlands.

Get the kids active with our free Trick or Treat Trail from the 26 – 31 October
Just bring them to the information desk on the ground floor where they can
pick up their entry form and could have a chance to win
Disney 'Nightmare before Christmas' merchandise.

To enter follow the clues to the stores and find our special Halloween Stamps,
stamp the correct Halloween related picture on your form and when you have
all six, fill in your details and hand in to the help desk.

Bring the kids to The Disney Store during half term week 28 October –
November and take part in their Arts and Craft activities all week.

On Thursday the 31 October come along to our Halloween Craft Workshop
with The Creation Station, KidX will be here with their free colouring activities
and Funky Face will be joining us for fabulous free face painting and glitter
tattoos

Space to Create!

Saturday 26th October 2019 12noon (4 hours) Free Session

Saturday 2nd November 2019 12noon (4 hours) Free Session

John Hansard Gallery 142-144 Above Bar Street

Information: 023 8059 2158



Free, family-friendly workshops for visitors to draw, make and build together, inspired by the themes and materials on display in the galleries

Art School for Autumn

Tuesday 29th October 2019 10:30 am (5 hours) £20

Southampton City Art Gallery

Information: 023 8083 3007 Box Office: 023 8083 4536



Taking inspiration from our Pre-Raphaelite exhibition, spend the day exploring stories and symbolism in art. We will be using wire and mixed media to create a stunning 3D version of your favourite artwork. Suitable for ages 7+.

The Great British Boat Off!

Wednesday 30th October 2019 10:30 (4.5hours) £18

SeaCity Museum

Information: 023 8083 4536 Box Office: 02380 8083 4536

Join inventor and artist Ali Eales to create your own boat in this craft and history-packed session! Inspired by our museum, design, test and showcase your own nautical creation made from mainly recycled materials! You may get wet! Bring lunch. Suitable for ages 7--12.

Sticking Together craft morning at Lordshill Library

Saturday 26 October 10:30am -12noon

Saturday 2nd November 10:30am-12noon

"Sticking Together" craft mornings are suitable for children aged 3-11. The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Rhyme time at Millbrook Community Library

28 October 2pm - 3 pm

The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Rhyme time at Shirley Library

Wednesday 30 October 10:30am -11am

The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Rhyme time at Central Library

Thursday 31 October 2-2:30pm

The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Spooky Park Family Fun 'Bling your bike' and fancy dress

Saturday 26 October / 2-4pm / Freemantle Lake Park, Lakelands Drive, SO15 3FS

Come and join Friends of Freemantle Lake Park for an afternoon of spooky fun. There will be a trail, games and fancy dress competition as well as cycling activities.

There will have a bike doctor, a ditch the stabilisers session and a spooky 'Bling your Bike' activity to decorate your bikes. At 3.30pm there will be a bike parade and a prize given to the best looking bike! You can also come with your bike dressed up already.

There will also be some reconditioned bikes for sale.

Refreshments available. For more information [visit their facebook events page.](#)

Football sessions at the park

Saturday 2.30-3.30pm / St.James' Park, SO15 5SD
**Hosted by Friends of St. James' Park / Active Nation/
 Parklives will be running weekly Football sessions.**

Head down to St James Park on Saturdays to have a kick about!
 Bring your parents and siblings and see if you are the best football family in the area!

The session will involve games and a weekly match organised by an experienced session leader.

For more information [visit their facebook events page.](#)

Halloween Pumpkin Hunt - by Active Nation

**Friday 1 November / 11am-2pm / The Outdoor Sports Centre, -
 tickets £1.50**

Get spooky this Halloween at Southampton's annual Pumpkin Hunt hosted at Southampton Outdoor Sports Centre.

A day full of guaranteed fun for the entire family - including optional dress to impress!

Meet by the Reception Block (next to the artificial pitches) to sign in with your [eventbright ticket](#). Come "Styled to Scare" in your most frightening fancy dress!

For more information and to get tickets [visit their facebook page.](#)

