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HEADINGTON SUNFLOWER TRAIL 2024

https://www.headingtonaction.org/connected-communities.html

Sunflowers are easy to grow, feed the insects, bees and birds and brighten up the neighbourhood!
Connected Communities invites you to accept free sunflower seeds to grow and be part of the 2024 Headington sunflower trail on Sunday 1 September. The schools will soon have packs to grow in school and to give to families but you can also request them direct from Gerti, Connecting Communities

haconcommunities@gmail.com

or through facebook and Instagram – *but that's still not live*
keep an eye on *https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=connected%20communities%20headington*

OXFORDSHIRE ARTWEEKS

https://www.artweeks.org/

From 4 -27 May, over a thousand artists, makers and designers will exhibit and demonstrate in artists' studios, pop-up galleries, glorious gardens, ancient churches, Oxford Colleges and hundreds of other interesting venues. Just drop-in and explore for free. Chat about painting, photography, textiles, sculpture and ceramics; discover woodworking, glass art, mosaics and jewellery, and be intrigued by contemporary installations and multidisciplinary practice.
Be inspired, entertained and surprised, and choose a treasure to take home with you!

North and West Oxfordshire: 4 - 12 May **Oxford City**: 11 - 19 May **South Oxfordshire**: 18 - 27 May

The website allows you explore by artist, media, location and more.
Alternatively you can browse the **on-line Spring Show, themed art trails**, or hundreds of artist portfolios in the **Art Showcase** to help you choose where to visit
If you'd prefer 'magazine format', flick through the e-guide (with a list of maps of local art trails) or download the festival guide as a pdf or pick one up in the library or leaflet holders around Oxford.
Opening hours are generally **11.00 – 6.00** but please confirm times for individual venues before travelling, as there may be slight amendments to those advertised in the festival guide.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

https://www.glam.ox.ac.uk/home

https://www.ox.ac.uk/visitors/visiting-oxford/visiting-museums-libraries-places

HARCOURT ARBORETUM SPRING FAIR

Harcourt Arboretum, Nuneham Courtenay, OX44 9PX

Saturday 27 April 10.00-4.00

Celebrate spring with a wander among the bluebells, a host of woodland crafts, entertainment, food and sales stalls. Try your hand at straw weaving, wood turning and spoon carving, and explore 130 acres of woodland. The Café Reason Dance Theatre will perform along with aerial rescue and tree-climbing demonstrations by the Arboretum arborists. There will also be tours led by the Arboretum curator and volunteers, where you can learn about the history of the Arboretum, conservation and research. **Charges apply for entry and for parking which must be pre-booked, but there's a FREE bus shuttle from Redbridge park and ride**

https://www.obga.ox.ac.uk/event/spring-fair-at-harcourt-arboretum-0

OXFORD EARTH DAY 2024: PLANET VS. PLASTICS

Saturday 27 April 2.00-4.30

Martin Wood Complex, Department of Physics, Parks Road, OX1 3PU

To celebrate Earth Day 2024, join the Oxford University Physics Department to hear about the latest research into the interactions between humans and the planet. **Talks** (suitable for age 14+) and **hands-on stalls** (age 6+) will cover topics as diverse as earthquake-proof building to the transition to net zero. There will also be a panel discussion on the theme of 'Planet vs. Plastics' where you can submit your questions to scientists who study these issues and hear what they do day-to-day. ***FREE but please register https://app.onlinesurveys.jisc.ac.uk/s/oxford/earth-day-2023***
https://www.physics.ox.ac.uk/events/oxford-earth-day-2024-planet-vs-plastics

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HILL END OUTDOOR CENTRE

Hill End Outdoor Centre, Eynsham Road, OX2 9NJ

FAMILY BUSHCRAFT SATURDAYS

monthly 18 May, 15 June 10.00-12.00 £12 adult, £8 child ***https://hill-end.org/news/bushcraft-saturday/***

FFENNELL FESTIVAL

Saturday 8 June 11.00-4.00 ***https://hill-end.org/news/ffennell-festival-2024/***

Named for the ffennell family who founded Hill End as an outdoor school in 1920, a family outdoor activity day including downhill racers – circus skils – Real Kingdoms Adventures – Oxford Sailing – pond dipping – bushcraft with Ultimate Survival – natural arts – bee keeping & bugs – WW1 history tours – whittling skills – story telling – barbecue
£7 adult, £3.50 children - £1 early bird discount until 5 May - booking essential – free parking

https://hill-end.org/activities/upcoming-events/

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

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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.

SCIENCE CLUB - TOY FACTORY **Saturday 27 April** ***for ages 5-9***

Step into a world of imagination, as our fun-makers use science and engineering skills to create tremendously good toys! Make your own versions of classic curiosities, spectacular sights and spinning tops! Create balancing acts, crazy climbing creations or pecking woodpeckers! Take your toy factory favourites home to impress family and friends, and remember, "Invention is 93% perspiration, 6 % electricity, 4% evaporation, and 2 % butterscotch ripple." (Willy Wonka)

https://scienceoxford.com/whats-on/toy-factory/

CREATIVE COMPUTING CLUB - WEARABLE MUSICAL TECH **Saturday 11 May** ***for ages 9-12***

Create wearable, moveable musical tech that can be controlled with your own body! In this month's coding club, make musical instruments with MakeCode and programme a BBC micro:bit to play different notes as you move or dance. Control your sound by tilting or spinning, and get ready to shake, shake, shake it off!

https://scienceoxford.com/whats-on/wearable-musical-tech/

NATURE CLUB – BEE DAY **Saturday 18 May** ***for ages 5-9***

Nature Club is buzzing about World Bee Day this May! Bees are good for the garden and the planet – join **Oxfordshire Beekeepers Association** for a 'hive' of activities and meet their bees in the Forest School area. Get creative in the workshop space, and roll your own Bee-autiful beeswax candle to take home. Play fun bee games to learn about nature's ecosystem, and investigate plants and pollinators out in the meadow. Spot honey, solitary, bumble or carpenter bee with an ID guide, and build your own bee-hotel at home with our Bee-rilliant take-away activity sheets!

https://scienceoxford.com/whats-on/bee-day/

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

If you are attending any of the Science Oxford clubs and require a carer ticket, please get in touch to discuss how best Science Oxford can support you or your child to access the activities - contact them for more information ***events@scienceoxford.com***.

Science Oxford is committed to inclusion, and recognises that cost is sometimes 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

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DANCER IN COMMUNITY RESIDENCE PROJECT - Barton **taster sessions for adults**

DANCE FOR HEALTH ***Barton Neighbourhood Centre, Underhill Circus, OX3 9LS***

Wednesdays 1.00-3.00 from 15 May designed for people living with any long term health conditions.

MOVEMENT AND RELAXATION ***The Centre for Music, Bayswater Road, OX3 9FF***

Mondays 1.00-3.00 from 13 May particularly for people dealing with anxiety and/or stress but open to all

Dancin' Oxford is very happy to be partnering with The Centre for Music and the Barton Neighbourhood Centre for these sessions and deeply appreciates their support. Led by **Jane Castree, Dancer in Community Residence**, they are based on inclusive dance practices, which means that they are suitable for **all abilities, levels of experience and physicalities** and as such are appropriate for people who use mobility aids or are wheelchair users.

These are community based sessions so also include time after the activity for people to socialise over a cup of tea to get to know each other! All the sessions are **drop in so there is no need to book**. They are just **£3 per session** but if money is a barrier for you, please come anyway as there can be a lower or waived fee

contact Jane Castree janedancinoxford@outlook.com

GLOJI ENERGY PROGRAMME ***Barton Park School, Barton Fields Road, OX3 9WN***

Gloji Energy is a new physical health and wellbeing programme for children run by Achieve Oxfordshire. This exciting 12-week programme is fully funded by Oxfordshire County Council and therefore free for children and their parents/carers. Gloji Energy is accessible to **children aged 4-12 years old** who have measured on or above the 91st Centile. There are both group and one to one sessions available, dependant on the needs of each family. Gloji Energy aims to create healthier children and families by supporting them to become more active and eat well. **Your local group starts on Thursday 9 May, 5.00-6.00**

Questions and registration, contact the Children's Programme lead, Maddy
madeleine.fowler@achieveoxfordshire.org.uk https://achieveoxfordshire.org.uk/services/gloji-energy

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