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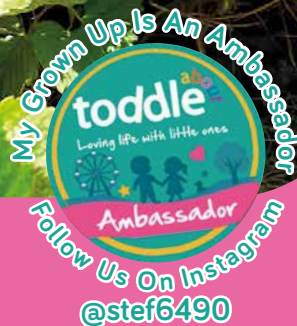
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# WELCOME

## SUMMER EDITION!



Summer has officially arrived, and honestly, we could not be more ready for it. Longer evenings, family days out, camping adventures, park trips and hopefully a little sunshine too. Like many of you reading this, Emily and I are looking forward to spending some **proper quality family time** over the summer holidays and making the most of the slower pace that this time of year can sometimes bring.

One thing we always love during summer is **discovering new places to explore locally**, and we're especially looking forward to some family camping weekends and outdoor adventures over the coming weeks. Inside this issue, we've packed the magazine full of ideas and inspiration. From local events and trusted recommendations to **discounts, offers** and our hugely popular **Daily Activity Planner**, there's plenty to explore throughout the holidays.

We're excited to bring **Toddle About LIVE!** back for our 2nd year on **12th Sept near Basingstoke**. It is going to be a fun-filled family event designed especially for parents, carers, babies, toddlers and young children. Think of it as the **Toddle About magazine** brought to life, giving families the chance to discover amazing local businesses, activities, classes, attractions and **services all under one roof**.

Whether you're looking for your **child's next favourite class**, planning **family days out**, exploring schools and nurseries, or simply searching for things to do locally, **Toddle About LIVE!** is the perfect place to find inspiration and connect with businesses that support family life.

Alongside the fantastic exhibitors, there will be plenty of entertainment, activities, demonstrations, taster sessions, shopping opportunities and **family fun throughout the day**.

It's a chance for children to play, explore and have fun while parents discover what's available right on their doorstep.

*So what are you waiting for .... Enjoy the summer!*

*Bill & Emily*

Book your **FREE Toddle About LIVE!** ticket at [www.toddle.fun/LIVE](http://www.toddle.fun/LIVE)

## MEET THE TEAM



Bill & Emily - Owner/Editors



Tim & Ruth - Franchisors

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## Make Your Child's Development More Fun!

Rugbytots sessions combine sport, imagination and energetic play to create a fun-filled experience for young children. Through exciting games and structured activities, little ones learn key skills including catching, passing, kicking, teamwork and confidence building, all with the support of engaging coaches every step of the way. With a simple motto of "make it more fun", Rugbytots delivers age-specific classes packed with energy, enthusiasm and plenty of smiles for both children and parents alike.

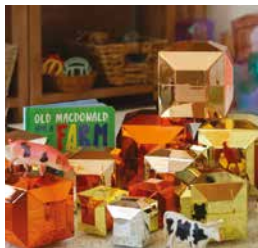
Visit [www.rugbytots.co.uk](http://www.rugbytots.co.uk) for more info See P.37



## Gallop Into an Unforgettable Bank Holiday Weekend

Join Wellington Horse Trials and Country Fair this August Bank Holiday weekend for award-winning family entertainment, countryside fun and world-class equestrian sport. Set within the stunning Wellington Estate, enjoy thrilling dressage, showjumping and cross-country action alongside circus performers, giant games, tractor rides, live acoustic music and popular family dog shows. Whether you're a horse lover or simply looking for a fantastic family day out, there's something for everyone to enjoy in the summer sunshine.

For more information, and to book your tickets, visit [www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk](http://www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk)



## Bringing Early Years Learning to Life on the Farm

A brand-new nursery is coming to Bucklebury Farm, offering a warm and homely environment for children aged 6 months to 5 years. Set within the beautiful surroundings of Bucklebury Farm, children will enjoy daily access to the farm, creating opportunities for hands-on learning, outdoor exploration and meaningful connections with animals and nature. With a strong focus on emotional wellbeing, care and development, the nursery aims to help every child grow, explore and thrive.

Visit [www.buckleburyfarmnursery.co.uk](http://www.buckleburyfarmnursery.co.uk) for more info. See P.16 and P.24

## More Choices, More Flexibility, More Freedom

Emma, a mum of three and multiple business owner, is passionate about helping other mums create an income that works around family life. She supports women looking to contribute financially, save for important goals or build something of their own, all with flexibility and community at the heart of it. With no targets or pressure, the opportunity offers a supportive environment designed to fit around busy family schedules.

Scan the QR code to find out more. See P.17



## A Fantastic Business Opportunity for Drama Lovers

Drama Tots Basingstoke is looking for a new franchisee to take over its established and award-winning territory. With weekly classes already running across community venues, schools and nurseries, this is a fantastic opportunity to step into a much-loved local business with an existing customer base. Full training, resources and ongoing support are provided, giving the new owner everything needed to confidently grow and continue the business journey.

For more information please contact [kate@dramatots.co.uk](mailto:kate@dramatots.co.uk)





## History & Play at Shaw House

Exciting new family-friendly improvements are coming to Shaw House this summer, including a brand-new inclusive playground inspired by the site's historic architecture.

At the heart of the space will be a 'Great Hall' play structure designed to encourage imaginative play while celebrating Shaw House's rich history. The playground will also feature sensory panels, accessible equipment and balance trails to support children of all abilities. Visitors can also enjoy enhanced food options, beautiful gardens and more exciting updates across the historic site.

[www.westberkshireheritage.org](http://www.westberkshireheritage.org)

## Why Role Play Matters More Than Ever

As a qualified teacher, founder of Pop Up Play Village and home-educating parent, Becky has spent years witnessing the incredible benefits of role play. From helping shy children find their voice to supporting emotional wellbeing and building confidence, imaginative play can have a powerful impact on child development.

Inspired by her experiences both professionally and at home, Becky has written *Playing It Out: The Power of Role Play for Children's Mental Health*, exploring how role play can support children's mental health, learning and emotional growth.

To download your copy, visit [www.popupplayvillage-powerofroleplay.subscribepage.io](http://www.popupplayvillage-powerofroleplay.subscribepage.io) See P.11



## Tiny Town Cakes Arrive at Rocket Propelled Games

Exciting things are happening in Newbury as Tiny Town Café and Rocket Propelled Games team up in a delicious new collaboration. Families and visitors can now enjoy Tiny Town's much-loved cakes and sweet treats inside Rocket Propelled Games, bringing together great coffee, gaming and tasty homemade bakes all under one roof. Perfect for parents, gamers and cake lovers alike, this exciting partnership is well worth a visit.

Why not visit both Tiny Town Café and Rocket Propelled Games in Newbury. See P.19 and P.36



## Exciting Opportunity with Tots Play

Celebrating 11 years of supporting local families, Michelle is looking for the next owner of Tots Play Basingstoke & Hook. This established and much-loved business offers a loyal customer base, trusted venues, strong community relationships and full support from the Tots Play franchise network. It is an ideal opportunity for someone seeking a flexible and rewarding business that makes a real difference to families with young children.

For more information, contact Michelle by email [michelle@totsplay.co.uk](mailto:michelle@totsplay.co.uk) or WhatsApp 07843479359. See P.32



## The Truth About Childcare Costs

Childcare in England has long been called one of the most expensive in Europe. But the picture has changed: working parents of children from nine months old can now access 30 funded hours per term week, with Tax-Free Childcare on top. A three-day nursery bill of nearly £1,200 can drop to under £400. Catherine at Milk & Money explains what's available, who actually qualifies (it's more people than you'd think), and how to make sense of the rules for your family.

Visit [www.milkandmoney.co.uk](http://www.milkandmoney.co.uk) for more info See P.11



# TODDLE MODELS

Winner



Adaline, 7 months old

## Baby and Toddler Photo Competition Winner

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

Congratulations to little Adaline who has won a **Compact Folding 'Be Fun' Balance Bike**, worth £99!

We received so many gorgeous entries - we hope you enjoy looking through them as much as we have and that this gives all our entrants a lovely keepsake.



Find out more: [www.befunwheels.com](http://www.befunwheels.com)



Adriel & Ariella, 4 & 2 years



Aurora & Keeley, 23 months



Avyansh, 3 years 7 months



Azaria, 2.5 years



Bonnie, 1 year 9 months



Carter, 6 years



Chester, 1 year 7 months



Clara, 3 years



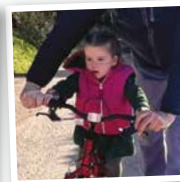
Daisy, 2 years 11 months



Eva, 2 years 9 months



Felicity, 7 months



Flora, 24 months



Grace, 1 year



Hallie, 10 months



Hope & Sydney, 2 & 3 years



Ida, 2 years 11 months



Isaac, 13 months



Jude, 4 years



Louis, 3 years



Maisie, 3 years 9 months



Maisie, 11 months



Oakley, 8 months



Oscar, 2 years



Reggie, 3 years



Robin, 3 years 3 months



Ronald, 2 years



Rory, 3 years 6 months



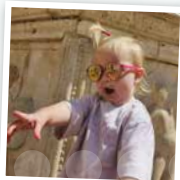
Rosalie, 26 months



Sienna & Zenaya, 1 & 3 years



Sophia, 6 months



Summer, 1 year 8 months



Tallis, 13 months



Taylan, 3 years



Teddy, 3 years



Willow, 17 months

COMPETITION

# TODDLE MODELS

## WIN A PERSONALISED SUMMER BUNDLE FROM MY 1<sup>ST</sup> YEARS

Get ready for sunshine, smiles, and unforgettable 1sts with this cute summer giveaway.

TWO lucky little explorers (one boy and one girl) will win a personalised summer bundle of goodies, made for every magical adventure - from their 1st family holiday to seaside paddles, park picnics, ice cream dates, and their very 1st day out in the sunshine.

The lucky winner will receive a *personalised backpack*, *summer gift set*, *passport holder set*, *super soft robe*, *hooded towel*, and *bunny companion*. Whether they're travelling abroad or enjoying adventures closer to home, this bundle is perfect for every little explorer.

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**HOW TO ENTER:**

Send us a photo of your little one having fun or enjoying some summer sunshine!

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Enter by Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Sept 2026.



ENTER AT:  
[www.toddle.fun/toddlemodels](http://www.toddle.fun/toddlemodels)

# Summer Fun

SUMMER FAMILY EVENTS IN N. HANTS & W. BERKS FOR LITTLE ONES

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## LET'S GO TO THE SEASIDE

Proteus Creation Space. various times

Join Pip and her Dad for a magical seaside adventure packed with puppetry, storytelling, music and sensory play. Perfect for little explorers aged 2–8 who love interactive theatre and imaginative family fun this summer.

Council Rd, Basingstoke RG21 3DH  
[www.ticketsource.com/proteus-theatre/lets-go-to-the-seaside/e-xpzgvj](http://www.ticketsource.com/proteus-theatre/lets-go-to-the-seaside/e-xpzgvj)

Prices: £13.48 (£12.50 plus booking fee), under 1s free



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## NATURE TOTS: SEASIDE

Nature Discovery Centre Thatcham,  
10am - 11:30 am

Enjoy a fun seaside-themed Nature Tots session with outdoor exploring, wildlife activities and sensory play. Perfect for curious little ones aged 18 months–4 years to learn, play and discover together.

Muddy Lane, Thatcham RG19 3FU

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-seaside-nature-discovery-centre-saturday-1-august-tickets-1988548084852](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-seaside-nature-discovery-centre-saturday-1-august-tickets-1988548084852)

Prices: £8.92 (£8 plus booking fee), accompanying adult free

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## DINO TAKEOVER

Wellington Country Park, 9:30 am -  
5:30pm

Step into a prehistoric adventure this summer with life-sized dinosaurs, live shows, ranger training and hands-on fossil digging. Perfect for little dino fans who love exploring, learning and getting up close to roaring Jurassic giants.

Odiham Road, Riseley, RG7 1SP

[www.wellingtoncountrypark.co.uk/whats-on/dino-takeover/](http://www.wellingtoncountrypark.co.uk/whats-on/dino-takeover/)

Prices from £21.65, Under 1s free

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## ENCHANTED

Guildhall Winchester, 2:30pm - 4pm

Step into a magical candlelit concert filled with favourite princess songs from Frozen, Moana, Tangled and more. A wonderful family experience introducing children to the joy of live music and singing.

Winchester, SO23 9GH

[www.boxoffice.xperancelive.co.uk/events](http://www.boxoffice.xperancelive.co.uk/events)

Prices from £24.50



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## KIDSFEST

Thatcham Broadway, From 10am

Free  
Event

Get ready to splash, explore, and discover! KidsFest Thatcham returns for 2026 with an under-the-sea-themed day filled with family fun before the school term begins. Organised by Thatcham Town Council, this beloved community event brings everyone together for a day of ocean-inspired entertainment and activities across the town centre.

Thatcham, RG19 3HP

[www.thatchamtowncouncil.gov.uk/event/kidsfest-thatcham-3](http://www.thatchamtowncouncil.gov.uk/event/kidsfest-thatcham-3)

Free.

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## WELLINGTON HORSE TRIALS

Wellington Estate, 9am - 6pm

Dog  
Friendly

Enjoy an unforgettable family day out at Wellington International Horse Trials & Country Fair with pony displays, circus fun, giant games, shopping, live music and plenty of space for little ones to explore and burn off energy.

Highfield Farm, Heckfield, RG27 0LJ

[www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk/](http://www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk/)

Prices from £20, under 11s free.

## SUMMER RECIPE:

# CHICKEN AND CHEESE MUFFINS

These savoury muffins are a brilliant way of using up left-over chicken from your Sunday roast. They are so easy to make and are perfect for snacks, lunchboxes or picnics for growing little ones.

### Ingredients:

2 medium eggs	100g cooked chicken
150ml milk	1 carrot, finely grated
75g melted butter	½ tsp oregano
170g grated cheddar cheese	250g self-raising flour

**Makes:** 12 Muffins

Written by  
Ciara  
Attwell

### Method:

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C Fan and line a 12-hole muffin tin with silicone muffin cases.
2. Add the eggs, milk and butter to a large bowl and whisk.
3. Add the grated cheese, cooked chicken and grated carrot and mix with a spoon.
4. Finally, add the oregano and flour and mix just enough so that the ingredients are well combined.
5. Divide the mixture between the 12 muffin cases and bake in the oven for 25 minutes.
6. Allow the muffins to cool for a few minutes in the cases before removing.

*These muffins will keep in the fridge for up to 2 days and they can also be frozen, just defrost at room temperature for a couple of hours.*

Recipe courtesy of **Ciara Attwell**, founder of **My Fussy Eater**. You can find over 500 family-friendly recipes like this in the **My Fussy Eater** app - packed with meal plans, shopping lists and inspiration to make feeding your family easier than ever. Find out more at [www.myfussyeater.com](http://www.myfussyeater.com).



# Summer, Summer time

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## SUMMERTIME SPOTTER

CAN YOU FIND ALL THESE THINGS IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS?



## CHEEKY CHARLIE HUNT!

WE'VE HIDDEN CHARLIE, TODDLE ABOUT'S CHEEKY MASCOT, THROUGHOUT THE MAGAZINE!  
CAN YOU COUNT HOW MANY TIMES HE APPEARS?



Ladybird



Bird



Cloud



Flower



Feather



Nest



Rock



Spiderweb



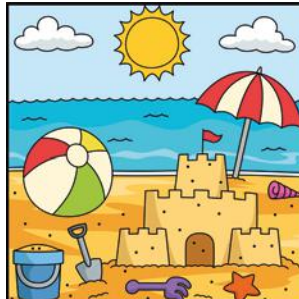
Water



Bumblebee

## SANDY SEARCH

CAN YOU SPOT THE 10 DIFFERENCES?



ANSWERS ON P.39

### THE KNOWLEDGE GAP

For years, English childcare has been one of the most expensive in Europe and at full price, that hasn't changed. However, since September 2025, working parents of children from nine months old can now access 30 funded hours per term week, with Tax-Free Childcare contributing up to 20% savings on top. A nursery bill of nearly £1,200 a month for three days can drop to under £400 once both kick in. Child Benefit thresholds have recently increased too. I find too many parents are missing out on these key schemes through lack of knowledge.



### THE ASSUMPTION GAP

From those who have heard of funded hours and Tax-Free Childcare, many incorrectly assume they don't qualify. The minimum earnings threshold is around 16 hours a week at minimum wage (~£881 a month). Newly self-employed parents don't need to earn anything at all in their first 12 months. And for higher earners, pension contributions can bring adjusted net income back under £100,000 which restores eligibility entirely. Misunderstandings like this can cost thousands in higher childcare bills, or lost earnings by delaying returning to work.

### WHERE MILK & MONEY CAN HELP

I help families in England close all three gaps: through free calculators and resources, premium tools for more complex situations, and consultations when you want to talk it through with someone who'll do the maths with you.

### THE CLARITY GAP

Even with the right information, the rules interact in complex ways and every family is different: the age of your child(ren), the specific childcare costs and how your employment and pension interact. The most financially optimal option isn't always the one you want. Time with (or without!) your children while they're little matters too. So does career progression and pension building against the right work/life balance after transitioning to becoming a parent. There's rarely one right answer, only the one that's right for your family.



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# THE PATH TO PASSION



**YOUR PASSIONS MAKE YOU A BETTER MUM.  
HERE'S HOW TO FIND THEM AGAIN.**

I know the feeling well. The sense that wanting something for yourself – time, space, an interest that has nothing to do with anyone else's needs – somehow makes you a lesser parent. I felt it too, and it's the reason I started Passion Collective in 2014 when I was navigating new motherhood, a demanding career and wondering how on earth other people managed to keep doing the things they loved. Were they just better at this thing called life?

They weren't. They'd simply stopped waiting for permission.

## THE TRUTH ABOUT "MUM GUILT"

The "Mum Guilt" that rears its ugly head whenever we think about – let alone spend time with – our own passions is a sign that we care. That love is rarely something we want to leave behind. However, the guilt is telling us that we've bought into a story that isn't necessarily true; that a good mother always puts herself last, and wanting more is something to be ashamed of.

The research tells a different story. When we engage consistently with what we love (what academics call "harmonious passions"), we're less stressed, more present, and more patient.

## BECOME A PROUD DABBLER

The main barrier we all have is time. We are running through our days, and the thought of dedicating a few hours to anything beyond the day-to-day can feel totally out of reach.

This is where "dabbling" comes in – and bear with me, because it gets an unfair reputation!

We tend to think of dabbling as half-hearted, uncommitted, what you faff around with before

you find your "real" passion. But in my book, *Born to Buzz*, I make the case for being a Proud Dabbler: someone who explores with curiosity and without the pressure to excel or turn a hobby into a million-pound side hustle.

Dabbling is how most people actually find what lights them up. It means we don't have to wait for that thunderbolt moment of clarity; we can try a series of small, low-stakes experiments that gradually point us toward our passions.

## AN EASY WAY TO START

First, promise yourself you'll allow one hour this weekend to dabble. If you need to, get your spouse to cover, or even book a babysitter for an hour!

Then, start with one thing that makes you even slightly curious. Try it without expectation. If it sparks something, stay with it. If it doesn't, note what you'll do next.

Now, here's the most important step. If you're comfortable, share your dabbling with a friend. Let's say you've got back into knitting, and for that hour, you knitted half a scarf. It may be unfinished, and perhaps imperfect. Do not let that stop you – share your "dabbling" with someone close to you who'll support you. Tell them what you've done – something like "Ta-da! Look what I've done!" – and see how that feels. Remember that their reaction doesn't matter (although they'll probably be amazed at your progress). Instead, you're proudly embracing your "dabbling".

Above all, even on those long days, remember that you haven't lost yourself in parenthood. You've just been last on your own list for a while. Dabbling is how you find your way back.



*Laura Best is a keynote speaker, coach and bestselling author of **Born to Buzz: How to Spark Your Passions (Without Quitting It All)**. She founded Passion Collective in 2014 to help people rediscover what it means to truly love their lives again. She's also both a mum and stepmum, and can be found at [www.passioncollective.co](http://www.passioncollective.co)*



# toddling about

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## SPOTLIGHT ON... THE POSTBOX SPORTS BAR



We've asked local blogger **Mama Around Town**, to share some of her favourite adventures and activities to try with little ones.

You would think that The Postbox Sports bar is for adults only but I can honestly say, it's a great place to take a family. They are an interactive sports bar perfect for catching up with friends, date night or family meet-ups. They host a range of fun games including traditional and interactive darts, shuffleboard, pool, ping pong and at the Basingstoke location, an immersive sports simulator.

We had a well-needed date night at Newbury and have to say it was the perfect location to switch our brains off from parenting and remembering how much fun we have together as a couple. We've also been to Basingstoke for Sunday Funday with our 5 and 2 year old and have had a brilliant time for both.

Whether you're there to catch your favourite sports game, have a drink and a bite or play one of their brilliant games. Keep an eye out for kids half term offers and kids Sunday brunches. You won't want to miss out!



**INFO:** **Opening Times:** Open 7 days a week.  
**Place:** 42 Cheap Street, Newbury RG14 5BX and 5-7 London St, Basingstoke RG21 7AB  
[www.thepostboxsportsbar.co.uk](http://www.thepostboxsportsbar.co.uk)

*Mama Around Town* through her socials shares her adventures with her children and days out in and around Hampshire and Berkshire. Discover her world at [@mamaaroundtown](https://www.instagram.com/mamaaroundtown)



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2. Tie two sticks together in a cross shape using the colourful string - this is your base.
3. Cut four pieces of string, then thread beads and jingle bells onto each string – as long as you like.
4. Tie these beaded strings onto the sticks, hanging them at different lengths for a fun, varied look.
5. Decorate your wind chime with stickers - flowers, sparkles - whatever you like, let your imagination run wild!
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*Craft supplied by our very own Bethan Hill, Franchise Owner of Toddle About West Northants and South Warwickshire.*



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I'm Melanie, a Norland Nanny and sleep consultant. I've supported hundreds of families through sleep challenges, and I can tell you with certainty: every single thing I do is for your child and your family. Not for a metric. Not to keep you tapping on a screen.

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# The Reality of WORK-LIFE BALANCE

by Tessa Day



## Lessons from founder and new mummy Tessa Day, who runs not one, but two businesses

Running a business is often described as a balancing act. Add motherhood into the mix and suddenly that balancing act can feel more like spinning lots of plates at once, hoping none of them fall. As the founder of two businesses and a first-time mum, I've learned that the idea of "work-life balance" is often far from reality - and that's okay.

Becoming a mum was something I had always dreamed about. Working within the children's activities industry meant I spent years supporting families and children's classes across the UK. Through Club Hub UK, I help families discover children's activities, classes and events, while also helping activity providers grow and gain visibility. I loved helping parents discover opportunities for their children, but I also longed to experience that world myself one day - taking my own child along to the very classes I spent so much time promoting and supporting. At times it felt emotional personally too, especially as I struggled with PCOS and our journey to parenthood took longer than we had hoped.

When I finally became a mum, I realised I still deeply loved my work and wanted to continue growing my businesses too. That brought a whole new wave of guilt I wasn't expecting.

I remember going back to work when my baby was just six weeks old to run my long-standing musical theatre kids club, Tessa's Jazz Hands. It wasn't a full-time return to work - it was two hours

on a Thursday! - and when I resumed my Club Hub work, most of it happened during nap times, in the evenings, or in small pockets of time throughout the day.

I quickly realised that working didn't make me any less grateful to be a mum. Continuing to build something I was passionate about helped me still feel like myself during a period where so much of my identity was changing.

One of the biggest lessons I've learned is that balance constantly changes. Some weeks work takes priority, especially in the run up to the Club Hub event. Other weeks family comes first because sleep deprivation or teething have taken over the house. Instead of striving for perfection, I've learned to focus on flexibility.

What keeps me grounded is remembering why I started my businesses in the first place: to create freedom, flexibility, and a better future for my family. Becoming a mum hasn't taken away my ambition - if anything, it's given me even more motivation. I want to create memories, go on more holidays together, build financial security and, hopefully one day, be mortgage free.

I've realised it's okay to love being a mum while still wanting to grow, achieve, and build a successful business alongside it. If you have the passion and motivation for something, becoming a mum doesn't mean your ambitions have to stop - it can simply give them even more purpose.



*Tessa Day is the founder of Club Hub UK, helping families discover children's activities, classes, and events across the UK while supporting activity providers and small businesses to grow.*  
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★★★★★ Written by Caroline O'Gorman, Toddle About Subscriber

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I hadn't appreciated how wonderful owning this Memory Bunny would be for our child, not just for us as parents. Our son loves hearing the stories about the clothes it wears, why they are important to us and where they came from.

Our son used to wear a shirt his dad wore when he was little, and now the Memory Bunny wears it too! He is not a five-and-a-half-year-old who usually cuddles teddies, but this one has come everywhere; he has a name and even a mini bed! I think it's the memories and stories associated with a time he can't

remember which mean so much to him and evoke special memories for all of us.

At first, it was hard to think about meaningful clothes being turned into something else, but it is so much better they are made into a tactile Memory Bunny than left in a drawer. It has been beautifully sewn, with the best parts thoughtfully showcased.

Our only dilemma now is whether to let it become well-cuddled and well-worn, or leave it on a top shelf as a keepsake. I think it will have to be the former!

*Review has been edited.*



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# A GROWTH MINDSET IN ACTION

## 10 Ways To Help Your Young Child Foster & Apply a Growth Mindset

by Louise Treherne



You might have heard many times of the term 'Growth Mindset', coined by the psychologist Dr. Carol Dweck. We know it can have a huge impact on how we see ourselves, the world around us and our capability to be successful. But how on earth do we instil this mindset in our toddlers? And what does a growth mindset in action actually look like?

Let's start by looking at the opposite. A child with a fixed mindset, is a child who believes that their capability is fixed; either they can or can't and they will often shy away from taking risks where the outcome might prove the point that they can't. Tasks are approached with the goal of looking smart, mistakes and hard work simply pull their abilities into question.

### WHAT'S THE LONG-TERM IMPACT OF ADOPTING A GROWTH MINDSET?

Fostering a growth mindset in your child takes work but the gains are endless. You're literally setting your child up for success by helping them understand their potential to grow and develop. Our view of ourselves determines everything; how we think, feel and behave. If your child sees themselves as someone capable of growth, they are much more likely to try new things, take risks, accept mistakes and learn from setbacks rather than take them personally.

*So how do we do it?*

### 10 SIMPLE WAYS TO FOSTER A GROWTH MINDSET...

**1** **Praise the process not the outcome:** If your child only ever hears you praise the success of the outcome, they learn that is the only thing that matters. Instead, look to praise the specific skills they showed or mindset they applied. It might sound like: *"Wow, you completed the puzzle! What really made me smile was how you kept trying different pieces when they didn't work! It was frustrating, but you kept trying!"*.

**2** **Build the narrative that 'challenge' is good:** Very early on, children often learn that being challenged and doing something 'hard' is a negative thing. We can easily change this narrative. Think about how they hear you talk about challenge and find opportunities to say, "This is tricky - this is exciting!" or "I haven't tried this before, learning new things is fun!". We know young children watch and learn from how we respond, so let them see you relish the opportunity to stretch yourself rather than be fearful.

**3** **Remind them of their progress:** Children quickly forget the progress they've made and how far they've come. By reminding them that when they started, they couldn't yet do the activity but now they have mastered it, it helps them to understand that 'can't' doesn't mean forever. This might sound like: *"Remember when you first tried putting your coat on yourself? It was tricky and you couldn't do it... now look. You've been practising and now you can!"*

**4 Model your own growth mindset in action:** The easiest way to show your child a growth mindset in action is to narrate your own inner thoughts. This is beneficial not just for them but also makes us more mindful of the way we speak to ourselves! Let them hear self-compassion and reflection rather than negative self talk. This might sound like: *"I'm getting this wrong, that's ok it's something new to me". Or "I need to give myself a chance to learn how to do this".*

**5 Learn to laugh at yourself:** Learning to laugh at yourself and not taking things too seriously can have a positive impact on your mindset and is a very underrated skill. Teaching our children to put things into perspective and modelling how we can laugh at ourselves when we mess up or make mistakes, means they are much more likely to have a grounded sense of self. This might seem a small thing now, but if they've developed this skill early on, they may be more ready to shrug off a setback or laugh off a misdemeanour as they grow up.

**6 Explore the unfamiliar & uncomfortable:** Young children love familiarity and predictability. It brings them comfort and confidence. It's also important to find opportunities to try new things and a great way to do this is as a family. Pick an activity that might be new for you all and let your little one see you struggle. It could be climbing, tennis, trampolining... anything goes, but the important thing is they see you getting comfortable with being outside of your comfort zone and being challenged.

**7 Model making mistakes:** Being accepting of making mistakes rather than crumbling at them is another mark of a growth mindset. You can help your child become more accepting of their own mistakes by modelling this to them. Find opportunities such as when you're cooking and the recipe goes wrong, or while you're drawing or making a birthday card you could misspell a word and show them your reaction. Rather than throw the

cake away or scrunch up the card, say out loud "Oops I got that bit wrong, that's ok I'm learning as I go!". If we want young children to have a positive response to making mistakes, we have to let them see those around them make them and react positively too.

**8 Look for the back story:** Children are often in awe of those around them who appear to be able to do things they can't. Whether it's their peers or famous people, they often focus on the success and fail to see the back story. What an opportunity while they're young, to help them get curious about what's behind the success! This could be simply saying out loud, "I wonder how they got so good at that?" or "I bet that took lots of hard work".

**9 Show me the hard part:** Ever heard your little one say, *"It's too tricky! I can't do it!"*? A simple way of helping a young child develop resilience and a growth mindset is helping them get really specific about which part of a task is challenging. When your little one says they want to give up, try saying "Show me the hard part". This encourages them to identify the particular part they're struggling with and helps them see often, it's just one small part of a task rather than the entire thing. Whether it's a Lego brick that won't attach or a sleeve that's inside out, 'show me the hard part' helps them see that the problem is often surmountable.

**10 I can't YET:** You've probably heard of the power of the word YET. I can't tie my shoe laces... yet. I can't ride my bike without stabilisers... YET. Why not make a 'YET' wall in your kitchen and get the whole family to write on a post-it note something they can't do YET. I'll never forget the impact it had on my boys when I learnt to drive in my late 30s. If you can choose an activity to write on your post-it note that other people your age typically might be able to do (but you can't yet), it's a really powerful thing to model. And of course as you practise and learn, you might all be able to move your post-it notes to the 'CAN' wall and then choose a new 'YET' activity!



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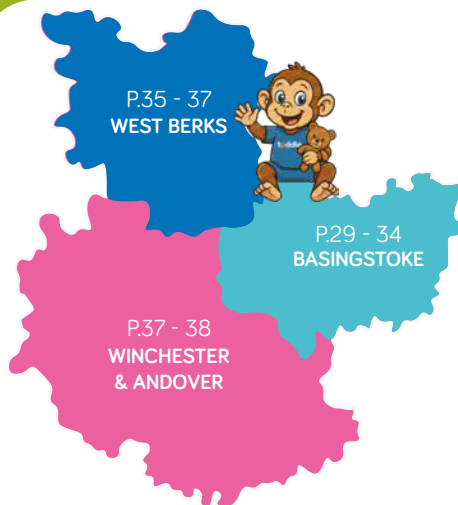
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## BASINGSTOKE AREA



## MONDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Christ Church

Chineham, Basingstoke, RG24 8LT. 01256 474280.  
[www.christchurchchineham.org.uk](http://www.christchurchchineham.org.uk).

- Sparklers: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £1.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

#### Home-Start Basingstoke & Deane

The Sarum Hill Centre, Sarum Hill, Basingstoke, RG21 8SR.  
01256325793. [homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk](http://homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk).

- Wellbeing Circle: 9:45 - 11:00. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.
- Wellbeing 5 Week Course: 11:30 - 12:30.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

#### Oakley with Wootton

St Leonard's Centre, Rectory Road, Oakley, RG23 7ED.  
01256 782724. [www.oakleywithwootton.org.uk](http://www.oakleywithwootton.org.uk).

- Pippins: 13:30 - 15:00. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

#### The Salvation Army

6 Mulfords Hill, Tadley, RG26 3LJ. +44 20 7367 4500.  
[www.salvationarmy.org.uk](http://www.salvationarmy.org.uk).

- Pebbles, Salvation Army at Tadley: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £1.50 per session (*drop in*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

#### The Roger Morris Community Centre

Eastrop Way, Basingstoke, RG21 4QE. 01256 473634.  
[www.viables.org.uk](http://www.viables.org.uk).

- Tiny Town - rolle play village (walking-5): 9:30 - 10:30.

**Cost:** £4 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

## CREATIVE

### Pop Up Play Village Basingstoke

iFLY Indoor Skydiving, Basingstoke Leisure Park, Euskirchen Way, Basingstoke, RG22 6PG. 07789 717076.

[www.popupplayvillage.co.uk](http://www.popupplayvillage.co.uk).

- Visit Our Village: 9:00 - 17:00. 90 minute slots available

**Ages:** 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £9 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

### Tadley & District Community Association

The Link, Newchurch Road, Tadley, RG26 4HN. 01189814538.  
[www.tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk](http://www.tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk).

- Bumbles Tiny Tunes and Tales - Newborn to Walkers: 9:30 - 10:15.
- Bumbles Tiny Tunes and Tales - Walkers to 5 years: 10:30 - 11:15.

**Cost:** £5 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul.

## DANCE & DRAMA

### Drama Tots Basingstoke

St Mary's Church Room, The Street, Old Basing, Basingstoke, RG24 7BW. 07803 046549. [www.dramatots.co.uk](http://www.dramatots.co.uk).

- Bright Stars 10.30am: 10:30 - 11:15. **Ages:** 3 - 6 yrs.

**Cost:** £7.50 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

### Petite School of Dancing

Pamber Memorial Hall, Pamber Heath Road, Pamber Heath, Tadley, RG26 3TQ. [www.petiteschoolofdancing.com](http://www.petiteschoolofdancing.com).

- Grown Up & Me: 10:30 - 11:15. **Ages:** 1 yrs 6 mths - 3 yrs.

**Cost:** £6 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

### Petite School of Dancing

Bramley Village Hall, The Street, Bramley, RG26 5BP.  
[www.petiteschoolofdancing.com](http://www.petiteschoolofdancing.com).

- Tiddlers: 16:00 - 16:30. **Ages:** 3 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £4.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.



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## PHYSICAL FUN

### Tumble Tots Basingstoke

North Warnborough Village Hall, Priors Corner, Dunley's Hill, North Warnborough, RG29 1EA. 07368 500820.  
[www.tumbletots.com](http://www.tumbletots.com).

- 2 - 3 Years: 9:30 - 10:15.
- Confidently Walking to 2 years: 10:30 - 11:15.
- 6 months to walking class: 11:30 - 12:15.
- 3 years to school age: 12:35 - 13:20.

**Cost:** £9.75 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

### Wellington Country Park

Wellington Country Park, Odiham Road, Riseley, Reading, RG7 1SP. 0118 9326 444. [wellingtoncountrypark.co.uk](http://wellingtoncountrypark.co.uk).

- **Welly Tots - Summer Term:** 9:45 - 14:00. **Ages:** 1.5 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £22.45 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 17 Jul.

## SWIMMING

### Basingstoke Sports Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LE. 01256 326331.  
[www.better.org.uk](http://www.better.org.uk).

- **Pre School:** 11:00 - 12:00.

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

## LIBRARIES

### Basingstoke Discovery Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

- **Stay and Play at Basingstoke:** 10:30 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.
- **Parent Meet and Connect:** 11:30 - 12:30. **Ages:** 0 - 2 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

### Tadley Library

Mulfords Hill, Tadley, RG26 3JE. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

- **Stay and Play at Tadley Library:** 10:30 - 11:00.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

- **U3A Cribb at Tadley Library:** 14:00 - 16:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

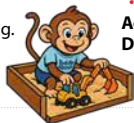
## OTHER

### Wellington International Horse Trials & Country Fair

Highfield Farm, Heckfield, Hook, RG27 0LP. 0118 932 6308.  
[wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk](http://wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk).

**Times:** 9:00 - 18:00. **Ages:** 0 - 99 yrs.

**Cost:** £28.50 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 31 Aug.



## TUESDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Home-Start Basingstoke & Deane

Rucstall Community Centre, Holbein Close, Basingstoke, RG21 3QN. 01256325793.

[homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk](http://homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk).

- **Multiple Birth Group:** 10:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

#### Lychpit Village Hall

Lychpit Village Hall, Great Binfields Rd, Lychpit, Basingstoke, RG24 8TF.

- **Basing Beans:** 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £3 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

#### Melrose Community Association

Melrose Community Hall, 597 Abbey Road, Popley, Basingstoke, RG24 9ES. 01256 420676.

[www.melrosecommunityassociation.co.uk](http://www.melrosecommunityassociation.co.uk).

- **Popley Little People:** 9:30 - 12:15.

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (*drop in*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

#### Oakley with Wootton

St Leonard's Centre, Rectory Road, Oakley, RG23 7ED.

01256 782724. [www.oakleywithwootton.org.uk](http://www.oakleywithwootton.org.uk).

- **New Life:** 10:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 1 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

#### Sherfield Park Community Centre

Sherfield Park Community Centre, Sunwood Dr, Sherfield on Loddon, Hook, RG27 0FP. 01256 883 967.

[sherfieldparkcommunity.co.uk](http://sherfieldparkcommunity.co.uk).

- **Sherfield 0-5's:** 10:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

#### St Mary's Basingstoke

St Mary's Church, Goat Ln, Eastrop Ln, Basingstoke, RG21 7PZ. 01256 464249. [stmarys-basingstoke.org.uk](http://stmarys-basingstoke.org.uk).

- **Toddler Group:** 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

#### Treasure Island Parent and Toddler Group

Popley Fields Community Centre, Carpenters Down, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG249AE. +44 1256 414014.

**Times:** 9:00 - 11:00. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £2 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 14 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

#### Viabes Community Centre

The Harrow Way, Basingstoke, RG22 4BJ. 01256 473634.  
[www.viabes.org.uk](http://www.viabes.org.uk).

- **Barn Tots:** 10:00 - 11:45.

**Cost:** £2 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

## CREATIVE

### Jolly Tots Tadley

Silchesters Village Hall, Little London Rd, Silchester, RG7 2ND.  
[jollytotstadley.blogspot.com](http://jollytotstadley.blogspot.com).

- **Messy Play Session:** 10:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £7 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

## Pop Up Play Village Basingstoke

iFLY Indoor Skydiving, Basingstoke Leisure Park, Euskirchen Way, RG22 6PG. 07789 717076. [popupplayvillage.co.uk](http://popupplayvillage.co.uk).

• Visit Our Village: 9:00 - 17:00. 90 minute slots available

**Ages:** 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £9 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

## PHYSICAL FUN

### Tumble Tots Basingstoke

Sycamore Centre - Ashwood Hall, Sycamore Way, Basingstoke, RG23 8AB. 07368 500820. [www.tumbletots.com](http://www.tumbletots.com).

- Confidently Walking to 2 years: 9:30 - 10:15.
- 2 - 3 Years: 10:30 - 11:15.
- 6 months to walking class: 11:30 - 12:15.
- 3 years to school age: 12:35 - 13:20.

**Cost:** £9.75 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 8 Sep - 20 Oct.

## SWIMMING

### Basingstoke Sports Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LE. 01256 326331. [www.better.org.uk](http://www.better.org.uk).

- Pre School: 11:30 - 12:30. *Preschoolers' swimming skills*
- Dippers: 9:30 - 10:00. *Baby water fun with parents*
- Splashers: 10:00 - 10:30. *Toddler water fun with parents*
- Paddlers: 10:30 - 11:00 & 11:00 - 11:30. *Toddlers' swimming basics*

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 8 Sep - 20 Oct.

## LIBRARIES

### Alton Library

Vicarage Hill, Alton, GU34 1HT. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

- Storytime: 10:30 - 11:00. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.
- Chat About at Alton Library: 14:00 - 15:30.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

### Basingstoke Discovery Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

- Baby Rhymetime: 10:30 - 11:00. **Ages:** 0 - 2 yrs.

**Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

### Chineham Library

Chineham District Centre, Basingstoke, RG24 8BQ.

- Storytime: 10:30 - 11:00. **Ages:** 3 - 5 yrs.
- Scrabble: 10:30 - 12:30.
- Construction Club: 15:15 - 16:45. **Ages:** 5 - 12 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

### Tadley Library

Mulfords Hill, Tadley, RG26 3JE. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

- Boardgames & Colouring: 10:00 - 12:30. **Ages:** 3 - 12 yrs.
- Baby Rhymetime: 10:30 - 11:00. **Ages:** 0 - 1 yrs.
- Chat About at Tadley Library: 11:00 - 12:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

## WEDNESDAY

## PARENTS & TOTS

### Hatch Warren Community Centre

Long Cross Ln, Basingstoke, RG22 4XF. 01256 811262. [www.hatchwarren.org](http://www.hatchwarren.org).

- Warren Tots Pre-Play Sessions: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £3.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 15 Jul & 2 Sep - 21 Oct.

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Fairfields Primary School, Council Road, Basingstoke, RG21 3DH. 01256325793.

[homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk](http://homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk).

- The Little Welly Club: 9:20 - 10:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*).

- Little Wellies Club: 9:20 - 10:30.

**Ages:** 1 yrs - 4 yrs 11 mths. **Cost:** Free (*must book*).

**Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

### Home-Start Basingstoke & Deane

The Sarum Hill Centre, Sarum Hill, Basingstoke, RG21 8SR. 01256325793. [homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk](http://homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk).

- Bumps to Newborn & Beyond: 9:30 - 11:00.

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*).

- Bumps to Newborn: 9:45 - 11:15.

**Ages:** 0 - 3 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*).

**Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

### Melrose Community Association

Melrose Community Hall, 597 Abbey Road, Popley, Basingstoke, RG24 9ES. 01256 420676.

[www.melrosecommunityassociation.co.uk](http://www.melrosecommunityassociation.co.uk).

- Popley Little People: 9:30 - 12:15.

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (*drop in*).

**Dates:** 15 Jul - 22 Jul & 2 Sep - 21 Oct.

### The Roger Morris Community Centre

Eastrop Way, Basingstoke, RG21 4QE. 01256 473634. [www.viabiles.org.uk](http://www.viabiles.org.uk).

- Weigh and play: 9:30 - 11:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.



## CREATIVE

### Pop Up Play Village Basingstoke

iFLY Indoor Skydiving, Basingstoke Leisure Park, Euskirchen Way, Basingstoke, RG22 6PG. 07789 717076. [popupplayvillage.co.uk](http://popupplayvillage.co.uk).

• **Visit Our Village: 9:00 - 17:00. 90 minute slots available**

**Ages:** 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £9 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

### Tadley & District Community Association

The Point, Newchurch Road, Tadley, RG26 4HN. 01189814538. [www.tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk](http://www.tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk).

• **Cheeky Chimps: 9:30 - 11:00. Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £3 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 22 Jul.

## PHYSICAL FUN

### Tots Play Basingstoke

Chineham Village Hall, Thornhill Way, Chineham, RG24 8YE. 07843479359. [www.totsplay.co.uk](http://www.totsplay.co.uk).

- **Action Tots: 9:45 - 10:30. Ages:** 2 yrs 6 mths - 4 yrs.
- **Social Tots: 10:40 - 11:20. Ages:** 8 mths - 2 yrs 6 mths.
- **Discovery Tots: 11:35 - 12:15. Ages:** 2 - 9 mths.

**Cost:** £9.50 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul.

### Wellington Country Park

Odiham Road, Riseley, Reading, RG7 1SP. 0118 9326 444. [wellingtoncountrypark.co.uk](http://wellingtoncountrypark.co.uk).

• **Welly Wednesdays - Summer Term: 9:30 - 11:00.**

**Ages:** 1 - 8 yrs. **Dates:** 15 Jul.

• **Welly Wednesdays - Autumn Term: 9:30 - 11:00.**

**Ages:** 1 - 8 yrs.

• **Welly Tots - Autumn Term: 9:45 - 14:00.**

**Ages:** 1 yrs 6 mths - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £21.95 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 9 Sep - 21 Oct.

## SWIMMING

### Basingstoke Sports Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LE. 01256 326331. [www.better.org.uk](http://www.better.org.uk).

• **Pre School: 11:30 - 12:00, 12:00 - 12:30 & 15:30 - 16:00.**

*Preschoolers' swimming skills*

• **Dippers: 10:00 - 10:30. Baby water fun with parents**

• **Splashers: 9:30 - 10:00 & 10:30 - 11:00.**

*Toddler water fun with parents*

• **Paddlers: 11:00 - 11:30. Toddlers' swimming basics**

**Dates:** 15 Jul & 9 Sep - 21 Oct.

## LIBRARIES

### Basingstoke Discovery Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

• **Rhymetime at Basingstoke: 10:30 - 11:00. Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

## THURSDAY

## PARENTS & TOTS

### Beggarwood Babies

Beggarwood Community Centre, Broadmere Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4QZ. 07709036647.

• **Beggarwood Babies Group: 11:30 - 14:00.**

**Ages:** 0 - 1 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*).

**Dates:** 16 Jul & 23 Jul - 29 Oct.

### Christ Church

Chineham, Basingstoke, RG24 8LT. 01256 474280.

[www.christchurchchineham.org.uk](http://www.christchurchchineham.org.uk).

• **Sparklers: 10:00 - 11:30.**

**Cost:** £1.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 16 Jul & 3 Sep - 22 Oct.

### Home-Start Basingstoke & Deane

Oakridge Hall For All, Forsythia Walk, Basingstoke, RG21 5RL. 01256325793. [homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk](http://homestart-basingstokedeane.org.uk).

• **Multiple Birth Group: 10:00 - 11:30.**

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs 11 mths. **Cost:** Free (*must book*).

**Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

### Melrose Community Association

Melrose Community Hall, 597 Abbey Road, Popley, Basingstoke, RG24 9ES. 01256 420676.

[www.melrosecommunityassociation.co.uk](http://www.melrosecommunityassociation.co.uk).

• **Popley Little People: 9:30 - 12:15.**

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 16 Jul, 3 Sep - 22 Oct.

### Oakley with Wootton

St Leonard's Centre, Rectory Road, Oakley, RG23 7ED.

01256 782724. [www.oakleywithwootton.org.uk](http://www.oakleywithwootton.org.uk).

• **Quackers: 10:00 - 11:30.**

**Ages:** 0 - 3 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

### Sycamore Community Halls

Sycamore Way, Basingstoke, RG23 8AB. +44 1256 474660. [sycamorehalls.co.uk](http://sycamorehalls.co.uk).

• **Munchkins: 10:00 - 11:30. Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £1.50 (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul, 3 Sep - 22 Oct.

### The Roger Morris Community Centre

Eastrop Way, Basingstoke, RG21 4QE. 01256 473634. [www.viables.org.uk](http://www.viables.org.uk).

• **Park Tots: 9:45 - 11:30. Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (*must book*) **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

### Viables Community Centre

The Harrow Way, Basingstoke, RG22 4BJ. 01256 473634. [www.viables.org.uk](http://www.viables.org.uk).

• **Toot Toot Play: 13:00 - 14:44. Ages:** 1 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.



## CREATIVE

### Jolly Tots Tadley

Heath End Hall, Heath End Rd, Baughurst, Tadley, RG26 5LX.  
jollytotstadley.blogspot.com.

- Mini Messy Play: 10:00 - 11:15. **Ages:** 0 - 2 yrs.
- Messy Play Session: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £7 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 16 Jul & 3 Sep - 22 Oct.

### Pop Up Play Village Basingstoke

iFLY Indoor Skydiving, Basingstoke Leisure Park,  
Euskirchen Way, Basingstoke, RG22 6PG. 07789 717076.  
popupplayvillage.co.uk.

- Visit Our Village: 9:00 - 17:00. 90 minute slots available

**Ages:** 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £9 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

## DANCE & DRAMA

### Petite School of Dancing

Brocas Hall, Minchens Lane, Bramley, RG26 5BH.  
www.petiteschoolofdancing.com.

- Grown Up & Me: 10:00 - 10:45. **Ages:** 1 yrs 6 mths - 3 yrs.

**Cost:** £6 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul, 10 Sep-22 Oct.

## PHYSICAL FUN

### Tumble Tots Basingstoke

Victoria Halls, West Green Road, Hartley Wintney, RG27 8RQ.  
07368 500820. www.tumbletots.com.

- 3 years to school age: 9:30 - 10:15.
- Confidently Walking to 2 years: 10:35 - 11:20.
- 2 - 3 Years: 11:35 - 12:20.

**Cost:** £9.75 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 10 Sep - 22 Oct.

## SWIMMING

### Basingstoke Sports Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LE. 01256 326331.  
www.better.org.uk.

- Pre School: 11:00 - 13:00. *Preschoolers' swimming skills*

**Dates:** 16 Jul & 10 Sep - 22 Oct.

## LIBRARIES

### Basingstoke Discovery Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Rhymetime at Basingstoke: 10:30 - 11:00.
- STEM Social at Basingstoke: 10:00 - 11:00.
- Read Aloud at Basingstoke: 12:45 - 13:30.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*).

**Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

### Alton Library

Vicarage Hill, Alton, GU34 1HT. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Rhymetime at Alton Library: 10:30 - 11:00. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.
- Loopy Loopers at Alton Library: 14:00 - 16:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

### Tadley Library

Mulfords Hill, Tadley, RG26 3JE. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Scrabble: 10:00 - 12:00.
- Storytime: 10:30 - 11:00. **Ages:** 3 - 5 yrs.
- U3A Scrabble: 14:00 - 16:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

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## FRIDAY

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### Hope Community Church

Sarum Hill Centre, The Sarum Hill, Basingstoke, RG21 8SR.

- Bouncing Beans: 10:00 - 12:00. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** £0.50 per session. **Dates:** 17 Jul, 4 Sep-23 Oct.

### Melrose Community Association

Melrose Community Hall, 597 Abbey Road, Popley,  
Basingstoke, RG24 9ES. 01256 420676.

www.melrosecommunityassociation.co.uk.

- Popley Little People: 9:30 - 12:15.

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 17 Jul & 4 Sep-23 Oct.

### St Luke's Church

Pamber Heath, Tadley, RG26 3DZ. 07759 151576.

- Baby And Toddler Group: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul & 4 Sep - 23 Oct.

### Viables Community Centre

The Harrow Way, Basingstoke, RG22 4BJ. 01256 473634.

www.viables.org.uk.

- Little Seedlings Music: 10:00 - 10:45.

**Cost:** £3 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

## CREATIVE

### Jolly Tots Tadley

Heath End Hall, Heath End Rd, Baughurst, Tadley, RG26 5LX.  
jollytotstadley.blogspot.com.

- Messy Play Session: 9:45 - 11:15. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £7 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul, 4 Sep - 23 Oct.

## Pop Up Play Village Basingstoke

iFLY Indoor Skydiving, Basingstoke Leisure Park, Euskirchen Way, RG22 6PG. 07789 717076. [popupplayvillage.co.uk](http://popupplayvillage.co.uk).

• Visit Our Village: 9:00 - 17:00. 90 minute slots available

**Ages:** 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £9 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

## Tadley & District Community Association

The Point, Newchurch Road, Tadley, RG26 4HN. 01189814538. [www.tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk](http://www.tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk).

• Soft Play: 9:30 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £3 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul.

## PHYSICAL FUN

### Tumble Tots Basingstoke

Sherborne St John Village Hall, Kiln Road, Basingstoke, RG24 9HR. 07368 500820. [www.tumbletots.com](http://www.tumbletots.com).

• 6 months to walking class: 9:30 - 10:15.

• Confidently Walking to 2 years: 11:35 - 12:20.

• 2 - 3 Years: 11:35 - 12:20.

• 3 years to school age: 12:35 - 13:20.

**Cost:** £9.75 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 11 Sep - 23 Oct.

## SWIMMING

### Basingstoke Sports Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LE. 01256 326331. [www.better.org.uk](http://www.better.org.uk).

• Pre School: 11:30 - 12:00 & 12:00 - 12:30.

*Preschoolers' swimming skills*

• Dippers: 9:30 - 10:00. *Baby water fun with parents*

• Splashers: 10:00 - 10:30. *Toddler water fun with parents*

• Paddlers: 10:30 - 11:00 & 11:00 - 11:30. *Toddlers' basics*

**Dates:** 17 Jul & 11 Sep - 23 Oct.

## LIBRARIES

### Basingstoke Discovery Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

• Storytime: 10:30 - 11:00. **Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs.

**Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

### Chineham Library

Chineham District Centre, Basingstoke, RG24 8BQ.

• Rhymetime for Under 1's: 10:00 - 10:30.

• Rhymetime for Over 1's: 11:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

### Alton Library

Vicarage Hill, Alton, GU34 1HT. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

• Board Games Club: 15:30 - 16:45. **Ages:** 5 - 12 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

### Tadley Library

Mulfords Hill, Tadley, RG26 3JE. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

• Toddler Rhymetime at Tadley Library: 10:30 - 11:00.

• New Parents Meet at Tadley Library: 14:00 - 15:00.

**Cost:** Free. **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

## SATURDAY

### DANCE & DRAMA

#### Petite School of Dancing

Bramley Village Hall, The Street, Bramley, RG26 5BP. [www.petiteschoolofdancing.com](http://www.petiteschoolofdancing.com).

• Tiddlers: 16:00 - 16:30. **Ages:** 3 - 5 yrs.

**Cost:** £4.50 (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul & 12 Sep - 23 Oct.



## CREATIVE

### Pop Up Play Village Basingstoke

iFLY Indoor Skydiving, Basingstoke Leisure Park, Euskirchen Way, Basingstoke, RG22 6PG. 07789 717076. [popupplayvillage.co.uk](http://popupplayvillage.co.uk).

• Visit Our Village: 9:00 - 17:00. 90 minute slots available

**Ages:** 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £9 (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

## SWIMMING

### Basingstoke Sports Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LE. 01256 326331. [www.better.org.uk](http://www.better.org.uk).

• Pre School: 9:00 - 9:30, 9:30 - 11:30 & 13:00 - 13:30.

*Preschoolers' swimming skills*

• Paddlers: 8:00 - 8:30 & 8:30 - 9:00. *Toddlers' basics*

**Dates:** 18 Jul & 12 Sep - 24 Oct.

## LIBRARIES

### Alton Library

Vicarage Hill, Alton, GU34 1HT. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

• Construction Club: 14:00 - 16:00. **Ages:** 5 - 12 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

### Basingstoke Discovery Centre

Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

• Construction Club: 10:00 - 13:00. **Ages:** 5 - 12 yrs.

**Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

### Tadley Library

Mulfords Hill, Tadley, RG26 3JE. [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

• Dad's Rhymetime & Craft Tadley: 10:30 - 12:00.

**Ages:** 3 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £0.50 per session (*must book*).

• Family Fun Board Games Tadley: 14:00 - 16:00.

• Construction Club at Tadley Library: 14:00 - 16:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

## OTHER

### Wellington International Horse Trials

Highfield Farm, Heckfield, Hook, RG27 0LP. 0118 932 6308. [www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk](http://www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk). **Times:** 9:00 - 18:00.

**Ages:** 0 - 99 yrs. **Cost:** £28.50 (*must book*). **Dates:** 29 Aug.

## SUNDAY

## CREATIVE

### Pop Up Play Village Basingstoke

iFLY Indoor Skydiving, Basingstoke Leisure Park, Euskirchen Way, Basingstoke, RG22 6PG. 07789 717076. [popupplayvillage.co.uk](http://popupplayvillage.co.uk).

• Visit Our Village: 9:00 - 17:00. 90 minute slots available

**Ages:** 0 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £9 (*must book*). **Dates:** 19 Jul - 25 Oct.

## OTHER

### Wellington International Horse Trials

Highfield Farm, Heckfield, Hook, RG27 0LP. 0118 932 6308. [www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk](http://www.wellingtonhorsetrials.co.uk). **Times:** 9:00 - 18:00.

**Ages:** 0 - 99 yrs. **Cost:** £28.50 (*must book*). **Dates:** 30 Aug.

## WEST BERKS AREA

## MONDAY

## PARENTS &amp; TOTS

## St Mary's Greenham

St Mary's Church, New Road, Greenham, RG19 8RZ.  
www.stmarysgreenham.org.

- Teas, Toys and Tots Playgroup in Greenham: 9:30 - 11:00.

**Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

## St Nicolas Church, Newbury

West Mills, Newbury, RG14 5HG. +44 1635 47018.

- Hidden Treasures: 10:00 - 11:15.

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

## Tilehurst Methodist Church

26 School Road, Tilehurst, RG31 5AN. 0118 942 7128.  
www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk.

- Tots at TMC – Under 5's: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £4 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 24 Aug & 7 Sep - 26 Oct.

## Tiny Town Café

34 Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AG. 01635 947036.  
www.tinytownnewbury.co.uk.

- General Play Sessions: 9:30 - 11:00, 11:30 - 13:00 & 13:30 - 15:00 **Ages:** 0 - 6 yrs.

**Cost:** £8.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

## CREATIVE

## Great Shefford Village Hall

Station Road, Great Shefford, RG17 7DR. 07765 508 867.  
www.greatsheffordunderfives.co.uk.

- Great Shefford Under 5's: 9:30 - 11:00.

**Cost:** £3 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.

## TUESDAY

## PARENTS &amp; TOTS

## Aldermaston Parish Hall

The Street, Aldermaston, RG7 4LN. 07748 791544.  
aldermastonparishhall.co.uk.

- Aldermaston Toddlers: 9:30 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £3 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

## Kennet Christian Centre

Enborne Road, Newbury, RG14 6AH. 01635 580346.  
www.thekcc.co.uk.

- Rainbow Toddlers: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** £1.50 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

## Kingsclere Village Club

George St, Kingsclere, Newbury, RG20 5NH. 01635 297913.  
www.kingsclerevillageclub.co.uk.

- Baby and Toddler Group: 9:00 - 11:00.

**Cost:** £2 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

## Saint Mary's Church, Shaw

Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, RG14 2DR. 01635 40450.  
shawchurch.org.

- Meeting Point: 9:45 - 11:15.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £0.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 8 Sep - 20 Oct.

## St John's Church

St John's Road, Newbury, RG14 7PY. 01635 41249.  
stg-stj.org.uk.

- St John's Newbury Baby & Toddler Group: 9:30 - 11:15.

**Cost:** £2 per session (*drop in*).

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

## The Lambourn Centre

Close End, Lambourn, RG17 8NJ. 01488 73690. lambourn.org.

- Under 5's Parent & Toddler Group: 10:00 - 12:00.

**Cost:** Free. **Dates:** 14 Jul - 21 Jul & 1 Sep - 20 Oct.

## Tiny Town Café

34 Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AG. 01635 947036.  
tinytownnewbury.co.uk.

- General Play Sessions: 9:30 - 11:00, 11:30 - 13:00 & 13:30 - 15:00. **Ages:** 0 - 6 yrs.

**Cost:** £8.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 14 Jul.

## WEDNESDAY

## PARENTS &amp; TOTS

## Kennet Christian Centre

Enborne Road, Newbury, RG14 6AH. 01635 580346.  
www.thekcc.co.uk.

- Rainbow Toddlers: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** £1.50 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

## The Parent Village at Educafe

Newbury Central Library, The Wharf, Newbury, RG14 5AU.  
01635 936211. www.educafeuk.co.uk. **Times:** 11:00 - 14:00.

**Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

## The Salvation Army

Northcroft Lane, Newbury, RG14 1BU. +44 20 7367 4500.  
www.salvationarmy.org.uk.

- Stay and Play - Newbury: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** £1.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 15 Jul, 2 Sep - 21 Oct.

## Tilehurst Methodist Church

26 School Road, Tilehurst, RG31 5AN. 0118 942 7128.  
www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk.

- Tots at TMC – Under 5's: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £4 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

## Tiny Town Café

Tiny Town Café, 34 Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AG.  
01635 947036. tinytownnewbury.co.uk.

- General Play Sessions: 9:30 - 11:00, 11:30 - 13:00 & 13:30 - 15:00. **Ages:** 0 - 6 yrs.

**Cost:** £8.50 per session (*drop in*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.



# SUMMER HOLIDAYS

## Puzzle Quest

Mon- 10-12pm 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

## Makers Guild

Thurs: 10-12pm 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th

Book, Folder, Activity tray, Dice bag, Puppets

## Gamers League

Fri: 10-12pm 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th

## Sundays

10-12pm

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### Rocket Propelled Games

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3 hours £10

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groups → Email or call

rocketpropelledgames@outlook.com  
0635 885655

## Rocket Propelled Games

Rocket Propelled Games, 150-151 Bartholomew Street, Newbury, RG14 5HB. 01635885655.

- Baby and Toddler Meet Up: 19:07 - 21:07.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free (drop in).

- Home Education Meet Up: 19:21 - 23:21.

**Ages:** 5 - 16 yrs. **Cost:** £2.50 per session (drop in).

**Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

## FRIDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Burghfield Common Village Hall

Recreation Road, Burghfield Common, RG7 3EN.

0118 909 0838. [www.burghfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.burghfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk).

- Burghfield Common Toddler Group: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £2.50 per session (must book).

**Dates:** 17 Jul & 4 Sep - 23 Oct.

#### GLENDALE CHURCH

The Well, Green Lane, Thatcham, RG19 3RG.

[www.glendale-church.com](http://www.glendale-church.com).

- Replenish Baby & Toddler Group: 10:00 - 12:00.

**Cost:** £2 per session (drop in). **Dates:** 17 Jul & 4 Sep - 23 Oct.

#### Hungerford Youth and Community Centre

Priory Road, Hungerford, RG17 0AL. 07999 053744.

[hungerfordyc.org.uk](http://hungerfordyc.org.uk).

- Ladybugs Playgroup (Hungerford): 9:30 - 11:00.

£2.50 per family - snacks included.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Dates:** 17 Jul & 4 Sep - 23 Oct.

#### Newbury Baptist Church

Cheap Street, Newbury, RG14 5DD. +447901795987.

[www.newburybaptistchurch.org](http://www.newburybaptistchurch.org).

- Giggles and Wiggles Toddler Group: 9:30 - 10:45.

**Cost:** £1.50 (must book). **Dates:** 17 Jul, 4 Sep-23 Oct.

#### The Lambourn Centre

Close End, Lambourn, RG17 8NJ. 01488 73690. [lambourn.org](http://lambourn.org).

- Under 5's Parent & Toddler Group: 10:00 - 12:00.

**Cost:** Free (must book). **Dates:** 17 Jul & 4 Sep - 23 Oct.

#### Tilehurst Methodist Church

26 School Road, Tilehurst, RG31 5AN. 0118 942 7128.

[www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk](http://www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk).

- Tots at TMC - Under 5's: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £4 per session (must book). **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

#### Tiny Town Café

34 Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AG. 01635 947036.

[tinytownnewbury.co.uk](http://tinytownnewbury.co.uk).

- General Play Sessions: 9:30 - 11:00, 11:30 - 13:00 & 13:30 - 15:00. **Ages:** 0 - 6 yrs. **Cost:** £8.50 per session (drop in).

- Parent & Tiny Toes Yoga: 13:30 - 15:00.

**Ages:** 2 mths - 6 yrs. **Cost:** £10 per session (drop in).

**Dates:** 17 Jul - 23 Oct.

#### Upper Bucklebury Memorial Hall

Broad Lane, Upper Bucklebury, RG7 6QH.

[buckleburymemorialhall.org.uk](http://buckleburymemorialhall.org.uk).

- Bucklebury Baby & Toddler Group: 9:30 - 11:00.

**Cost:** £1 per session (must book). **Dates:** 17 Jul & 4 Sep-23 Oct.

## THURSDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Brightwalton Village Hall

Common Lane, Brightwalton, RG20 7BN.

- Brightwalton Toddler Group: 9:00 - 10:45. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** £3 per session (must book). **Dates:** 16 Jul & 3 Sep-22 Oct.

#### Kennet Christian Centre

Enborne Road, Newbury, RG14 6AH. 01635 580346.

[www.thekcc.co.uk](http://www.thekcc.co.uk).

- Rainbow Toddlers: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs.

**Cost:** £1.50 per session (must book). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

#### The Lambourn Centre

Close End, Lambourn, RG17 8NJ. 01488 73690. [lambourn.org](http://lambourn.org).

- Under 5's Parent & Toddler Group: 10:00 - 12:00.

**Cost:** Free (must book). **Dates:** 16 Jul & 3 Sep - 22 Oct.

#### Tilehurst Methodist Church

26 School Road, Tilehurst, RG31 5AN. 0118 942 7128.

[www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk](http://www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk).

- Tots at TMC - Under 5's: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Cost:** £4 per session (must book). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

#### Tiny Town Café

Tiny Town Café, 34 Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AG.

01635 947036. [tinytownnewbury.co.uk](http://tinytownnewbury.co.uk).

- General Play Sessions: 9:30 - 11:00, 11:30 - 13:00 & 13:30 - 15:00. **Ages:** 0 - 6 yrs.

**Cost:** £8.50 per session (drop in). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.



## SATURDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Tiny Town Café

34 Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AG. 01635 947036.  
tinytownnewbury.co.uk.

• General Play Sessions: 9:30 - 11:00, 11:30 - 13:00 & 13:30 - 15:00. **Ages:** 0 - 6 yrs. **Cost:** £8.50 per session (*drop in*).

**Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

### DANCE & DRAMA

#### Stagecoach Reading & Burghfield Common

The Willink School, School Lane, Burghfield Common,  
Reading, RG7 3ZJ. 07890 191695. www.stagecoach.co.uk.

• Mini Stages: 9:00 - 9:45.

**Ages:** 2 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** £10 per session (*must book*).

• Early Stages: 9:45 - 11:15.

**Ages:** 4 - 6 yrs. **Cost:** £15.50 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 12 Sep - 24 Oct.

### PHYSICAL FUN

#### Little Kickers Oxford, Bucks and Northants

St Joseph's R C Primary School, Newport Rd, Newbury,  
RG14 2AW. 07503 142496. www.littlekickers.co.uk.

• Little Kickers: 7:45 - 8:30. **Ages:** 3 - 7 yrs.

• Junior Kickers: 9:35 - 10:20. **Ages:** 1 yrs 6 mths - 5 yrs.

• Mighty Kickers: 10:25 - 11:10. **Ages:** 3 yrs 6 mths - 5 yrs.

• Mega Kickers: 11:15 - 12:00. **Ages:** 5 - 7 yrs.

**Cost:** £8.30 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

#### Rugbytots West Berkshire and Wantage

St Gabriel's School, Sandford Priory, Newtown Rd,  
Newtown, Greenham, Newbury, RG20 9BD. 03453130805.  
www.rugbytots.co.uk.

• Rugbytots (3.5-5 yrs): 8:30-9:15, 9:55-10:40 & 10:30-11:15.

• Rugbytots (2 - 3.5 yrs): 9:20 - 9:50 & 9:55 - 10:25.

**Cost:** £8.95 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 17 Oct.

#### Rugbytots West Berkshire and Wantage

Francis Baily Primary School, Skillman Dr, Thattham,  
RG19 4GG. 03453130805. www.rugbytots.co.uk.

• Rugbytots (2 - 3.5 yrs): 9:20 - 9:50.

• Rugbytots (3.5 - 5 yrs): 10:00 - 10:45.

**Cost:** £8.95 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 17 Oct.



## MONDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### St Catherine's Church

Littleton Church Room, Church Lane, Littleton, SO22 6QY.

• Littleton Church Toddler Group: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*).

**Dates:** 13 Jul - 20 Jul & 7 Sep - 19 Oct.



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## SUNDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Tiny Town Café

34 Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AG. 01635 947036.  
tinytownnewbury.co.uk.

• General Play Sessions: 9:30 - 11:00, 11:30 - 13:00 & 13:30 - 15:00. **Dates:** 19 Jul - 25 Oct.

• SEND Session: 10:00-11:30. **Dates:** 16 Aug, 20 Sep, 18 Oct.

**Ages:** 0 - 6 yrs. **Cost:** £8.50 per session (*drop in*).

### PHYSICAL FUN

#### Rugbytots West Berkshire and Wantage

Pangbourne Recreation Ground, Thames Ave, Pangbourne,  
Reading, RG8 7DA. 03453130805. www.rugbytots.co.uk.

• Rugbytots (3.5 - 5 yrs): 8:30 - 9:15 & 9:55 - 10:40.

• Rugbytots (2 - 3.5 yrs): 9:20 - 9:50.

**Cost:** £8.95 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 19 Jul - 18 Oct.

## WINCHESTER & ANDOVER AREA

## LIBRARIES

#### Andover Library

Chantry Centre, Andover, SP10 1LT. www.hants.gov.uk.

• Storytime: 11:00-11:30. **Ages:** 3-5 yrs. **Dates:** 13 Jul-26 Oct.

#### Winchester Library

Jewry St, Winchester, SO23 8SB. www.hants.gov.uk.

• Home Education Club Winchester: 13:00 - 15:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 13 Jul - 26 Oct.

## TUESDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Christ Church - Winchester

Christchurch Road, Winchester, SO23 9SR. ccwinch.org.uk.

- Bumps and Babies: 10:00 - 11:30. **Cost:** Free
- Toddlers: 10:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 3 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** £1 per session

**Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

### LIBRARIES

#### Andover Library

Chantry Centre, Andover, SP10 1LT. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Chatty Craft at Andover Library: 10:30 - 12:00.
- Dog Storytime: 11:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 3 - 8 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 14 Jul - 27 Oct.

## WEDNESDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### Picket Twenty Community Centre

Picket Twenty Community Centre, Picket Twenty Way, Andover, SP11 6TY. 08081640909. picketttwenty.org.uk.

- Baby & Toddler Group: 10:30 - 12:00.

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

### LIBRARIES

#### Andover Library

Chantry Centre, Andover, SP10 1LT. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Rhymetime at Andover Library: 11:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

#### Whitchurch Library

Gill Nethercott Centre, Whitchurch, RG28 7HP.

- Sociable Stitching at Whitchurch: 13:30 - 15:30.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 15 Jul - 28 Oct.

## THURSDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### St Paul's Church

St Paul's Hill, Winchester, SO22 5AB. 01962 844878. stmatthewstpaul.org.

- Bumps & Babies: 9:15 - 10:30.

**Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul, 3 Sep - 22 Oct.

### LIBRARIES

#### Alresford Library

20 Broad Street, New Alresford, SO24 9AQ. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Rhymetime at Alresford Library: 11:15 - 11:45.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

#### Andover Library

Chantry Centre, Andover, SP10 1LT. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Parents Meet: 11:00 - 12:00. **Cost:** Free (*must book*).
- Baby Play: 11:00 - 12:00. **Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*).

**Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct. **Ages:** 0 - 2 yrs.

### Winchester Library

Jewry St, Winchester, SO23 8SB. www.hants.gov.uk.

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

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 16 Jul - 29 Oct.

## FRIDAY

### PARENTS & TOTS

#### St Barnabas Church, Winchester

Fromond Rd, Winchester, SO22 6EF. 01962 886629. stb.church.

- Tiddlywinks: 10:00 - 11:30.

**Ages:** 0 - 4 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*drop in*). **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

#### St Paul's Church

St Paul's Hill, Winchester, SO22 5AB. 01962 844878. stmatthewstpaul.org.

- Toddler Group: 9:30 - 11:00.

**Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul, 4 Sep - 23 Oct.

### LIBRARIES

#### Andover Library

Chantry Centre, Andover, SP10 1LT. www.hants.gov.uk.

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

**Ages:** 0 - 5 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

#### Whitchurch Library

Gill Nethercott Centre, Whitchurch, RG28 7HP.

- Rhymetime: 10:30 - 11:00.

**Ages:** 0 - 2 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 17 Jul - 30 Oct.

## SATURDAY

### LIBRARIES

#### Alresford Library

20 Broad Street, New Alresford, SO24 9AQ. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Construction Club at Alresford Library: 10:00 - 13:00.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

#### Andover Library

Chantry Centre, Andover, SP10 1LT. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Community Connections at Library: 10:00 - 12:00.
- Dads' Rhymetime: 11:00 - 11:30. **Ages:** 3 - 5 yrs.
- Construction Club: 14:00 - 16:00. **Ages:** 5 - 12 yrs.

**Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 31 Oct.

#### Whitchurch Library

Gill Nethercott Centre, Whitchurch, RG28 7HP. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Construction Club at Whitchurch: 10:00 - 13:00.

**Ages:** 3 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** £1 per session (*must book*).

- Saturday Storytime at Whitchurch: 10:30 - 11:00.

**Ages:** 3 - 8 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*).

**Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

#### Winchester Library

Jewry St, Winchester, SO23 8SB. www.hants.gov.uk.

- Family Fun at Winchester Library: 14:00 - 16:00.

**Ages:** 3 - 12 yrs. **Cost:** Free (*must book*). **Dates:** 18 Jul - 24 Oct.

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