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TO THE NEW YEAR 2023 EDITION!

The New Year is a time to look back and to look forward. Some people make resolutions to break bad habits, create new ones or maintain existing ones. The team at Toddle About also has a resolution it intends to keep; to continue to help families love life with little ones and provide you with a wealth of local information for all things bump, baby and toddler. Check out all the great things in your area in the Daily Activity Planner on **pages 32 - 49**.

We've also got a brand new feature for you in 2023 as we've teamed up with mum blogger 'Spectrum mum adventure' to share some of her favourite adventures and activities to give you our top tips to try out with your little ones. So, grab your wellies and scarf and explore the great outdoors with these great winter events on **pages 7, 9 and 25**.

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Please help us plant a forest by subscribing to the Toddle About magazine. We are committed to planting a new tree for every subscriber magazine we send out.

See our trees at ecologi.com/toddleabout

New adventures are around the corner. Happy New Year!

Loving life with little ones,

MANAGING DIRECTOR

PS. Have you used the Toddle About website yet? Simply pop in your postcode, and you will be shown all the different things on offer for little ones near you. Head there now: **www.toddleabout.co.uk**

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Bite sized news

Cakes for all occasions!

Delicate Sugars make cakes for all occasions at a reasonable price. Whether it's your little ones birthday party coming up and you need a fun cake for them to get stuck into, or if you've got a loved ones birthday just around



the corner and you want a fabulous cake made for them to show them how much they mean to you. They also make birthday cakes for beloved pooches! Get in contact with Charlotte at Delicatesugars@outlook.com to create your bespoke dream cake!

Offer: 10% off any cake order until March with code 'TODDLE10' www.delicatesugars.co.uk See P.15



Mother's Day Specials kick start the season

2023 looks set to be an exciting and event-filled year at the Northampton & Lamport Railway! Train services begin on Sunday 19th March (Mother's Day - mums ride FREE), and then run every Sunday until 10th Sept, with lots of events in between. See our website for full information. You can also follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The railway is run completely by volunteers, working to preserve local railway heritage for future generations. Full event information available at www.nlr.org.uk. See P.8

All in One Class at Tots Play!

Every class your child needs in one! Get the most value from your baby or toddler class by joining Sarah at Tots Play! Each class is tailored to engage and support your baby's development whilst covering a range of activities such as baby massage, yoga, sign language, music,



sensory and physical play. You can enjoy spending special time together in a warm, welcoming environment plus learn lots of ways to continue to support their development at home. Offer: 10% off any class or course booking Contact www.totsplay.co.uk/northampton-south See P.28

SENsational SENsory Sessions!

They are not just welcoming in the New Year this January! At the SEN-ED kitchen, they are welcoming their new SENsory Kitchen Sessions. These are an opportunity for children to come and explore different



food-based sensory activities. Picture an edible version of messy play with the added bonus of all senses having the opportunity to be stimulated. This is a great session for toddlers, pre-schoolers and especially those SEND children who are sensory seekers.

For more information or to book your place, contact Sarah on 07857635053 or visit **www.senedkitchen.co.uk Offer:** 10% off any session with code TODDLEABOUT10 **See P.8**



Cook a long at Home with Maria!

As well as their popular preschool classes, you can now cook from home following along with Maria, from Eat Sleep Bake Repeat, in a series of cookalong videos. Are you living with a future bake-off champion? Whatever your reason to want to learn to cook they have the course for you. New videos are being uploaded every week.

For more information, check out eat-sleep-bake-repeat.newzenler.com/courses See P.35



Hartbeeps magic at weekends!

Hartbeeps Northamptonshire are delighted to be running some weekend sessions at Chester House in 2023! So for those who have returned to



work, or the parent at work in the week now is your chance to enjoy some Hartbeeps magic!

To register your interest please join their mailing list and they will send out all the booking information. www.hartbeeps.com/northamptonshire

amy@hartbeeps.com See P.37

An Award Winning Sensory Experience

My Baby Spa is an award winning sensory experience for newborns to 12 month old babies & 1 to 4 year old toddlers and now in Northampton! full 60 minute experience includes colour changing baby jacuzzi with massaging whisper iets



and midwives slopes so baby is safe in water, toddler foot spas with natural spa products for role play, guided baby bonding massage with 100% natural, vegan & organic oil, baby safe mani and a My Baby Spa mini photo shoot all for just £30!

Offer: Use code TODDLE10 for 10% off www.mybabyspa.co.uk See P.15



Treat a mum this Mother's Day with Mamababybliss

Looking after Mum is at the centre of all MamaBabyBliss classes, courses, and workshops. MamaBabyBliss South Northamptonshire offer classes ranging from Pregnancy Yoga through to Baby Massage and Baby Yoga. Weekend one-hour workshops such as Daddy and Baby Massage, Daddy and Baby Yoga and Grandparent(s) and Baby Massage, are proving popular. Supporting development milestones are two-hour workshops, Starting Solids, when introducing food to your baby and Toddler-Led Toileting when you are considering starting "potty training". All are run from the Roade House Yoga Studio. Contact Hayley.clarke@mamababyblisss.com for further details. See P.46

100% Pass Rate for Krystle Jayne's!

Krystle Jayne's Dance Academy are celebrating after receiving another 100% pass rate in their

Royal Academy of Dance ballet exams. The RAD is the most prestigious exam board and the majority of students passed with Distinction.

Enrolling now at all locations: Brixworth,

Grange Park, Roade & Soo Yoga. We offer ballet from 2.5 years, tap from 4 years and street dance from 5 years.

Offer: FREE Trial, along with sibling and multiple class discounts.

www.krystlejaynedanceacademy.co.uk See P.28





Northampton Baby & Children's Market will be returning to Northampton High School!! Stalls will be bursting with new and nearly-new baby & children's items, so come along and grab yourself some bargains! We'll also have a small selection of unique businesses showcasing their products and services, come along and grab some bargains!

£1.50 entry, kids go free! Or, if you need to clean out those cupboards, why not book a stall!

Northampton: Saturday 25th March, 11am - 12.30pm, Northampton High School Sports Centre, NN4 6UU. www.babyandchildrensmarket.co.uk



Bite sized news

Birth Confidence with Nova Serene



Trained Hypnobirthing and Relaxation Practitioner based in Northampton, Jackie Blair (mum of 3), founded Nova Serene Birthing to cater for ALL pregnant women seeking a calm, positive and relaxed birth.

Offering Hypnobirthing Courses, Pregnancy Relaxation Classes & Community Support Sessions.

Feeling nervous, anxious, or unprepared for birth? Jackie's classes/courses will help with this by providing support, techniques or full antenatal birthing preparation to have a confident birth. Offering friendly and first class service with ongoing support and access to WhatsApp or Facebook group.

Offer: Quote TODDLEABOUT for FREE relaxation class

Check out www.novaserenebirthing.co.uk See P.28



Fun and friendly swimming lessons!

Jane and Jacqui have both been teaching children of all ages for many years around Northamptonshire .

Teaching is their passion and pleasure. They love to see the children enjoy their time in the water, gaining water skills which are not just for early years, they are for their future in and around water.

Their Parent & Baby classes are personal and friendly. They encourage parents and grandparents to be involved in the children's learning. They were very lucky to have the opportunity to open the pool at Long Buckby in 2021. The water temperature is kept at 32 degrees, to maintain a warm environment for the children to relax and have fun in their lesson. **Offer:** FREE swim nappy at your first class **Contact SwimschoolJJ@gmail.com See P.29**

MINI MUSEUM EXPLORERS AT Northampton Museums

Join us at Northampton Museum for our popular hands-on and fun preschool sessions for the under-fives.

Explore the museum through stories, music, art and craft activities whilst making new friends and creating memories in an engaging and family friendly environment.

Held on Friday mornings during term time with a different theme each week

13 January - Hands and Feet 20 January - Chinese New Year 27 January – Paintings (Town and County) 3 February - Birds 10 February - Valentine's

£4 per child per session, refreshments included.

Northampton Museum & Art Gallery





Booking essential, places are limited – book online at www.northamptonmusuems.com

24 February – The Romans

3 March - Animals

10 March - Sounds

17 March - Portraits

24 March - Spring

31 March - Easter



WINTER Days Out

JAN - MINI MUSEUM EXPLORERS MAR Northampton Museum & Art Gallery

Join the Northampton Museum for hands-on fun sessions for the under-fives. Explore the museum with stories, music and art and craft activities, whilst making new friends and creating memories in an engaging and family-friendly environment. With a different theme and activities each week.

These sessions are for pre-school children (2-5 years) and their parent and carers. Booking essential as places are limited. Friday mornings in term time.

4-6 Guildhall Road, Northampton, NN1 1DP

Tel: 01604 838111 www.northamptonmuseums.com *Cost: Children £4 per session. Booking required, places limited*

From PAW PRINTS TRAIL FEB 11 Canons Ashby, 10am-4pm

Bring your young nature detectives and look around the outdoor spaces for nice and nasty nature clues. What creatures live nearby, and how can you tell? Normal admission prices apply. Please dress up for the weather and remember your wellies! From 11 February until 26 March any time they are open. Canons Ashby, Northants, NN11 3SD

Tel: 01327 861900 CanonsAshbyNT

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/canons-ashby Cost: Adult £11, Child £5.50

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PARENT MEETS

Various locations within Northants

A brilliant group to meet other parents around Northampton. Various locations, pram friendly (no battles with flights of stairs here!) and inclusive to ALL parents, this isn't a typical mum group. They welcome stay at home dads, adoptive parents, same sex parents, grandparents, foster parents and anyone inbetween. The group aims to provide easy, stress free meet ups.

In and around Northampton, for up to date details and future dates see **③** ParentMeets **④** Parent_Meets Cost: FREE events, just bring enough for a cuppa or food

FEB SNOWDROP DAYS -28 Evenley Wood Garden, 10am-4pm

With over 80 varieties of magnificent snowdrops planted in swathes throughout this beautiful 60-acre woodland haven, it's sure to be the perfect place to come and escape this winter. Spot them as you follow the many paths and rides, weave your way through the tall trees, and take a stroll along the bank of the peaceful stream. You might even spot the roaming guinea fow!!

Evenley Wood Garden, Evenley, NN13 5SH Tel: 07776 307849 () Evenley Wood Garden

www.evenleywoodgarden.co.uk Cost: Adult £7.50, Child £1. Booking not required.

FEB []][[] U(]Y DUCKLING 23 The Core @ Corby Cube, 2pm & 4pm

Ugly Duckling is lonely and fed-up, ignored by those around her who think she is too ugly to fit in. She tries to make friends with fellow ducklings as well as with frogs, cats and even a fox, but realising she is not like any of these animals, she is left sad and alone. Follow the duckling on her journey as she overcomes her troubles and realises that she was beautiful all along.

The Core @ Corby Cube, Corby, NN17 1QG Tel: 01536 470 470 TheCoreAtCorbyCube www.thecorecorby.com Cost: Adult £8.50, Child £6.50

MAR 12 Rookery Open Farm, 10am-5pm

The relaxed and welcoming atmosphere will encourage young and old alike to learn about our animals, farming and make new friends at the same time. During the lambing season you may be able to experience seeing some of the baby lambs being born.

Rookery Open Farm, Stoke Bruerne, Towcester, Northants, NN12 7SJ

Tel: 01604 864 855 **()** RookeryOpenFarm

Cost: Adults £8, Children £7.50. Children under 2 enter FREE







SEND @ THE HUB Riverside Hub Booking required ©

Families of children with special needs and disabilities are welcome to visit the Hub at any time, however, they have dedicated SEND events especially for SEND families and their friends.

These events are quieter than the usual play sessions and take place once the venue has closed.

Friday 6th January, Friday 10th February & Friday 31st March

Times: 3.30-6pm & 6.30-9pm. Baby (under 1 year) £4.80, Child 1-3 years £9.60

Child 4-17 years £12, Adult carer Free

Riverside Retail Park, 7 Carousel Way, Northampton NN3 9HG Tel: 01604 403003 (Riversidehub www.riversidehub.com



GRAVITY SENSORY SESSIONS

Gravity Trampoline Park, Northampton Booking required

The lights come up and the sounds go down at their relaxed SEN sessions.

Trampolining has been shown to help with a wide range of sensory, developmental and physical disabilities. In their SEN sessions, the whole park and its facilities are made exclusively available to members of recognised disabled groups and societies and caters for a wide range of disabilities.

60 minute whole park session.

£5 per participant. Use code COMPCARER at checkout for one free carer with every SEN session

Wednesdays 4pm, Fridays 3pm and Sundays 9am (during term time)

Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am (during February half term)

Sol Central, Mare Fair, Northampton NN1 1SR Tel: 0330 1595815 Gravity Northampton www.gravitynorthampton.centeredgeonline.com

JAN- SPORT4FITNESS CLUBS

MAR Fernie Fields Sport & Social Club Booking required @

3-7 years Football Club

A fun safe environment to build the foundation of gross, fine motor skills, communication, teamwork and scoring goals! Sundays - 9:45 - 10:45am

£3 per child First session is FREE

Gardening Club

The Sensory Garden always needs help throughout the year, they now run a gardening club for all that like to get their hands dirty.

Fridays - 12 - 1pm £2.50 for one child £5 for two or more children

Parents & Carers are free

Fernie Fields Sport & Social Club, Fernie Field, Moulton, Northampton NN3 7BD

Tel: 07491 306630 **f** Sport4Fitness CIC www.sport4fitness-cic.co.uk



BAKE ME A CREAM TEA

SENsational EDucational Kitchen Booking required 🛇

A Mothers Day baking experience.

It is an opportunity to spoil mums in a different way! During the experience, mum is spoilt by her special little person/people (and husband/partner if they want to come too) who bake scones plus either cupcakes, biscuits or jam tarts for her to enjoy with a cuppa.

The experiences will run after Mother's Day, the idea being that a voucher is bought and gifted on Mother's Day.

sarah@senedkitchen.co.uk

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WE CAN play & grow



In an age where technology is so heavily integrated into our lives, have our children forgotten how to use their imagination?

Let me take you back - it's 1997, it's the end of another busy week at school, and my resident Beanie Babies are preparing for their usual Friday night disco. The posters are up and everyone is excited to let loose and unwind!

My brother's Action Man is working security tonight, because last week's disco ended in a bit of a tussle between the cat Beanies and dog Beanies, and you never know when someone is going to start some beef... Six-year-old me is having the **time of her life.**

Looking back, this was what childhood was all about for me - role play, imagination, creation.

But times are changing. For better or for worse, I can't imagine my son engaging in much of this type of play. For his generation, it's all tablets and smart phones - children have access to this technology before they're even able to walk. Entertainment is ported straight into their brain, and they can simply disengage and let it happen.

And while the advances in technology have made our lives infinitely easier, I do wonder whether it's really a good thing. Should our children be able to play, explore their own imagination and entertain themselves like we did? Or am I simply struggling to come to terms with a changing world? Perhaps, instead of worrying, we should just encourage our children to flex their imaginations every now and again, instead of fighting the inevitable. Here are some of my favourite ways to do this:

Arts and crafts - a fantastic and varied way to promote creativity and imagination in ways that your kids will love. It doesn't have to get messy (if you're anything like me, you like to avoid that where possible) - there's always paper and crayons!

Outside play - another great idea for showing kids that there is so much fun to be had away from a screen! There are plenty of ways for everyone to enjoy the great outdoors - nature walks, bug hunts, star gazing - it really is a great big world out there.

Books – are *so* good for promoting imagination and independence in children. Story books are the windows to other worlds and can take children on endless adventures, and there are plenty of practical but fun books out there to inspire you with different games to play and activities to explore.

Join The Debate!

What do you think? Do kids have less imagination these days? Should we encourage more 'traditional' play, or should we embrace technology and the benefits it brings?



Tell us what you think in our poll at www.toddle.fun/vote

We'll share the results with you in our next issue!

Kat Walsh is the author of the book 'The Box', which is heavily themed around imaginative play. If you'd like to discover what adventures can be had with a box and some good old-fashioned imagination, buy from Amazon at https://amzn.to/3UqUQfC



Winner

TODDLE MODELS



Evie and Orla, 1 year old

Baby and Toddler Photo Competition Winner

Thank you to everyone who entered our Autumn Toddle Models competition!

We hope you enjoy looking through the entries as much as we have. Congratulations go to **Evie and Orla** who have won a £50 voucher for their parents to spend at B&M!

Unfortunately, we're unable to print all the entries (sorry!), but here is a random selection for you to enjoy.







Aria-Rose, 4 years



Astrid, 0 years



Ava , 0 years



Betty, 3 years



Bobbi, 4 years



Carmella , 3 years



Charlie, 2 years



Chester, 3 years



Dylan, 1 years



Elara, 1 years



Elliott, 3 years



Enzo, 0 years



Frank, 0 years



Freddie, 0 years









Holly, 3 years



Isla, 3 years

Toddle Models Entries continued...





Jackson, 0 years



Jasper, 5 years



Jenson , 2 years



Josephine, 2 years



Lilith, 2 years

Always





Lottie, 1 year



Maeve, 1 year



Ophelia & Violet, 0 & 3 years



Reggie, 0 years



Ruben, 2 years



Sebastian , 2 years



Sienna, 1 years



Tymon, 0 years



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Find out more about the LEGOLAND Windsor Resort at www.LEGOLAND.co.uk

HOW TO ENTER: Send us a photo of your little one enjoying some wintery fun. Outdoors or indoors, it all counts!

We will print as many entries as possible in the next Toddle About magazine to give you a lovely keepsake.

Submit your photo by Sun 26 February 2023.



ENTER AT: www.toddle.fun/toddlemodels

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This retro game helps to promote literacy and co-ordination skills. The exciting speed fishing game for two players has three different games to play and features 100 word-cards so it improves spelling skills while having lots of fun. You can also learn French, Spanish and Italian words too!

www.fiestacrafts.co.uk



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www.enjoywithmaxandivy.com



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READER PRODUCT REVIEW

INTERACTIVE WORRY PLAQUE, £24.99

My 4-year-old daughter is prone to over-thinking. She tends to worry about things and, like most children her age, she has trouble dealing with her feelings. So, I was excited to review this

product. The Worry Plaque is shaped like a section of a log - to activate the plaque, your child must place their hand into the hand print shape on the front. When it glows red, your child can tell their worry to the fairies. Then the hand print turns green, indicating that the fairies have heard the worry and taken it away. As my daughter used it, her little face lit up, and she told me, 'Mummy it really works!' For me, having spent countless nights trying to help my daughter deal with very real anxieties, this simple but effective plaque is absolutely genius.

Written by subscriber Kellie-Jayne. www.theirishfairydoorcompany.com (Review has been edited - see full review at www.toddle.fun/worry-plaque-review).



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VIP CLUB READER REVIEW: Convertible Ice Cream Shop Activity Book *****

Written by reader Chrishna Vaja

The Convertible Ice Cream Shop (RRP. \pm 19.99) is an activity book and easy-to-assemble pop-up ice cream shop toy with slot-together ice creams for independent play for 3+ years.

What a great idea! This role play toy comes 'flatpacked' as a big book so it's easy to transport and, when open, it turns into a pop-up ice cream shop.

My son spent most of his time as the ice cream shop owner, making us ice creams and excitedly asking us what toppings we would like. Toppings included fruit, chocolate, sweets and multiple flavours of sauces.

The sides of the pop-up shop can be used to put scoops of ice cream on images of cones, either one or multiple scoops on top of each other. It even has a check-out till image so the children can pretend to press buttons and take payment.



The only limitation is that there are only a couple of lollies and no place to really place them. Another recommendation would be to have some play money.

This product can also be used as a book. I love how colourful and engaging the book is and enjoyed seeing my son talking about the pictures. There are also questions written throughout the product to engage children and get them thinking: for example, "What colour is the strawberry flavour?"

Loved using this and so did my son. I wouldn't hesitate to recommend it!

Buy from www.mileskelly.net

Chrishna was given this product as a freebie in return for writing this review. Subscribe to Toddle About and you can do the same! Find out more and subscribe at www.toddle.fun/vip Review has been edited - read this and more reader reviews by scanning here



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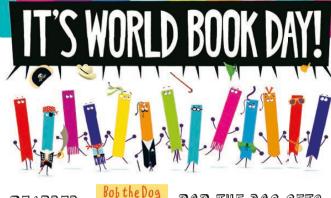


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MY MAGICAL BEARDED FRIEND by chris husband

Encounter a mysterious character who gradually appears when the sun starts to go down and disappears when the sun reappears in the morning. Is he a real person or just a trick of the eye? Rhyming words and an engaging vocabulary will help even hesitant children work on their reading skills, with an amusing tone and colourful illustrations. **Cost:** £9.99. **Buy from** Amazon



FLYING SCOTSMAN AND THE BEST BIBTHDAY EVEB by michael morpurgo

Paying tribute to the women who kept the railways running during the Second World War, this story is warmly written and joyously illustrated and has family at its heart. Iris knows everything there is to know about Flying Scotsman. Her dad is the famous train's driver, and every year her favourite birthday treat is a trip to see him at work. But each time Flying Scotsman pulls away, Iris wishes more than anything that she could be in the driver's cab, just like her dad. Then again, who's to stop her...

Cost: £12.99. Buy from Amazon

THE BOX by kat walsh

Dexter is in for a whirlwind of adventure when he realises that with a little bit of imagination, this boring old box can be just about anything at all - a pirate ship? A rocket? A stage for a puppet show? Join him on his adventures to find out and be inspired.

Cost: £5.99. Buy from Amazon



BOB THE DOG GETS A JOB by tracey hammett

Bob the Dog is a busy dog. She always likes to have a job. One sunny day, Bob heads to the park to look for a new job and gets one at an ice cream van. Bob starts really well, serving every single customer, until the cones run out and the ice cream machine won't stop making ice cream! Find out what happens to Bob and how she becomes the talk of the town. **Cost:** £7.99.

Buy from www.graffeg.com



THE HEART OF A GIANT by hollie hughes

There's a shape up in the hills, where a giant's said to sleep, beneath a

grassy blanket, on a bed of moss and peat... Then, one day, the sleeping giant wakes – and a small boy called Tom is plunged into an unforgettable adventure. Along the way, he'll discover what it means to be a true friend – and that even an ordinary boy can have the heart of a giant. With beautiful rhyming verse and gorgeous illustrations, this book is a real treat.

Cost: £7.99. Buy from www.bloomsbury.com



IF I WERE THE WORLD BY MARK SPERRING

If I were the world, I'd want flowers and bees. A chorus of birds singing high in the trees. If I were the world, I'd want sparkling seas. If I were the world... Would YOU look after ME?

This beautiful and uplifting book will inspire us all to join hands and help our amazing planet. With an irresistible rhyming text and stunning illustrations, it's the perfect book to inspire children to ask questions and take action.

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Continuing with our celebration of all things books, to mark World Book Day on 2nd March, we invited dad and author Tom Kreffer to share a story with us. It's a story that is at once familiar and ordinary, and yet amusing, emotional and, surprisingly, full of adventure. We hope you like it...

My son, Arlo, is almost three. Today, he's at nursery, and I'm on pick-up duty (which I love). It's a task that ranks in my top three parenting responsibilities. I snake my way through the building occupied by loud, shrieking children and always-busy, alwayson-their-feet staff. I pass walls that host artistic endeavours created by small, curious hands.

Nine times out of ten, I'll find Arlo in the garden. He's an outdoor kind of guy. And he's always easy to locate among the sea of moving infants because he's often the loudest among them.

'Daddy!'

I still get a buzz when I hear myself referred to as 'Daddy', a badge of honour that I'm proud to wear each day; I still occasionally question if it's real.

'Hey bud, have you had a good day?'

'Yes, I have.'

A member of staff gives me the highlights from the day. Since Arlo changed his nursery setting over a year ago, he's had pretty much nothing but good days – a stat any parent would welcome.

We always have a set agenda to work through on our walk back home. First, we stop to pick up stones. Arlo is considerate enough to get one for each of us. Sometimes, the stones come from the pavement. Other times, they come from the front garden of one of the houses we pass. It has a gravel section that's marginally thinner than it was eight months ago.

Next, we visit a flat-development site. Most of the time, it's shut for the day, and we can only look in through the chain-mail fence. But today we strike gold: the gate is still open. There's a man in a hi-vis jacket, guiding a reversing flatbed truck onto the site with some expert arm-waving. Arlo and I stand to one side.

'Can we watch the whole thing, Daddy?' he says, with a face full of fascination.

'You betcha.'

We're midway through 'watching the whole thing' when another man arrives on the scene, instantly grabbing Arlo's attention. 'Daddy, that man has a hard hat. He might be the head builder.'

'Why don't you ask him?'

'Excuse me, are you the head builder?'

He smiles warmly, like most tradespeople do at a toddler in awe of their profession.

'Not likely. I don't get paid enough to be the head builder.'

We leave the site, and Arlo locates 'the wall'. It's typical by most wall standards, coming up to the bottom of my ribcage. This means it's high enough



to be considered adventurous if you're under a metre tall and you choose to walk on it, which Arlo does. He used to want to hold my hand. Now he's getting daring, mainly walking by himself, though I'm always by his side ready to spring into action should the need arise.

We meet a pillar box positioned flush against the wall Arlo's walking on. He stops walking, turns and crouches, transitioning into the next item of our walking home agenda: opening the shop.

'Would you like to buy anything from my shop, Daddy?'

'Oh, I would love to. What do you have in stock today?'

'Erm, I've got some apples, some pears and some books.'

'Excellent. I'll take the lot.'

'OK, here you go.'

'Thank you,' I say, pocketing the imaginary goods. 'How much do I owe you?'

'Two pounds, please.'

It's always two pounds, no matter what he sells me. Sometimes, I get an even better bargain than the one I've just got.

Arlo resumes the walk along the wall until he reaches the end. Then he holds on to my hands and jumps off.

Then I fly him up the street like an aeroplane.

Then I get tired and put him down.

Then he pretends to put some imaginary energy in my pocket and demands more aeroplane action. I can't say no, no matter how hard my lungs protest.

He asks questions that I don't know the answers to, like what type of berry is on a tree or why there is a particular shape of cloud in the sky. He makes me feel ignorant and full of wonder at the same time. Through his eyes, I'm treated to a unique view of the world that I haven't experienced since I was his age. Not that I remember it.

'Look, Daddy, a robot!'

He's not wrong. It's a small white thing on wheels, shaped like a large vacuum cleaner. These robots



deliver food. I find their presence poignant. They remind me of my childhood and what technology was like when I was small (Walkman, anyone?). I consider what life will be like for Arlo when he's grown up. I wonder what technological achievements his kids will find fascinating. That's if he has any, of course.

We cross the road and turn down our street. We see a dog. 'I love that doggy, Daddy.'

He says that about every dog we pass in the street.

We reach our door. As I'm getting my keys out, Arlo decides to conduct an enquiry about something he sees stuck on the wall. It's a piece of chewing gum. He's already touching it when I notice.

'Arlo, that's dirty.'

'Should someone have put it in the bin?'

'Yes, they should.'

'Can I have a little play when we get inside?'

'Yea—'

'Actually, I want a snack first. Can I have a cracker?' 'A cracker ple—'

'Please!

'Sure!'

'Hooray! Thank you, Daddy.'

'You're welcome, Arlo.'

I open the door, and we both walk in.

All in all, a pretty solid walk home.



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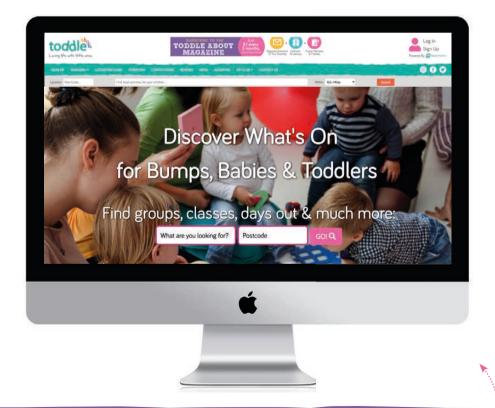
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KIDDIE PROOFING YOUR RELATIONSHIP by Anna Williamson

Anyone who ever uttered the words 'let's have a baby, it will bring us closer together' has clearly never endured the parenting tag team during endless night feeds.

Having a baby is undoubtedly a wonderful occasion - it's life changing in so many beautiful ways. But it's also mind-blowingly challenging in others, and it's important that every parent feels able to say and acknowledge the highs and the lows that being mummy and daddy often brings. To say it's a 'rollercoaster' is perhaps a very clichéd phrase, but I think it's the perfect description for what it often feels like – hurtling down the parenting tracks, unable to get off, and often looking windswept and shell-shocked to boot.

It's fair to say that the role of being a parent takes over your life, your emotions ... and your bank balance! It also has an enormous impact on your relationship.

According to some reports, 1 in 5 couples break up within the first year of having a baby, and as sad as that statistic is, I can understand why. Babies need constant attention. They rely on us adults solely for their survival, and that's more than a little overwhelming. Our partner and our relationship often get shoved right down the pecking order of priorities. So if your relationship is feeling the strain, that's OK. It's normal. But this is the time to take stock and work out ways to ensure that you can keep some time and energy aside for each other - otherwise you run the risk of turning into glorified roommates.

Now, it's not all about sex. In fact, sex is most often the last thing on a couple's mind in the first few months – particularly for mum who has been through the birthing process – and the 'right time' to get your sex life back on track will be different for every couple.

A good tip is to actually take sex off the table for a bit, and instead work on emotional and physical intimacy. This could be hugging, enjoying a little shoulder or foot rub, curling up together on the sofa, chatting, and having a no pressure kiss.

Just being intimate with your partner, letting them know how much you love them, appreciate them, and respect them can make all the difference for a mutually happy couple, particularly when you're feeling exhausted and desperate for some adult time away from the nappy changing.

Find some time each day to be together as a couple, even it's only 10 minutes! Make sure you make it a priority to re-connect, to share your feelings and news, to let each other know you've got their back. It can make all the difference to keep the 'couple cup' full and fulfilled.



Anna Williamson is the resident relationship expert at The Relationship Place. If you and your relationship would like some more help, support and advice, check out therelationshipplace.co.uk and try out her Couples and Kids Plan, where you can access video coaching tutorials and much more. For a free taster video head to therelationshipplace.co.uk/couples-with-kids-free-giveaway



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I'm no expert, I'm just a mum, trying to advocate for families in similar situations to us. I have a 4 year old on the ASD pathway, a stepson who is 11 and I will give honest reviews of places we visit.

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The play equipment is a lovely wooden structure. However, you would need to be able to climb independently to use it. The highlight for us must be being able to pet/handle and feed some of the animals. Our son has a keen interest in animals, so he was really engaged. In fact the whole family loved it.*Read the full review at toddleabout.co.uk/reviews

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1 When you know change is coming, get your little one used to the idea a short while in advance by talking about what's going to happen and building familiarity with their new circumstances. Timing is important here, so don't do this weeks before as that won't be meaningful to them (the exception being pregnancy where they will notice your bump obviously!) If they're moving home or nursery/ preschool, take them to see the new place, and point out some of the features of it they might like. If that's not possible, show them photos and videos online.

2 Let them have some basic involvement in whatever is going on in relevant, age-appropriate ways. So if you're moving house, can they choose something (minor and inexpensive) for their room? If they're changing nursery or school, perhaps a new bag?

3 Keep to their usual routines as much as possible through the change – this stability will help them feel secure, but also sticking to regular eating and sleep times will ensure they don't get grouchy through hunger or tiredness.

4 Give them a little leeway if they 'play up' behaviour-wise – they might be upset by whatever is going on. But don't abandon all rules too much or for too long. Again, those firm boundaries help your child feel secure. And definitely draw the line at any hitting out/ biting at you or others too – it's fine to be upset or angry at some bad event but it's never okay to take it out on other people physically.

5 Don't make assumptions about how your child feels about the change – instead observe how they're reacting and if they're a little older listen to what they say about it. It might be quite different to how you or their sibling would have reacted at their age.

Offer extra cuddles and a little more attention. When there's a lot going on, it can be tricky to spend time with your child but, whenever you can, make sure you find part of the day to give them your undivided attention, to cuddle and chat and help them feel like you're there for them.

7 Look after yourself too – when times are tough it's tempting to focus solely on helping your child but, if you're to be in the best position to do that, you need to take care of you. Don't feel guilty about this; perhaps find someone to look after your little one so you can offload on a friend or family member, or go for a walk to contemplate what's going on.

Help Your Child Cope with Change 101 Ways to Ease Worries and Build Inner Strength

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Broad Street, Earls Barton, NN6 0ND. 0300 126 1000. • Stay & Play: 14:15 - 15:15. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Grange Park Parent and Toddlers Group

Grange Park Community Centre, School Lane, Grange Park, NN4 5FZ. **Times:** 10:00 - 12:00. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £3.50 (drop in). **Dates:** 9 Jan - 27 Mar.

Harlestone Tiny Tots

Harlestone Village Hall, Harlestone, NN7 4EH. 07895 953743. Times: 10:00 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £2 per session (drop in). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Moulton Library

Moulton Community Centre, Reedings, Moulton, NN3 7AX. • Play and Learn for under 5s: 13:00 - 15:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Northampton High School

Newport Pagnell Rd, Hardingstone, NN4 6UU. 01604 765765. • We Can: Explore and Grow!: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £6 per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

St James Community Centre

St James Rd, Northampton, NN5 5LQ. • Stay and Play: 9:30 - 11:15. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £1 suggested. Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar. Session ends with singing or parachute play.

The Toddle Inn, Carey Baptist Church

34 West Street, Moulton, NN3 75B. 01604 491966. • The Toddle Inn: 13:30 - 14:40. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £0.70 per session (*drop in*). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Music Bugs Northampton

Hardingstone, Hardingstone Vilage Hall, High Street, NN4 6DA. 07811 771480. www.musicbugs.co.uk.

- Family Bugs 10:00 10:40 & 13:00 13:40 Ages: 0 5 yrs.
- Mini Bugs: 11:00 11:30. Ages: 6 mths 2 yrs.
- Baby Bugs: 12:00 12:30. Ages: 0 10 mths.
- Mini Bugs: 12:00 12:40. Ages: 6 mths 2 yrs.
- Cost: £6.50 (book). Dates: 9 Jan 6 Feb. & 20 Feb 27 Mar.

Weston Favell Library

Weston Favell Centre, NN3 8JZ. 0300 126 1000. • Story Stomp: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs 11 mths.

Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

SENSORY & DEVELOPMENT

Baby Sensory Northampton

Baby Šensory Centre, Unit 2 - Green Lodge Barn, Nr Nobottle,
 Northampton, NN7 4HD. 07512 469881. www.babysensory.com.
 Baby Sensory (0 - 13mths): 10:00 - 10:55.

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 Baby Sensory (0 6mths): 11:30 12:25.
- Cost: £8.25 per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan 6 Feb.



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MONDAY - TUESDAY

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CREATIVE

Eat Sleep Bake Repeat

36 Summerfields, West Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 9YN. 07985 408289. Eat-sleep-bake-repeat.newzenler.com.

Preschool cookery classes: 10:00 - 10:45. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

After school cookery classes: 16:30 - 17:15, Ages: 4 - 11 yrs. Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb. Cost: £8 per session (book).

DANCE & DRAMA

Oncore Dance Academy

Oncore Studios, Footshape House, Kingsthorpe Rd, Northampton, NN2 6HT. 07971 824 759 or 07894 667 333. www.oncoredanceacademy.co.uk.

• Baby Ballet: 16:15 - 17:00. Ages: 3 - 4 yrs.

• Pre-Primary 1 Ballet: 17:00 - 17:45. Ages: 4 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar. Free trial class. Quote 'Toddle About' when booking.

PHYSICAL FUN

Danes Camp

Clannell Rd, Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 0RX. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

Preschool Gymnastics: 11:15 - 12:00 & 12:15 - 13:00. Ages: 2 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Lings Forum Leisure Centre

Billing Brook Rd, Weston Favell, Northampton, NN3 8JR. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

 Soccer Cubz Football Classes Times: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 1 ½ yrs - 5 yrs. Times: 11:15 - 11:45. Ages: 1 ½ yrs - 5 yrs. Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar. Cost: £4.50 (book).

Northampton Gymnastics Academy

10 North Portway Close, Round Spinney Industrial Estate, NN3 8RQ. northampton ga@icloud.com Explore & Play @NGA: 9:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5

(book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

SWIMMING

Aqualight Swim School

Headlands Primary School, Bushland Rd, NN3 2NS. 01604 830405. www.aqualightbabies.co.uk.

6-12 months: 11:30 - 12:00. Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs. Cost: £11 (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Agualight Swim School

The Beehive, Harborough Rd, Kingsthorpe, NN2 8LR. 01604 830405. www.aqualightbabies.co.uk.

• 6-12 months: 11:30 - 12:00. Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs. Cost: £11 (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

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Northampton County Lawn Tennis Club, 54b Church Way, Weston Favell, Northampton.

lauramineards@yahoo.co.uk

Danes Camp

Clannell Rd, Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 0RX. 01604 837400. Family Friendly Swim: 9:00 - 10:15. Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. Cost: £5

per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Water Babies Bucks & Beds

Charter House Clinic, The Avenue, Flore, Northampton, NN7 4LZ. 01295 709221. www.waterbabies.co.uk. Times: 10:30 - 14:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £18.50 (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 20 Mar.

TUESDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Duston Library

Duston Library, Pendle Rd, Northampton, NN5 6DT, 03001267000. www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk.

Bounce and Rhyme: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Mini Springers

The Life Centre, 9 Tower Street, Northampton, NN1 2SN, 01604 630457. facebook.com.

Times: 9:30 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £1 per session (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Northampton High School

Newport Pagnell Rd, Hardingstone, NN4 6UU. 01604 765765.

• We Can: Dance & Grow: 9:15-10:15. Ages: 2 1/2 yrs - 5 yrs We Can: Prepare & Grow: 13:00-14:00. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost:

£6 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

St Giles Toddle In

St Giles Church Centre, St Giles Terrace, Northampton, NN1 2BN. 01604 628623.

St Giles Toddle In Reset: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Parent and Tots group with crafts, play and singing. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

St Gregory's Toddler Group

St Gregory's Catholic Church, Birchfield Rd East, Abington, Northampton, NN3 2HS. 01604 713015. Times: 9:30 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £0.50 per session (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Stepping Stones

Kairos Centre, Grange Park, Wilks Walk, Northampton, NN4 5DW. Times: 9:15 - 11:15. Ages: 0 - 3 yrs. Cost: £3 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

The Spring Charity

Annex Community Centre, Spring Lane, Northampton, NN1 2JW. 07465231663. www.thespringcharity.org.

Stay and Play: 9:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £1 per session (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb, 21 Feb - 28 Mar





MUSIC & SIGNING

Boogie Beanies

Wootton Community Centre, Curtlee Hill, Wootton, Northampton, NN4 6ED. 07766 731542. www.boogiebeanies.com. Times: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 28 Mar.

Hunsbury Library

Overslade Close, Hunsbury, NN4 0RZ. 01604 702691. • Rhymetime: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Music Bugs Northampton

Hardingstone, Hardingstone Village Hall, High Street, Northampton, NN4 6DA. 07811 771480. www.musicbugs.co.uk.

• Family Bugs: 10:00 - 10:40. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs.

• Baby Bugs: 11:00 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 10 mths.

Cost: £6.50 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb.

Weston Favell Library

Weston Favell Library, Weston Favell Centre, Northampton, NN3 8JZ. 0300 126 1000.

Little Ones Social singing group
 Times: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 2 yrs.
 Times: 11:00 - 12:00. Ages: 0 - 2 yrs.
 Dates: 10 Jan - 24 Jan & 21 Feb - 28 Mar. Cost: Free (drop in).

SENSORY & DEVELOPMENT

Baby Sensory Northampton

Baby Sensory Centre, Unit 2 - Green Lodge Barn, Nr Nobottle, Northampton, NN7 4HD. 07512 469881. www.babysensory.com.

Baby Sensory (0 - 13mths): 10:00 - 10:55.
Baby Sensory (0 - 6mths): 11:30 - 12:25.

Baby development classes inc. signing, massage, music & play Cost: £8.25 (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb.

CREATIVE

Eat Sleep Bake Repeat

36 Summerfields, West Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 9YN. 07985 408289. Eat-sleep-bake-repeat.newzenler.com.

Preschool cookery classes: 10:00 - 10:45 & 11:45 - 12:30
 Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.
 After school cookery classes: 16:30 - 17:15.

Ages: 4 - 11 yrs. Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb. Cost: £8 per session (book).

DANCE & DRAMA Oncore Dance Academy

Footshape House, Kingsthorpe Rd, Northampton, NN2 6HT. 07971 824 759 or 07894 667 333. www.oncoredanceacademy.co.uk.

Baby Ballet: 10:00 - 10:45. Ages: 3 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (book).
Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.
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Dexterity Dance, Gymnastics & Musokan Dojo Great Houghton Hall, High Street, Great Houghton, NN4 7AG. 01604 877577. dexteritydance.com.

- Gymnastics & Circus: 9:30 10:15. Ages: 1 5 yrs. £6 per class
- Home Ed: 10:30 11:15. Ages: 5 11 yrs. Cost: £6 (book).
- Ballet: 16:00 16:30 & 16:30 17:00. Ages: 3 5 yrs. Cost: £3.50
- Street Dance: 16:15 17:00. Ages: 6 12 yrs.

• Contemporary Dance Fusion: 17:00 - 17:45. Ages: 5 - 11 yrs. Cost: £6 (book).

Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Duston Sports Centre

Cotswold Avenue, Duston, NN6 5EX. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

• Rugby Cubz: 13:00 - 13:30 & 13:45 - 14:15. Ages: 1 ½years - 5 yrs. Cost: £4.50 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Lings Forum

Billing Brook Rd, Weston Favell, Northampton, NN3 8JR. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

• Rugby Cubz: 11:15 - 11:45 & 11:45 - 12:15. Ages: 16 mths - 5 yrs. Cost: £4.50 (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Northampton County Lawn Tennis Club

54b Church Way, Weston Favell, Northampton, NN3 3BX. 07766557122.

Tiny Tots Tennis: 10:00 - 10:45. Ages: 2 ½ yrs - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar

Northampton Gymnastics Academy

10 North Portway Close, Round Spinney Industrial Estate, NN3 8RQ. northampton_ga@icloud.com

• Explore & Play @NGA: 10:30 - 12:00 & 13:00 - 14:30 Ages: 0 -

5 yrs. Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

SWIMMING

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

The Bee Hive, Harborough Rd, Kingsthorpe, NN2 8LR. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com.

Times: 9:00 - 12:30. Ages: 0 - 2 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 28 Mar.

WEDNESDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Brixworth Library

Spratton Rd, Brixworth, NN6 9DS. 0300 126 7000. • Rhymetime: 10:00 - 10:30 & 11:00 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. These sessions are aimed at confident walkers

Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Chatterbox

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, 147-155 Kettering Rd, NN1 4BS. 01604 516809. www.mountpleasantchurch.com. **Times:** 9:30 - 11:15. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £1.50 (*drop in*). **Dates:** 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Earls Barton Library

Broad Street, Earls Barton, NN6 0ND. 0300 126 1000. • Play and Learn for Under 5s: 10:30 - 12:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Kislingbury & Upton Community Church

The Elgar Centre, High Street, Upton, NN5 4EN. 07936 436852. • Upton Tots and Babies: 10:00 - 12:00. Ages: Pregnancy - 5 yrs. Cost: £3 (drop in). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Moulton Library

Moulton Community Centre, Reedings, Moulton, NN3 7AX. • Storytime: 10:00 - 10:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.



WEDNESDAY

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Northampton High School

Newport Pagnell Rd, Hardingstone, NN4 6UU. 01604 765765. • We Can: Play & Grow: 9:15-10:15. Ages: 0 yrs - 5 yrs Cost: £6 per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Storehouse Church

Lodge Farm Community Centre, Crestwood Rd, Northampton, NN3 8JJ. 07853 765517. www.storehousechurch.co.uk.

• Tiny Tadpoles: 9:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £2 (drop in). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Strong Start

Kingsthorpe Children's Centre, 31 St David's Rd, NN2 6NS. 07880 136070. www.westnorthants.gov.uk.

• Baby or under 5s event: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

CREATIVE

Eat Sleep Bake Repeat

36 Summerfields, West Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 9YN. 07985 408289. Eat-sleep-bake-repeat.newzenler.com.

• Preschool cookery classes: 10:00 - 10:45 & 13:30 - 14:15. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Cost: £8 (book). Dates: 11 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Music Bugs Northampton

Moulton Community Centre, Sandy Hill Lane, Reedings, Northampton, NN3 7AX. 07811 771480. www.musicbugs.co.uk.

- Family Bugs: 10:00 10:40. Ages: 0 5 yrs. Cost: £6.50 (book).
- Mini Bugs: 11:00 11:30. Ages: 6 mths 2 yrs. Cost: £5.50 (book)
- Baby Bugs: 12:00 12:30. Ages: 0 10 mths. Dates: 11 Jan 8 Feb.

Weston Favell Library

Weston Favell Centre, Northampton, NN3 8JZ. 0300 126 1000. • Rhymetime: 10:00 - 10:30. Ages: 1 yrs - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

SENSORY & DEVELOPMENT

Baby Sensory Northampton

Baby Sensory Centre, Unit 2 - Green Lodge Barn, Nr Nobottle, Northampton, NN7 4HD. 07512 469881. www.babysensory.com.

- Baby Sensory (0 13mths): 10:00 10:55. Cost: £8.25 (book).
- Baby Sensory (0 6mths): 11:30 12:25. Dates: 4 Jan 8 Feb.

Hartbeeps Northamptonshire

Parsons Hall, High Street, Irchester, NN29 7AB. 07775877093. • Happy House: 9:30 - 10:15. Ages: 1 ½ yrs - 5 yrs. Toddler classes suitable for walkers & their siblings • Baby Beeps: 10:30 - 11:15. Ages: 6 mths - 1 ½yrs.

Baby classes suitable from sitting to toddling • Baby Bells : 11:30 - 12:15. Ages: 0 - 6 mths. Baby classes suitable from newborn to sitting Cost: £6.50 (book). Dates: 11 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Tots Play Northampton South

Camp Hill Community Centre, Dayrell Rd, Northampton, NN4 9RR. 07849746277. www.totsplay.co.uk.

• Social Tots: 10:00 - 10:40. For active crawlers & walkers Ages: 8 mths - 2 1/2 yrs.

• **Discovery Tots**: 12:00 - 12:40. For babies from 8 weeks to actively crawling

Ages: 2 - 8 mths. Cost: £7 per session (drop in).

• Baby Development Course: 13:00 - 13:50. For babies from birth to 6 months Ages: 0 - 6 mths. Cost: £10 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 10 Feb & 22 Feb - 31 Mar.

DANCE & DRAMA

Dexterity Dance, Gymnastics & Musokan Dojo

Great Houghton Hall, High Street, Great Houghton, Northampton, NN4 7AG. 01604 877577. dexteritydance.com.

• Street Dance: 16:15 - 17:00. Ages: 6 - 12 yrs. Cost: £6 per session (*book*). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.





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Krystle Jayne's Dance Academy

Grange Park Community Centre, School Lane Grange Park, Northampton, NN4 5FZ. Krystle: 07791 852891. www. krvstleiavnedanceacademv.co.uk.

- Baby Ballet: 16:00 16:30. Baby Ballet: 2 years+ Ages: 2 4 yrs.
- Pre-Primary Ballet & Tap: 16:30 17:15. Ages: 4 5 yrs.
- Cost: £4 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan 8 Feb & 22 Feb 29 Mar

Oncore Dance Academy

Oncore Studios, Footshape House, Kingsthorpe Rd, Northampton, NN2 6HT. 07971 824 759 or 07894 667 333. www. oncoredanceacademy.co.uk.

Groovy Movers (Oncore): 16:15 - 17:00. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs.

• Junior Street Dance: 17:00 - 17:45 & 17:45 - 18:30.

Ages: 4 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb -29 Mar

PHYSICAL FUN

Duston Sports Centre

Cotswold Avenue, Duston, NN6 5EX. 01604 837400. Soft Zone: 9:00 - 10:30. Ages: 0 - 5 vrs. An unstructured play session for parent and child Cost: £4.50 (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Linas Forum Leisure Centre

Billing Brook Rd, Weston Favell, NN3 8JR. 01604 837400. Preschool Gymnastics: 10:00 - 10:45 & 11:00 - 11:45. Ages: 2 - 5 yrs.

Rugby Cubz: 13:00 - 13:30 & 13:45 - 14:15. Ages: 16 mths - 5 yrs. Cost: £4.50 (book).Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Northampton Gymnastics Academy

10 North Portway Close, Round Spinney Industrial Estate, NN3 8RO. northampton ga@icloud.com

• Explore & Play @NGA: 10:00 - 11:30 Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 11 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Tumble Tots Northampton

Grange Park Community Centre, School Lane, Grange Park, Northampton, NN4 5FZ. 07814 884 948. www.tumbletots.com. Tumble Tots Structured Play for little ones

Times: 9:35 - 10:05. Ages: 2 - 3 yrs.

Times: 10:25 - 10:55 & 11:15 - 11:45. Ages: 1 yrs - 2 ½ yrs. Cost: £7.25 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar

SWIMMING

Danes Camp

Clannell Rd, Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 0RX. 01604 837400. Family Friendly Swim: 9:00 - 10:30. Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Upper Mounts

The Mounts, Northampton, NN1 3DN. 01604 837400. Family Friendly Swimming: 14:00 - 15:00. Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

THURSDAY

PARENTS & TOTS

Abbey Centre Baptist Church Baby & Toddler Group

Overslade Close, Hunsbury, NN4 0RZ. 01604 767568. www.abbevcentre.org.uk. Times: 9:30 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 4 vrs. Cost: £2 (drop in). Dates: 12 Jan - 26 Jan, 9 Feb, 23 Feb & 9 Mar - 23 Mar.





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Brixworth Library

Spratton Rd, Brixworth, NN6 9DS. 0300 126 7000. Under Ones Fun: 10:30 - 12:00. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs. Fortnightly Health Visitor Clinic runs alongside this event. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Kislingbury & Upton Community Church

Mill Lane, Kislingbury, NN7 4BB. 07936 436852. www.kucc.co.uk. Kizzle Tots and Babies: 10:00 - 12:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Moulton Library

Moulton Community Centre, Reedings, Moulton, NN3 7AX. Play and Learn for under 1s: 9:30 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

St Matthew's Minis

St Matthew's Church Hall, 27A The Drive, Kingsley, Northampton, NN1 4RY. 01604 791251. www.stmatthews-northampton.org.uk. Times: 9:45 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £1.50 per session (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Strong Start

Blackthorn Children's Centre, Longmead Court, Northampton, NN3 8QD. 07880 136070. www.westnorthants.gov.uk.

Baby or under 5s event: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Sunbeams

Duston United Reformed Church, Main Rd, Duston, NN5 6JF. 07751522303.

Times: 9:30 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £1 per session (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan, 19 Jan, 2 Feb, 16 Feb, 2 Mar, 16 Mar & 30 Mar.

The Spring Charity

Annex Community Centre, Spring Lane, Northampton, NN1 2JW. 07465231663. www.thespringcharity.org.

Stay and Play: 9:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £1 per session (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb, 23 Feb - 30 Mar & 5 Jan - 30 Mar.

THURSDAY

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Toddlers Group

Park Avenue Method¹st Church, Park Avenue North, Northampton, NN3 2HT. 01604 633436. www.parkavenue.org.uk. **Times:** 13:15 - 15:00. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £1 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Music Bugs Northampton

Hardingstone, Hardingstone Village Hall, High Street, Northampton, NN4 6DA.07811 771480. www.musicbugs.co.uk. • Family Bugs: 10:00 - 10:40 & 11:40. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: 66.50 per session (*book*). Dates: 12 Jan - 9 Feb.

Northampton Central Library

Abington Street, Northampton, NN1 2BA. • Bounce and Rhyme: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Weston Favell Library

Weston Favell Centre, Northampton, NN3 8JZ. 0300 126 1000. • Baby Bounce Under 1s: 10:00 - 10:30. Cost: Free (*drop in*). Dates: 5 Jan - 26 Jan, 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb -30 Mar.

SENSORY & DEVELOPMENT

Baby Sensory Northampton

Baby Šensory Centre, Unit 2 - Green Lodge Barn, Nr Nobottle, Northampton, NN7 4HD. 07512 469881. www.babysensory.com.

- Baby Sensory (0 13mths): 10:00 10:55. Ages: 0 13 mnths
- Baby Sensory (0 6mths): 11:30 12:25. Ages: 0 6 mths. Cost: £8.25 per session (book).Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb.

Hartbeeps Northamptonshire

Duston Community Centre, Pendle Rd, Duston, Northampton, NN5 6DT. 07775877093. www.hartbeeps.com. • Happy House: 10:00 - 10:45. Toddler classes suitable for walkers

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• Baby Beeps: 11:00 - 11:45. Baby classes suitable from sitting to toddling Ages: 6 mths - 1 ½ years.

 Baby Bells: 12:00 - 12:45. Baby classes suitable from newborn to sitting Ages: 0 - 6 mths. Cost: £6.50 (book). Dates: 12 Jan - 30 Mar.

Tots Play Northampton South

Camp Hill Community Centre, Dayrell Rd, Northampton, NN4 9RR. 07849746277. www.totsplay.co.uk.

Social Tots: 11:00 - 11:40. Ages: 8 mths - 2 ½ yrs.
 For active crawlers & walkers
 Discovery Tots: 12:00 - 12:40. Ages: 2 - 8 mths.

For babies from 8 weeks to actively crawling **Cost:** £7 per session (*drop in*).

• Baby Development Course: 13:00 - 13:50. Ages: 0 - 6 mths. For babies from birth to 6 months Cost: £10 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 10 Feb & 22 Feb - 31 Mar.

DANCE & DRAMA

Dexterity Dance, Gymnastics & Musokan Dojo Great Houghton Hall, High Street, Great Houghton, Northampton,

NN4 7AG. 01604 877577. dexteritydance.com. • Rhythmic Gymnastics: 16:15 - 17:00. Ages: 3 - 12 yrs.

Cost: £6 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Little Kickers Northampton Daventry & Rugby

Moulton Community Centre, Sandy Hill, Reedings, Moulton, Northampton, NN37AX. 01327 705915. www.littlekickers.co.uk. Little Kickers Pre-school football classes from 18months

Times: 10:45 - 11:30. Ages: 2 ½ yrs - 3 ½ yrs.

Times: 11:10 - 11:55. Ages: 3 ½ yrs - 5 yrs.

- Times: 11:40 12:25. Ages: 3 ½ yrs 5 yrs.
- **Times:** 9:55 10:35. **Ages:** 1 ½years 2 ½ yrs. **Cost:** £7.49 per session (*book*). **Dates:** 5 Jan - 30 Mar.



THURSDAY - FRIDAY







Danes Camp

Clannell Rd, Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 0RX. 01604 837400. Soccer Cubz Football Classes: 13:00 - 13:30 & 13:45 - 14:15. Ages: 1 ½years - 5 yrs. Cost: £4.50 (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Northampton Gymnastics Academy

10 North Portway Close, Round Spinney Industrial Estate, NN3 8RQ. northampton_ga@icloud.com

 Explore & Play @NGA: 10:00 - 11:30 Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Tumble Tots Northampton

Grange Park Community Centre, School Lane, Grange Park, Northampton, NN4 5FZ. 07814 884 948. www.tumbletots.com. Tumble Tots Structured Play for little ones Times: 9:35 - 10:05. Ages: 2 - 3 yrs. Times: 10:25 - 10:55. Ages: 1 yrs - 2 1/2 yrs.

Times: 11:15 - 11:45. Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs 9 mths.

Times: 12:05 - 12:35. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £7.25 (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

SWIMMING

Danes Camp

Clannell Rd, Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 0RX. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

Family Friendly Swim: 9:00 - 10:15. Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book).

Aqualight Swim School

The Beehive, Harborough Rd, Kingsthorpe, Northampton, NN2 8LR. 01604 830405. www.aqualightbabies.co.uk.

Aqualight Swimming 8-12 months: 9:30 - 10:00 & 11:30 -12:00

Baby Swimming 0-4 months: 10:30 - 11:00 & 12:00 - 12:30. Aqualight Swimming 6-12 months: 12:30 - 13:00. Cost: £11 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

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Headlands Primary School, Bushland Rd, Northampton, NN3 2NS. 01604 830405. www.aqualightbabies.co.uk.

Baby Swimming 0-6 months: 13:00 - 13:30

• Aqualight Swimming 6-12 months: 14:30 - 15:00. Cost: £11 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

FRIDAY **PARENTS & TOTS**

Brixworth Library

Spratton Rd, Brixworth, NN6 9DS. 0300 126 7000. Pre-school Play: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Earls Barton Library

Broad Street, Earls Barton, NN6 0ND. 0300 126 1000. www3. northamptonshire.gov.uk.

• Rhymetime: 14:30 - 15:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Moulton Library

Moulton Community Centre, Reedings, Moulton, NN3 7AX. Rhymetime: 14:00 - 14:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Northampton High School

Newport Pagnell Rd, Hardingstone, Northampton, NN4 6UU. 01604 765765. www.northamptonhigh.co.uk.

Dance and Grow!: 9:15 - 10:15. Ages: 2 ½ yrs - 5 yrs. Cost: £6 (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

St Giles Toddle In

St Giles Church Centre, St Giles Terrace, NN1 2BN. 01604 628623. St Giles Toddle In Reset: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

FRIDAY



MUSIC & SIGNING

Hunsbury Library

Overslade Close, Hunsbury, NN4 0RZ, 01604 702691. www.northamptonshire.gov.uk.

Rhymetime: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Music Bugs Northampton

Pineham Barns Primary School, Dragonfly Way, Pineham, Northampton, NN4 9FF, 07811 771480, www.musicbugs.co.uk.

• Family Bugs: 10:00 - 10:40. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs.

Baby Bugs: 11:00 - 11:40. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs.

Cost: £6.50 per session (book). Dates: 13 Jan - 10 Feb.

Northampton Central Library

Abington Street, Northampton, NN1 2BA. Rhymetime: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 1 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

SENSORY & DEVELOPMENT

Baby Sensory Northampton

Baby Sensory Centre, Unit 2 - Green Lodge Barn, Nr Nobottle, Northampton, NN7 4HD. 07512 469881. www.babysensory.com.

- Baby Sensory (0 13mths): 10:00 10:55.
- Baby Sensory (0 6mths): 11:30 12:25.

Cost: £8.25 per session (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb.

Hartbeeps Northamptonshire

Barton Seagrave Village Hall, Bertone Rd, Barton Seagrave, NN15 6WF. 07775877093. www.hartbeeps.com.

- Baby Bells: 12:00 12:45 & 13:00 13:45. Baby classes suitable from newborn to sitting Ages: 0 - 6 mths. Cost: £6.50 (book).
- Happy House: 10:00 10:45 & 14:00 14:45 Toddler classes for walkers Times: Ages: 1 1/2 years - 5 yrs. Cost: £6.50 (book).

Baby Beeps: 11:00 - 11:45. Baby classes suitable from sitting to toddling Ages: 6 mths - 1 1/2 years. Cost: £6.50 (book). Dates: 13 Jan - 24 Mar.



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My Baby Spa

Hardingstone Village Hall, High Street, Hardingstone, Northampton, NN4 6DA. www.mybabyspa.co.uk. My Toddler Spa: 11:00 - 12:00 & 12:30 - 13:30.

A hands on sensory spa for active toddlers Ages: 1 - 4 yrs.

 My Baby Spa: 11:00 - 12:00 & 12:30 - 13:30. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs. An award winning sensory spa for 0-4 year olds Cost: £30 per session (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 24 Mar.

Tots Play Northampton South

Camp Hill Community Centre, Dayrell Rd, Northampton, NN4 9RR. 07849746277. www.totsplay.co.uk.

Social Tots: 10:00 - 10:40. Ages: 8 mths - 2 1/2 yrs. For active crawlers & walkers

Discovery Tots: 11:40 - 12:20. Ages: 2 - 8 mths. For babies from 8 weeks to actively crawling Cost: £7 per session (drop in).

• Baby Development Course: 12:40 - 13:30. Ages: 0 - 6 mths. For babies from birth to 6 months Cost: £10 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 10 Feb & 22 Feb - 31 Mar.

DANCE & DRAMA

Dexterity Dance, Gymnastics & Musokan Doio

Great Houghton Hall, High Street, Great Houghton, Northampton, NN4 7AG. 01604 877577. dexteritydance.com. • Ballet: 16:15 - 17:00. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £6 per session

(book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Krystle Jayne's Dance Academy

Soo Yoga, Sol Central, Mare Fair, Northampton, NN1 1SR. Krystle: 07791 852891. www.krystlejaynedanceacademy.co.uk. Baby Ballet: 16:00 - 16:30. Ages: 2 yrs - 3 yrs 11 mths.

Cost: £4 per session (book). Pre-Primary Ballet & Tap: 16:30 - 17:15. Ages: 4 vrs - 5 vrs

11 mths.

Cost: Free (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.



PHYSICAL FUN

Little Kickers Northampton Daventry & Rugby

Moulton Community Centre, Sandy Hill, Reedings, Moulton, Northampton, NN37AX. 01327 705915. www.littlekickers.co.uk. • Little Kickers Pre-school football classes from 18months Times: 10:45 - 11:30. Ages: 2 ½yrs - 3 ½yrs. Times: 11:40 - 12:25. Ages: 3 ½yrs - 5 yrs. Times: 11:40 - 12:25. Ages: 1 ½yers - 5 yrs. Times: 9:55 - 10:35. Ages: 1 ½yers - 5 ½yrs. Cost: £7:49 per session (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 24 Mar.

Northampton County Lawn Tennis Club

54b Church Way, Weston Favell, NN3 3BX. 07766557122. • Tiny Tots Tennis: 13:30 - 14:15. Ages: 2 ½ yrs - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Northampton Gymnastics Academy

10 North Portway Close , Round Spinney Industrial Estate, NN3 8RQ, northampton_ga@icloud.com

• Explore & Play @NGA: 10:00 - 11:30 Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Duston Sports Centre

Cotswold Avenue, Duston, NN6 5EX. 01604 837400.

Preschool Gymnastic: 9:30 - 10:15 & 10:30 - 11:15. Ages: 2 - 5 yrs.
 Soccer Cubz: 13:00 - 13:30 & 13:45 - 14:15. Ages: 1 ½ years - 5 yrs.

Cost: £4.50 (book). **Dates:** 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Tumble Tots Northampton

Duston Community Centre, Pendle Rd, Duston, Northampton, NNS 6DT. 07814 884 948. www.tumbletots.com. • Tumble Tots Structured Play for little ones Times: 935 - 10:05. Ages: 6 mths - 4 yrs 11 mths. Times: 10:25 - 10:55. Ages: 6 mths - 2 yrs 5 mths. Times: 11:15 - 11:45. Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs 9 mths. Cost: £7.25 (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

SWIMMING

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

The Bee Hive, Harborough Rd, Kingsthorpe, NN2 8LR. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com. Times: 9:00 - 12:30. Ages: 0 - 2 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 24 Mar.

Upper Mounts

The Mounts, Northampton, NN1 3DN. 01604 837400. www. trilogyleisure.co.uk.

• Family Friendly Swimming: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. Starts your tots journey in the water Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

SATURDAY

DANCE & DRAMA

Dexterity Dance, Gymnastics & Musokan Dojo

Great Houghton Hall, High Street, Great Houghton, Northampton, NN4 7AG. 01604 877577. dexteritydance.com.

• Rhythmic Gymnastics: 14:30 - 15:30. Ages: 3 - 12 yrs. Cost: £6 (book).

• Jazz Under 10's: 9:30 - 10:00 & 10:00 - 10:45. Ages: 5 - 10 yrs. Cost: £3.50 (book).

• Acrobatics: 10:00 - 10:45 & 13:00 - 14:00 Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Cost: £6.50 (book).

• Ballet: 9:00 - 9:30 & 11:00 - 11:45. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3.50 (book).

• Street Dance: 11:45 - 12:30. Ages: 6 - 12 yrs. Cost: £6 (book).

Contemporary Dance Fusion: 13:00 - 14:30.

Ages: 5 - 11 yrs. Cost: £12 per session (book).

Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

Oncore Dance Academy

Oncore Studios, Footshape House, Kingsthorpe Rd, Northampton, NN2 6HT. 07971 824 759 or 07894 667 333. www.oncoredanceacademy.co.uk.

- Tip Tap Toe Beginners Tap: 10:30 11:15. Ages: 4 5 yrs.
- Baby Ballet: 9:00 9:45. Ages: 3 4 yrs.

• Pre-Primary 1 Ballet: 9:45 - 10:30. Ages: 4 - 5 yrs.

Cost: Free trial class (quote toddleabout). Dates: 7 Jan - 25 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Rugbytots Banbury, Towcester & Northampton

Caroline Chisholm School, Wooldale Rd, Northampton, NN4 6TP. 0345 313 0286. www.rugbytots.co.uk. Times: 8:00 - 9:00. Ages: 2 yrs - 3 ½ yrs. Times: 10:45 - 11:30. Ages: 5 - 7 yrs. Times: 9:05 - 9:50 & 9:55 - 10:40. Ages: 3 ½ yrs - 5 yrs. Cost: £7:50 (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

SWIMMING

Aqualight Swim School

The Beehive, Harborough Rd, Kingsthorpe, Northampton, NN2 8LR. 01604 830405. www.aqualightbabies.co.uk.

• Aqualight Swimming 8-12 months: 8:30 - 9:00 & 10:30 - 11:00.

Ages: 8 mths - 1 yrs.

• Baby Swimming 0-4 months: 9:30 - 10:00 & 11:00 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 4 mths.

Aqualight Swimming 6-12 months: 12:00 - 12:30.
 Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs.
 Cost: £11 per session (book).
 Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

Upper Mounts

The Mounts, Northampton, NN1 3DN. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

Family Friendly Swimming: 14:30 - 15:30 & 16:00 - 17:00.
 Starts your tots journey in the water
 Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb &
 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

PREGNANCY

Nova Serene Birthing - Hypnobirthing & Relaxation

Parklands Community Centre, Devon Way, Northampton, NN3 6DX. 07572 891 476. www.novaserenebirthing.co.uk. • Community Support Relaxation Session: 13:00 - 14:00.

Community Support Relaxation Session for mums-to-be. Ages: Pregnancy. Cost: £3 per session (book). Dates: 21 Jan.

SUNDAY

SENSORY & DEVELOPMENT

Kidslingo Spanish Northants, Towcester & Olney

Caroline Chisholm School, Wooldale Rd, Northampton, NN4 6TP. 07722536338. www.kidslingo.co.uk.

Kidslingo Fun Spanish Class
 Times: 9:00 - 9:30. Ages: 1 ½years - 4 yrs 11 mths. Cost: £4 (book).
 Times: 9:40 - 10:10. Ages: 4 - 7 yrs.

• Kidslingo Full immersion fun Spanish class: 10:20 - 10:50. Ages: 4 - 7 yrs.

Kidslingo Fun Spanish Class: 11:05 - 11:45.

Ages: 7 - 11 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book).

Dates: 8 Jan - 12 Feb & 26 Feb - 26 Mar.



SUNDAY

PHYSICAL FUN

Little Kickers Northampton Daventry & Rugby

Duston School, Berrywood Rd, Duston, Northampton, NN5 6XA. 01327 705915. www.littlekickers.co.uk. • Little Kickers Pre-school football classes

Times: 8:30 - 9:15. Ages: 2 ½ yrs - 3 ½ yrs.

Times: 10:20 - 11:05 & 11:15 - 12:00. Ages: 2 ½ yrs - 3 ½ yrs.

Times: 8:30 - 9:15, 9:25 - 10:10 & 11:15 - 12:00. Ages: 3 1/2 yrs - 5 yrs.

Times: 9:25 - 10:10 & 10:20 - 11:05. Ages: 5 - 7 yrs.

Times: 11:15 - 12:00. & 12:10 - 12:55 Ages: 5 - 7 yrs.

Times: 8:30 - 9:10, 9:30 - 10:10 & 10:20 - 11:00. **Áges:** 1 ½ years - 2 ½ yrs.

Cost: £7.49 per session (book).

SWIMMING

Danes Camp

Clannell Rd, Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 0RX. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

• Family Friendly Swim: 8:00 - 10:00.

Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £5 per session (*book*). **Dates:** 8 Jan - 12 Feb & 26 Feb - 26 Mar.

Upper Mounts

The Mounts, Northampton, NN1 3DN. 01604 837400. www.trilogyleisure.co.uk.

• Family Friendly Swimming: 10:30 - 11:30, 12:00 - 13:00, 13:30 - 14:30 & 15:00 - 16:00. Ages: 0 - 8 yrs. Starts your tots journey in the water

Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 8 Jan - 12 Feb & 26 Feb - 26 Mar.

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

The Bee Hive, Harborough Rd, Kingsthorpe, NN2 8LR. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com. **Times:** 9:00 - 4:30. **Ages:** 0 - 2 yrs. **Cost:** £13 per session (book). **Dates:** 15 Jan - 26 Mar.

OTHER

The Baby Fayre

The Baby Fayre Northampton, Benham Sports Centre, Kings Park Rd, Northampton, NN3 6LL. 07403 257815. www.thebabyfayre. co.uk.

• The Baby Fayre - Northampton: 10:00 - 14:00. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 19 Feb.



MONDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Strong Start

Towcester Children's Centre, Towcester Community Centre, Islington Rd, Towcester, NN12 6AU. 07880 136070. www. westnorthants.gov.uk.

Strong Start baby or under 5s event: 10:00 - 11:00.
 Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27
 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Towcester Library

Towcester Library, The Forum, Moat Lane, Towcester, NN12 6AD. • Bounce & Rhyme: 11:00 - 11:30. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

SWIMMING

Brackley Leisure Centre

Brackley Pool, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. www.leisurecentre.com.

• Parent and Child Swim: 9:30 - 14:50. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3.90 per session (*book*). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www.leisurecentre.com.

- Swimming Lessons: 9:00 11:00 & 16:00 18:30.
- 30-minute swimming lessons for children. Ages: 3 5 yrs. Cost: £8
 Parent and Toddler Swimming: 13:00 15:30. Ages: 0 4 yrs. Cost: £4 (drop in). Dates: 9 Jan 6 Feb & 20 Feb 27 Mar.

TUESDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Litchborough Play Time Group

Litchborough Village Hall, Northampton Rd, Litchborough, NN12 8JA. 01327 830364. **Times:** 9:30 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £2 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Little Fishes Playtime

Baptist Church, Waynflete Close, Brackley, NN13 6AE. www.brackleybaptist.org.uk. Times: 9:15 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £2 per session (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 28 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Brackley Library

Brackley Library, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6AJ. 01280 703455. www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk.

• Rhymetime: 10:00 - 10:30 & 11:00 - 11:30.

Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (*drop in*). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

DANCE & DRAMA

Krystle Jayne's Dance Academy

St. Marys Church Hall, Butlins Lane, Roade, NN7 2PU. Krystle: 07791 852891. www.krystlejaynedanceacademy.co.uk.

- Baby Ballet: 15:45 16:15. Ages: 2 yrs 4yrs. Cost: £4 (book).
- Pre-Primary Ballet & Tap: 16:15 17:00. Ages: 4 yrs 7yrs
- Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 10 Jan 7 Feb & 21 Feb 28 Mar.



PHYSICAL FUN

Brackley Leisure Centre

Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. www.leisurecentre. com.

• Gym Tots: 13:45 - 14:45. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Gym sessions for parents with young children. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

MamaBabyBliss South Northamptonshire

Rde House Yoga Studio, 16 High Street, Rde, Northampton, NN7 2NW. 07779 646649. www.mamababybliss.com. Baby Yoga (Foundation) 5 Week Course: 11:30 - 12:30. Baby Yoga (Foundation) Baby Massage 5 Week Course: 13:30 - 14:30.

Baby Massage Cost: £55 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 21 Mar.

Tumble Tots Northampton

Roade Village Hall, Bailey Brooks lane, Roade, NN7 2LS. 07814 884 948. www.tumbletots.com.

• Tumble Tots Structured Play for little ones Times: 9:35 - 10:05. Ages: 2 - 5 yrs. Times: 10:25 - 10:55. Ages: 1 yrs - 2 ½ yrs. Cost: £7.25 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

SWIMMING

Brackley Leisure Centre

Brackley Pool, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. www. leisurecentre.com.

• Parent and Child Swim: 12:00 - 15:45.

Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3.90 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Brackley Leisure Centre, Springfield Way, Candleford Cl, Brackley, NN13 6JJ. 01280 701787. www.leisurecentre.com.

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Towcester Leisure Centre, Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www.leisurecentre.com.

• Swimming Lessons: 16:00 - 18:30.

30-minute swimming lessons for children.

Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £8 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

• Parent and Toddler Swimming: 13:00 - 15:30.

Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £4 per session (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb, 21 Feb - 28 Mar, 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

WEDNESDAY

PARENTS & TOTS

Tots @ TVC

Tove Valley Centre, Northampton Rd, Towcester, NN12 7AH. Jane: 07713034845.

Times: 9:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £2 per session (*drop in*). Dates: 4 Jan - 11 Jan & 25 Jan - 29 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Roade Library

High Street, Rde, Northampton, NN7 2NW. 0300 1261000. www.northamptonshire.gov.uk.

• Rhymetime: 11:00 - 11:30.

Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free *(book)*. **Dates:** 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

Sing and Sign Banbury, Bicester, Brackley & Buckingham

Evenley - Evenley Village Hall, The Green, Evenley, NN135SQ. 07771550335. www.singandsign.co.uk. • Stage 2: 9:45 - 10:30.

An engaging music class for toddlers 14 months+ Ages: 1 yrs 2 mths - 2 ½yrs. • Stage 1: 10:45 - 11:30. An engaging music class for babies 6-14 months

Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs 2 mths. • Babes: 11:45 - 12:30. A gentle music and sensory class for babies from birth Ages: 0 - 6 mths. Cert: 69 nor sersion (haple)

Cost: £8 per session (book). Dates: 11 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 22 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Brackley Leisure Centre

Springfield Way, Candleford Cl, Brackley, NN13 6JJ. 01280 701787. www.leisurecentre.com.

Gym Tots: 9:30 - 10:30 & 13:45 - 14:45.
 Gym sessions for parents with young children.
 Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

MamaBabyBliss South Northamptonshire

Roade House Yoga Studio, 16 High Street, Roade, Northampton, NN7 2NW. 07779 646649. www.mamababybliss.com.

• Pregnancy Yoga (Stretch and Relax) Wednesdays: 18:00 - 19:00.

Pregnancy Yoga (Stretch and Relax) Ages: Pregnancy. Cost: £12 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 29 Mar. • Baby Yoga (Advanced) 5 Week Course: 11:30 - 12:30. Baby Yoga (Advanced)

Cost: £55 per session (book). Dates: 11 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 22 Mar.

• Starting Solids Workshop: 11:30 - 13:30. Starting Solids Workshop Cost: £26 per session (book). Dates: 15 Feb & 29 Mar.

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Towcester Leisure Centre, Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www.leisurecentre.com. • Soft Play: 9:00 - 11:00.

Drop in soft play sessions for parents and their little ones Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3.50 per session (drop in).

• Gymtots: 12:30 - 13:15 & 13:15 - 14:00.

Gymnastics classes Ages: 1 ½years - 4 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book).

SEND ACTIVITIES

SENsational EDucational Kitchen (SEN-ED Kitchen)

SEN-ED Kitchen, 9 Orion Drive, Brackley, NN13 6GE. 07857 635053. senedkitchen.co.uk.

• SENsory Kitchen Session: 9:00 - 10:00.

Sensory Focused Activities for kids (SEN- Friendly) Ages: 1 ½years - 12 yrs. Cost: £8.50 per session (book).

Dates: 11 Jan - 29 Mar.

SWIMMING

Brackley Leisure Centre

Brackley Pool, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. www.leisurecentre.com.

• Parent and Child Swim: 12:00 - 15:30.

Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £3.90 per session *(book)*. **Dates:** 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.



WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Towcester Leisure Centre, Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www.leisurecentre.com.

Swimming Lessons: 10:00 - 12:00 & 16:00 - 18:30.
 30-minute swimming lessons for children.
 Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £8 per session (book).
 Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

THURSDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Denton Village Tots

Denton Village Hall, Vicarage Lane, Denton, NN7 1DT. **Times:** 9:30 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £2.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Tove Benefice, St Bartholomew's Church

Church View, Greens Norton, NN12 8DL. 01327 350459. www. tovebenefice.org.uk.

 Tots Own Tea and Toast: 9:00 - 10:30. Our parent and child group for under 5's Ages: Pregnancy - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

St Lawrence Church

Moat Lane, Towcester, NN12 6YY. 01327 350459. www. tovebenefice.org.uk.

• Little Sprouts : 9:30 - 11:00. Parent and child aroup for under 5's

Ages: Pregnancy - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Sing and Sign - Towcester & Daventry

Pattishall Parish Hall, 44 School Rd, Astcote, Towcester, NN12 8NN. 07506257073. www.singandsign.co.uk.

• Babes Classes - up to 6 months: 10:00 - 10:30. Supporting your baby's communication from the early days Ages: 1 - 6 mths. Cost: £5.50 per session (book).

Sing and Sign Babies - (6-14 month): 13:30 - 14:15.
 Signing Baby class - develop communication pre-speech
 Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs 2 mths. Cost: £7:50 per session (book).
 Dates: 12 Jan - 2 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Towcester Library

Towcester Library, The Forum, Moat Lane, Towcester, NN12 6AD. 0300 126 1000. www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk.

• Rhymetime: 10:00 - 10:30 & 11:00 - 11:30.

Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

SWIMMING

Brackley Leisure Centre

Brackley Pool, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. www. leisurecentre.com.

Parent and Child Swim: 12:00 - 13:00 & 14:30 - 15:30.
 Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3:90 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www. leisurecentre.com.

• Swimming Lessons: 16:00 - 18:30. 30-minute swimming lessons for children. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £8 per session (book).

• Parent and Toddler Swimming: 9:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £4 per session (drop in).

Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Lost: ±4 per session (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

FRIDAY CREATIVE

Silverstone Methodist Tiggers Playgroup

Silverstone Methodist Chapel, Murswell Lane, Silverstone, NN12 8UT. www.facebook.com.

• Methodist Tiggers Playgroup: 9:15 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £2 per session (*drop in*). Dates: 6 Jan - 24 Mar.

SWIMMING

Brackley Leisure Centre

Brackley Pool, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. www. leisurecentre.com.

Parent and Child Swim: 13:00 - 14:00.
 Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3:90 per session (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www. leisurecentre.com.

• Swimming Lessons: 9:00 - 11:00 & 16:00 - 18:30. 30-minute swimming lessons for children. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £8 per session (book).

Parent and Toddler Swimming: 13:00 - 15:30.
 Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £4 per session (drop in).

Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

SATURDAY MUSIC & SIGNING

Sing and Sign - Towcester & Daventry

Pattishall Parish Hall, 44 School Rd, Astcote, Towcester, NN12 8NN. 07506257073. www.singandsign.co.uk.

Sing and Sign Toddlers - 12-30 months: 10:00 - 10:45.
 Signing Toddler class - develop communication pre-speech
 Ages: 1 yrs 2 mths - 2 ½ yrs. Cost: £7:50 per session (book). Dates:
 7 Jan - 28 Jan & 18 Feb - 25 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Brackley Leisure Centre

Springfield Way, Candleford Cl, Brackley, NN13 6JJ. 01280 701787. www.leisurecentre.com.

• Gym Tots: 12:15 - 13:15. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Gym sessions for parents with young children. Cost: £5 (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

Little Kickers MK

Elizabeth Woodville School, Stratford Rde, Roade, Northampton, NN7 2LP. 01494 911133. www.littlekickers.co.uk.

- Junior Kickers: 9:10 9:55. Ages: 2 1/2 yrs 3 1/2 yrs.
- Little Kicks: 10:00 10:45. Ages: 1 ½years 2 ½ yrs.
- Mighty Kickers: 10:50 11:35. Ages: 3 ½ yrs 5 yrs.
- Dates: 7 Jan 4 Feb & 18 Feb 25 Mar. Cost: £7.85 (book).

Rugbytots Banbury, Towcester & Northampton

Gateway School, St Johns Rd, Tiffield, Towcester, NN12 8AA. 0345 313 0286. www.rugbytots.co.uk.

- Times: 8:40 9:10. Ages: 2 yrs 3 ½ yrs.
- Rugbytots 3.5 5 year olds: 9:15 10:00.
- Rugbytots 5 7 years: 10:05 10:50.
 Rugbytots 2- 3.5 year olds: 10:55 11:25.

Cost: £7.50 per session (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb.

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www. leisurecentre.com.

• Soft Play: 12:30 - 14:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Drop in soft play sessions for parents and their little ones Cost: £3.50 per session (drop in).

Search activities online at www.toddleabout.co.uk





PREGNANCY

MamaBabyBliss South Northamptonshire Roade House Yoga Studio, 16 High Street, Roade, NN7 2NW. 07779 646649. www.mamababybliss.com.

- PregnancyBliss Stretch & Relax (Pregnancy Yoga): 9:15 -
- 10:15. Ages: Pregnancy. Cost: £12 (book). Dates: 7 Jan 25 Mar.

SEND ACTIVITIES

SENsational EDucational Kitchen (SEN-ED Kitchen)

SEN-ED Kitchen, 9 Orion Drive, Brackley, NN13 6GE. 07857 635053. senedkitchen.co.uk.

Special Educational Needs (SEN) Baking Sessions: 9:00 -10.00

Special Educational Needs (SEN) Bakina Sessions Ages: 2 - 12 yrs. Cost: £10 per session (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 25 Mar.

SWIMMING

Brackley Leisure Centre

Brackley Pool, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. Parent and Child Swim: 11:30 - 13:30.

Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3.90 per session (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www. leisurecentre.com.

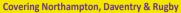
• Flume and Waves: 12:00 - 13:30 & 15:00 - 16:30. Cost: £4 per session (drop in).

 Swimming Lessons: 8:00 - 11:15. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. 30-minute swimming lessons for children. Cost: £8 (book). Parent and Toddler Swimming: 13:30 - 14:30.

Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £4 per session (drop in). Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.



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SUNDAY PHYSICAL FUN

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MamaBabyBliss South Northamptonshire

Rde House Yoga Studio, 16 High Street, Rde, Northampton, NN7 2NW. 07779 646649. www.mamababybliss.com.

Daddy and Baby Massage: 11:00 - 12:00. Ages: 1 - 8 mths. Dates: 29 Jan. 12 Feb & 5 Mar.

Daddy and Baby Yoga: 11:00 - 12:00. Ages: 3 - 9 mths. Dates: 12 Feb & 19 Mar.

Grandparent(s) and Baby Massage: 11:00 - 12:00. Ages: 1 - 7 mths. Dates: 26 Feb. Cost: £15 per session (book).

Rugbytots Banbury, Towcester & Northampton

Gateway School, St Johns Rd, Tiffield, Towcester, NN12 8AA. 0345 313 0286. www.rugbytots.co.uk.

Times: 8:40 - 9:10. Ages: 2 yrs - 3 ½ yrs.

- Rugbytots 3.5 5 year olds: 9:15 10:00.
- Rugbytots 5 7 years: 10:05 10:50.

Rugbytots 2- 3.5 year olds: 10:55 - 11:25.

Cost: £7.50 (book). Dates: 26 Feb - 26 Mar.

SWIMMING

Brackley Leisure Centre

Brackley Pool, Manor Rd, Brackley, NN13 6EE. 01280 701787. www. leisurecentre.com.

Parent and Child Swim: 12:30 - 15:30.

Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £3.90 (book). Dates: 8 Jan - 12 Feb & 26 Feb - 26 Mar.

MONDAY - TUESDAY

Mama Baby Bliss &

Pregnancy Yoga, Baby Massage, Baby Yoga, Postnatal Yoga, Toddler-Led Toileting, Tummy Time & Starting Solids Workshops The Roade House Yoga Studio, Roade, NN7 2NW

Book at www.theroadehouse.co.uk

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Book at bookwhen.com/mbbsouthnorthamptonshire

Contact Hayley on 07779 646649

Towcester Centre for Leisure

Springfields, Towcester, NN12 6UW. 01327 322480. www.leisurecentre.com.

Flume and Waves: 10:30 - 12:00 & 13:30 - 15:00. Cost: £4 per session (drop in).

 Swimming Lessons: 8:00 - 10:00. 30-minute swimming lessons for children. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £8 per session (book).

• Parent and Toddler Swimming: 12:00 - 13:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £4 per session (drop in).

DAVENTRY AREA

MONDAY **PARENTS & TOTS**

Humpty Dumpty's

Woodford Halse Memorial Hall, Station Rd, Woodford Halse, NN11 3RB. 07463 932953. www.facebook.com.

Humpty Dumpty's Baby & Toddler Group: 9:30 - 11:30. Ages: Pregnancy - 5 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Boogie Beanies

Daventry Community, Centre Ashby Rd, Daventry, NN11 9QD. 07766 731542. www.boogiebeanies.com. Times: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan - 27 Mar

SENSORY & DEVELOPMENT

Baby Sensory Rugby, Daventry & Lutterworth

Welton Village Hall, High Street, Welton, Daventry, NN11 2JP. 07849777705. www.babysensory.com. 12:45 - 1:45. Ages: 0 - 13 mnths

Multi-Sensory learning and development classes • 9:45 - 10:45. Ages: 5 mths - 13 mnths

 11:15 - 12:15. Ages: 0 - 6 mths. Cost: £8 (book).Dates: 9 Jan - 13 Feb & 27 Feb - 20 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Little Kickers Northampton Daventry &

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Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 705915. www.littlekickers.co.uk.

 Little Kicks: 9:20 - 10:00. Ages: 1 ½years - 2 ½ yrs. Pre-school football classes from 18months

- Junior Kickers: 10:10 10:55. Ages: 2 ½ yrs 3 ½ yrs.
- Mighty Kickers: 11:05 11:50. Ages: 3 ½ yrs 5 yrs.

Cost: £7.49 per session (book). Dates: 9 Jan & 9 Jan - 27 Mar.

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www. everyoneactive.com.

• Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00. Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in).

SWIMMING

Dates: 8 Jan - 26 Mar.

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP, 01327 871144. www.evervoneactive.com.

 Preschool Swimming Lessons: 10:15 - 17:30. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs.

- Adult and Child Swimming Lessons: 10:30 11:00 & 11:00 -
- 11:30. Ages: 1 yrs 7 mths 3 yrs.
- Adult and Child Swimming Lessons: 10:30 11:00 & 11:30 -12:00. Ages: 4 mths - 1 ½years.

Cost: £6.72 (book).Dates: 9 Jan - 6 Feb & 20 Feb - 27 Mar.

JJ Swim School

Station Works, Station Rd, Long Buckby, NN6 7PF.

- 2 Years +: 9:30 10:00. Ages: 2 3 vrs.
- 1 year +: 10:00 10:30. Ages: 1 2 yrs.
- 3 months +: 10:30 11:00. Ages: 3 mths 1 yrs.
- Pre-School: 9:30 10:00, 10:00 10:30 & 10:30 11:00.
- Ages: 3 5 yrs. Dates: 9 Jan 27 Mar.

Turtle Tots South East Midlands and Rugby

Mercure Daventry Court Hotel, Sedgemoor Way, Daventry, NN11 0SG. 07972772922. www.turtletots.com. Turtle Tots 30 min sessions Times: 10:00 - 12:30. Ages: 3 mths - 1 yrs 4 mths.

Times: 10:00 - 12:27. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Dates: 9 Jan - 13 Feb & 27 Feb - 20 Mar. Cost: £13 (book).

TUESDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Holy Cross Church Baby and Toddler Group 12 Abbey Court, Daventry, Nn11 4bp. 07369214054.

 Holy Cross Baby and Toddler Group: 9:00 - 10:30. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 28 Mar.

Home-Start Daventry and South Northants

Eastern Way Playing Field, (the field by the iCon), Daventry, NN11 0PR. 01327 353139. homestartinwestnorthamptonshire.org.uk. Outdoor Fitness and Fun for Under 5s: 10:00 - 11:30

Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Long Buckby Little Rascals

Long Buckby Baptist Church, Market Place, Long Buckby, NN6 7RR. 01327 842587. www.longbuckbybaptist.org.uk. Times: 9:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

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Strong Start

Daventry Children's Centre, Staverton Rd, Daventry, NN11 4EY. 07880 136070. www.westnorthants.gov.uk.

• Baby or under 5s event: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Daventry Library

The Abbey Centre, St John's Square, Daventry, NN11 4XG. 0300 126 7000.

• **Rhymetime**: 10:00 - 10:30. **Ages:** 1 - 4 yrs.

• Bounce and Rhyme: 10:45 - 11:15. Ages: 0 - 1 yrs. Cost: Free (*drop in*). Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

Sing and Sign - Towcester & Daventry

Cedar Grove Clinic, Daventry, 18 High March, High March Industrial Estate, Daventry, Nn11 4HB. 07506257073. www.singandsign.co.uk.

Sing and Sign Babies - 6-14 months: 10:15 - 11:00.
 Communication for little ones before they can talk
 Ages: 6 mths - 1 yrs 2 mths. Cost: £7:50 per session (book).
 Babes Classes - up to 6 months: 11:40 - 12:10.

Supporting your baby's communication from the early days Ages: 1 - 6 mths. Cost: £5.50 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 31 Jan & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Little Kickers Northampton Daventry & Rugby

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 705915. www.littlekickers.co.uk.

Little Kickers: 16:00 - 17:00. After-school football classes
 Ages: 5 - 7 yrs. Cost: £6.25 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan & 10
 Jan - 28 Mar.

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP.01327 871144. www. everyoneactive.com.

• Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00. Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in).

SWIMMING

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Preschool Swimming Lessons: 10:00 - 11:00.

Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. • Adult and Child Swimming Lessons: 11:00 - 11:30.

Addit and Child Swimming Lessons: 11:00 - 11:30.
 Ages: 1 yrs 7 mths - 3 yrs.
 Cost: £6.72 (book).Dates: 10 Jan - 7 Feb & 21 Feb - 28 Mar.

JJ Swim School

JJ Swim School, Station Works, Station Rd, Long Buckby, NN6 7PF.

• 2 Years +: 10:00 - 10:30. Ages: 2 - 3 yrs.

• Pre-School: 10:00 - 10:30. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs.

Dates: 10 Jan - 28 Mar.

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

Hunters Shields, The Avenue, Flore, NN7 4LZ. 01604 372747. www. turtletots.com.

Times: 10:00 - 13:15. Ages: 3 mths - 4 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book). Dates: 10 Jan - 28 Mar.

WEDNESDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Toddler Time

Daventry Methodist Church, Golding Close (off Eastern Way), Daventry, NN11 5FB. 01327 843319. www.daventrymethodist.org. **Times:** 9:30 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 3 yrs. **Cost:** £1.80 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.





PHYSICAL FUN

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00.

Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in).

SWIMMING

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com.

Family Swimming: 10:00 - 10:50, 11:00 - 11:50 & 12:00 - 12:50.
 Sessions for everyone, bring along your own fun toys!
 Ages: 0 - 16 yrs. Cost: £3.75 (book).

• Stage 1 Swimming Lessons: 15:45 - 17:45. Ages: 4 - 6 yrs. Cost: £7.24 (book).

• Preschool Swimming Lessons: 15:30 - 16:45. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. Cost: £6.72 (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 8 Feb & 22 Feb - 29 Mar.

JJ Swim School

JJ Swim School, Station Works, Station Rd, Long Buckby, NN6 7PF.

- Pre-School Times: 9:30 10:00 & 10:30 11:00. Ages: 3 5 yrs.
- 1 year +: 10:30 11:00. Ages: 1 2 yrs.

• 3 months +: 9:30 - 10:00. Ages: 3 mths - 1 yrs. Dates: 11 Jan - 29 Mar.

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

Hunters Shields, The Avenue, Flore, NN7 4LZ. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com. Times: 10:00 - 14:00. Ages: 3 mths - 4 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (*book*). Dates: 4 Jan - 29 Mar.

Turtle Tots South East Midlands and Rugby

Staverton Park Hotel, Daventry Rd, Daventry, NN11 6JT. 07972772922. www.turtletots.com. • Turtle Tots 30 min sessions Times: 11:00 - 12:00. Ages: 3 mths - 1 yrs 4 mths. Times: 11:00 - 12:00. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book). Dates: 4 Jan - 15 Feb & 1 Mar - 22 Mar.

THURSDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Byfield Baby and Toddler Group

Byfield village hall, The green, Byfield, Daventry, NN116UT. **Times**: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages**: Pregnancy - 4 yrs. **Cost**: £2.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates**: 5 Jan - 9 Feb, 23 Feb - 30 Mar, 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

Home-Start Daventry and South Northants

Rawlings Close Play Park, (Fishponds), Daventry, NN11 4UL. 01327 353139. homestartinwestnorthamptonshire.org.uk.

Outdoor Fitness and Fun for Under 5s: 10:00 - 11:30.
Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb
- 30 Mar.

Welton Baby & Toddler Group

Welton Village Hall, Welton, Daventry, NN11 2JP. 07551949482. **Times:** 9:30 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £2 per session (*book*). **Dates:** 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

MUSIC & SIGNING

Boogie Beanies

Daventry Town Football Club, Browns Rd, Daventry, NN11 4NS. 07766 731542. www.boogiebeanies.com. Times: 10:00 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 30 Mar.



Buckby Library & Hub

Buckby Library & Hub, Station Rd, Long Buckby, NN6 7QB. 01604 368274. buckbylibraryhub.org.

Stories and Rhymes: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 1 - 5 yrs.
 Cost: £1 per session (*drop in*). Dates: 5 Jan, 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23
 Feb - 30 Mar.

Daventry Library

The Abbey Centre, St John's Square, Daventry, NN11 4XG. 0300 126 7000.

• Preschool Play: 14:00 - 15:15. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00.

Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in).

SWIMMING

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00. Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in). • Preschool Swimming Lessons: 7:00 - 10:00, 8:00 - 11:45 &

11:30 - 17:30. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. • Adult and Child Swimming Lessons: 12:00 - 12:30.

Adult and Child Swimming Lessons: 12:00 - 12:
Ages: 1 yrs 7 mths - 3 yrs.

Adult and Child Swimming Lessons (4 - 18 months): 11:00 11:30. Ages: 4 mths - 1 ½years.

Cost: £6.72 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 9 Feb & 23 Feb - 30 Mar.

JJ Swim School

THURSDAY - FRIDAY

JJ Swim School, Station Works, Station Rd, Long Buckby, NN6 7PF.

- 2 Years +: 10:00 10:30. Ages: 2 3 yrs.
- 1 year +: 10:30 11:00. Ages: 1 2 yrs.
- 3 months +: 9:30 10:00. Ages: 3 mths 1 yrs. Dates: 12 Jan - 30 Mar.

• Pre-School: 9:30 - 10:00, 10:00 - 10:30 & 10:30 - 11:00. Ages: 3 - 5 yrs.

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

Hunters Shields, The Avenue, Flore, NN7 4LZ. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com. Times: 9:30 - 13:00. Ages: 3 mths - 4 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book). Dates: 5 Jan - 30 Mar.

Turtle Tots South East Midlands and Rugby

Mercure Daventry Court Hotel, Sedgemoor Way, Daventry, NN11 0SG. 07972772922. www.turtletots.com. • Turtle Tots 30 min sessions Times: 10:00 - 12:30. Ages: 3 mths - 1 yrs 4 mths. Times: 10:00 - 12:30. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book).

Dates: 5 Jan - 16 Feb & 2 Mar - 23 Mar.

FRIDAY PARENTS & TOTS

Buckby Library & Hub

Station Rd, Long Buckby, NN6 7QB. 01604 368274. buckbylibraryhub.org.

• Stay and Play: 15:15 - 16:15. Every Friday of term time. 2.15pm-3.00pm (Free) Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 10 Jan - 28 Mar.

Stay & Play

Long Buckby Community Centre, 41 Station Rd, Long Buckby, NN6 7Q8. Times: 9:30 - 11:30. Ages: Pregnancy - 5 yrs. Cost: £1 per session (drop in). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Timken Tots

Mayfield Park Sports Club, Royal Star Drive, Timken, Daventry, NN11 9FZ. www.facebook.com. Times: 10:00 - 12:00. Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: £1.50 per session (drop in). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Welford Babes and Tots

Welford Community Centre, West Street Playing Fields, Welford, NN6. 07895896967.

• Welford Babes & Tots: 9:30 - 11:00. Ages: 0 - 5 yrs. Cost: £2 per session (*drop in*). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

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Times: 10:45 - 11:15. **Ages:** 1 - 5 yrs.

Dates: 6 Jan - 24 Mar. Cost: £1 per session (drop in). • Stay and Play: 11:30 - 12:15.

Very Friday of term time. 2.15pm-3.00pm (Free) Ages: 0 - 4 yrs. Cost: Free (drop in). Dates: 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

PHYSICAL FUN

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00.

Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in).



SWIMMING

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Stage 1 Swimming Lessons: 15:45 - 17:45. Ages: 4 - 6 yrs. Cost: £7.24 per session (book). • Preschool Swimming Lessons: 16:15 - 16:45.

Ages: 3 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £6.72 per session (*book*). **Dates:** 6 Jan - 10 Feb & 24 Feb - 24 Mar.

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

Hunters Shields, The Avenue, Flore, NN7 4LZ. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com.

Times: 9:30 - 13:30. Ages: 3 mths - 4 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book). Dates: 6 Jan - 24 Mar.

SATURDAY DANCE & DRAMA

Krystle Jayne's Dance Academy

Brixworth Community Centre, Spratton Rd, Brixworth, NN6 9DS. Krystle: 07791 852891. www.krystlejaynedanceacademy.co.uk. Baby Ballet: 9:30 - 10:00.

Ages: 2 yrs - 3 yrs 11 mths. Cost: £4 per session (book). • Pre-Primary Ballet & Tap: 10:00 - 10:45. Ages: 4 - 5 yrs. Cost: £5 per session (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

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Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00.

Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in).

SWIMMING

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Family Swimming: 12:30 - 13:20. Sessions for everyone, bring along your own fun toys! Ages: 0 - 16 yrs. Cost: £3.75 per session (book). • Stage 1 Swimming Lessons: 8:30 - 12:00 & 8:30 - 11:30. Ages: 4 - 6 yrs. Cost: £7.24 per session (book). • Adult and Child Swimming Lessons: 8:30 - 9:00 & 10:30 -11:00.

Ages: 1 yrs 7 mths - 3 yrs. **Cost:** £6.72 per session (*book*). **Dates:** 7 Jan - 11 Feb & 25 Feb - 25 Mar.

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Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

Hunters Shields, The Avenue, Flore, NN7 4LZ. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com. **Times:** 9:00 - 15:15. **Ages:** 3 mths - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £13 per session (*book*). **Dates:** 7 Jan - 25 Mar.

Turtle Tots South East Midlands and Rugby

Staverton Park Hotel, Daventry Rd, Daventry, NN11 6JT. 07972772922. www.turtletots.com. • Turtle Tots 30 min sessions Times: 11:00 - 13:00. Ages: 3 mths - 1 yrs 4 mths. Times: 11:00 - 13:00. Ages: 2 - 4 yrs. Cost: 613 per session (book). Dates: 7 Jan - 18 Feb & 4 Mar - 25 Mar.

SUNDAY PHYSICAL FUN

Everyone Active Daventry Leisure Centre

Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry, NN11 4FP. 01327 871144. www.everyoneactive.com. • Indoor Soft Play: 9:00 - 17:00.

Ages: 2 - 8 yrs. Cost: £2.50 per session (drop in).

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• Family Swimming: 11:30 - 12:20. Sessions for everyone, bring along your own fun toys! Ages: 0 - 16 yrs. Cost: £3.75 per session (book).

Adult and Child Swimming Lessons (4 - 18 months): 8:30 9:00.

Ages: 4 mths - 1 ½ years. **Cost:** £6.72 per session (*book*). **Dates:** 8 Jan - 12 Feb & 26 Feb - 26 Mar.

Turtle Tots Northamptonshire, Milton Keynes & Bedford

Hunters Shields, The Avenue, Flore, NN7 4LZ. 01604 372747. www.turtletots.com.

Times: 9:00 - 11:45. Ages: 3 mths - 4 yrs. Cost: £13 per session (book). Dates: 8 Jan - 26 Mar.

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