HEADINGTON SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP : extended learning for all ages

04.07.24 ***too many great things*** ***happening on Saturday 6 July!***

OXTRAIL 2024 **Saturday 6 July – Thursday 29 August** ***https://oxtrail2024.co.uk/***

Join a sculpture trail unlike anything Oxfordshire has seen before!
Complete the main trail in Oxford's city centre, with 31 bold and beautiful life-sized sculptures to admire, or explore Oxfordshire in all its glory by visiting the further 107 mini ox sculptures across the county. Each sculpture has been individually designed by artists, local schools, and community groups, making the herd truly unique, and many of the artworks have been inspired by the local wildlife, scenery, and culture Oxfordshire has to offer.

85 local schools and community groups are taking part in this ox-traordinary adventure; each has painted a mini ox to display on the trail in mini herds. OxTrail has reached 37,580 young people in Oxfordshire, giving them the opportunity to use their creativity, engage in a community-focussed project, and learn something new using a resource pack produced by **Oxford Brookes University**

OxTrail is raising vital funds for **Sobell House Hospice**. By purchasing the app, a map, merch, or entering the raffle, you are helping to make a difference to people facing life-limiting illness. ***https://oxtrail2024.co.uk/app/***

Are you ready for a moo-vellous adventure? **Farewell weekend 7-8 September** ***Westgate***

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COWLEY ROAD CARNIVAL **will be back on the road on Sunday 1 September with the theme "OUR NATURE, OUR FUTURE" A fitting way to end the summer but of course making it impossible for schools to take part – so we hope families may get involved with the planned community participation….. sign up on the website; keep an eye on Facebook + more details will follow here….*https://www.cowleyroadworks.org/***

LAUNCH AND FUNDRAISER **Sunday 7 July from 12.00** ***at the Bullingdon*****, *162 Cowley Road OX4 1UE***
with Sol Samba – and then spreading along to other venues on the Cowley Road
https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=cowley%20road%20carnival%202024

OXFORD FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS ***https://artsfestivaloxford.org/whats-on/ venues across the city***

With the wonderful restoration work on the **statues of the nine muses** on the top of Clarendon Building on Broad Street (opposite the Weston Library), the 2024 Oxford Festival of the Arts celebrates this iconic building in its programming through the concept of a "muse" exhibitions, talks, concerts, drama and dance in galleries, colleges and theatres in Oxford.

Friday 5 July	**8.00**	**picnic from 6.30** ***Magdalen College School*** **– Madrigals on the river** ***https://www.ticketsoxford.com/events/madrigals-on-the-river-2***
Saturday 6 July	**10.00-12.00**	***Magdalen College Old Library*** **– Narnia exhibition** ***https://artsfestivaloxford.org/events/narnina-witches-dragons-and-hidden-kingdoms/***
Saturday 13 July	**11.00-4.00**	***Ashmolean Museum*** **– Festival of Art** ***https://artsfestivaloxford.org/events/festival-of-art/***
Sunday 14 July	**11.00-4.00**	***Ashmolean Museum*** **– Festival of Archaeology** ***https://artsfestivaloxford.org/events/festival-of-archaeology-2/***

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DANCIN' OXFORD SUMMER DANCE FESTIVAL ***https://www.dancinoxford.co.uk/whats-on/***

DANCE EXTRAVAGANZA **Saturday 6 July** **12.00-5.00** ***Leiden Square, Westgate (in front of John Lewis)***
GLOBAL DANCE STAGE **Sunday 7 July** **12.00-5.00**
more on July 19 and 20

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ALICE'S DAY 2024 ***https://www.storymuseum.org.uk/about-us/alices-day-1***

Saturday 6 July will be a frabjous day of delight!

Tumble down the rabbit hole on **Alice's Day, Oxford's city-wide celebration of all things Alice in Wonderland!** This year's theme is **Fabulous Monsters and Curious Creatures**. Meet the giant Alice - but watch out for the Jabberwock! - dress up as your favourite Wonderland character - meet the Dodo - discover curious creatures - take tea with the Hatter! And to top it all, there's half price entry to The Story Museum – booking is essential for that and for some other activities in the Botanic Garden, Museum of Oxford, Christ Church College - much is free at the Weston (Bodleian) Library, the University Museums and on the street. Explore the whole programme across the city now on :
https://www.storymuseum.org.uk/about-us/alices-day-1?dm_i=4h58,1n184,20g1o2,7p3il,1

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OXFORDSHIRE PLAY ASSOCIATION - PLAY AND ACTIVITY DAYS ***www.oxonplay.org.uk***

OPA's mission is to champion and to support the rights of all children and young people to have access to high quality inclusive play opportunities. The charity organises a series of amazing FREE play and activity outdoor days across the county. The nearest to Headington this summer are

Wheatley	**Saturday 13 July**	**11.00-3.00**	***Wheatley Playing Field, OX33 1QG***
Rose Hill	**Saturday 20 July**	**11.00-3.00**	***Rose Hill Community Centre/Playing Field, OX4* 4HF**

Expect an exciting range of activities to appeal to all ages and interests – some are at every Play and Activity Day but others vary - this is the Wheatley list : * go karts * body zorbing * giant bubbles * Youth Zone * smoothie bike * DIY face painting * toddler ride on vehicles * science activities * Muzo music * fire play * fabric upcycling * sports tasters * arts and crafts * Maple Tree family centre * and more!

NOTE these are family themed events and as such NO childcare is provided – all children should be accompanied
Please do feel free to take a picnic although food will be available to purchase on site
There is only disabled parking on site and a very limited amount of on street space opposite
The event will be photographed and filmed.

for further information contact 07436 270 267 martin.gillett@oxonplay.org.uk

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HILL END OUTDOOR CENTRE

Hill End Outdoor Centre, Eynsham Road, OX2 9NJ

FAMILY BUSHCRAFT SATURDAYS

monthly - an extra session added - 20 July, 10.00-12.00 £12 adult, £8 child booking essential
different activities each time – will continue in September ***https://hill-end.org/news/bushcraft-saturday/***

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SCIENCE OXFORD

The Science Oxford Centre, Stansfeld Park, Quarry Road, OX3 8SB
check out the website for details of all events – book early – often fully booked – join the mailing list

FAMILY DAYS every Saturday - two hours in the Exploration Zone and all day access to the woodlands
10.00-12.00, 12.30-2.30, 3.00-5.00 ***suitable for ages 3+ but all are welcome***
£7.50 per person which includes the Eventbrite fee - free for Under 3s

You are advised to book in advance ***https://scienceoxford.com/events/family-days-every-saturday/***

Emira's Café is open 10.00-4.00 but families are also welcome to bring their own food and drink

SENSORY FRIENDLY FAMILY DAY **Saturday 6 July** Visit the Science Oxford Centre for a Sensory-friendly day with a reduced visitor capacity, to better accommodate and support families who experience autism and/or have other additional needs. Explore, discover and play in the Exploration Zone; pick up our Explorer Backpack & trail map and see what wildlife you can spot in the woodland and ponds – why not bring a picnic!

STEM THEMED SATURDAY CLUBS **most Saturdays 10.00-11.30, 12.30-2.00, 3.30-5.00**
£10 per child – accompanying adult(s) free https://scienceoxford.com/centre/science-oxford-centre-events/

For all STEM Club sessions, children must be accompanied by an adult. These family workshops are designed for you and your child to learn from each other and work together while trying out new things

book now - they sell out quickly! ***https://scienceoxford.com/whats-on/***

SCIENCE CLUB – ART LAB ***sold out***	**Saturday 6 July**	***for ages 5-9***
CREATIVE COMPUTING – CURIOUS CODERS ***sold out***	**Saturday 13 July**	***for ages 9-12***
NATURE CLUB – COLOUR CREATIONS	***Saturday 20 July***	***for ages 5-9***

https://scienceoxford.com/whats-on/colour-creations/

SCIENCE OXFORD is committed to inclusion, and recognises that cost can be a barrier so they are also working with schools and community groups to provide funded places to individuals to remove the barriers where they can

SUMMER LIBRARY TOUR ***https://scienceoxford.com/whats-on/summer-library-tour/***

The Science of Magic Show and **Family Drop-in Days** are coming to the libraries in Barton and Cowley.
Join in with head-scratching experiments and interactive demonstrations with the Science Oxford team. ***Book via the libraries.*** In August, children can also try cool activities at the **Family Drop-in Days** from testing UV beads and sunscreen, creative coding and experimenting with ink chromatography with extra activities for under 7s.

TECHNOLOGY THROUGH TIME LAUNCH

Cheney School, Cheney Lane, OX3 7QH

Friday 19 July 4.00 – 5.00 with special guest Nigel Powell of *The Unbelievable Truth* & *Sad Song Co* who will be talking about music technology and his career

Over the past several months, the **Technology through time collection** has been developed in partnership with the **History of Science Museum** and with very generous community donations. The project has included the development of Y9 curriculum materials and a team of Y10 student curators has worked alongside Chris Parkin from the HSM to design the layout, text and wording for this new permanent exhibition.

FREE - but please register with the link from http://www.rumblemuseum.org.uk/index.php/what-s-on

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CHENEY SCHOOL TREE TRAIL

Cheney School, Cheney Lane, OX3 7QH

Monday 22 July 4.00-6.30 open session : trail map – children's activities – storytelling workshops – author Julia Golding speaking 4.00-4.30 - refreshments

FREE - but please register with the link from http://www.rumblemuseum.org.uk/index.php/what-s-on

Lorna Robinson – Director – The Isis Project ***lro@cheney.org.uk*** ***http://irisproject.org.uk/***

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