

October 2016 newsletter

We are pleased to announce the launch of our very own West of England Children's University website which will be available from **Thursday 20 October 2016** at www.childrensuniversitywest.co.uk. We will be publishing lots of new and exciting things to do throughout the year as well as through the holidays. Look out for the downloadable activities and trails too.

Di Stone & Angela England - Children's University Team

Half Term Events and Activities

CU West of England—Olympic Event—Tuesday 25 October 2016, 9.30—3.30



To celebrate the achievements of Team GB at the 2016 Rio Olympics we are running our own CU Olympic Event, for children aged 8 and over, at UWE's Centre for Sport. Cost £10 per child. Places are strictly limited to 30. To reserve a place please complete the on-line booking form at https://uwe.formstack.com/forms/olympics_2016. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Bristol Family Arts Festival

With over sixty events throughout October 2016, Bristol Family Arts Festival is a citywide celebration of family creativity, with a packed programme of events for all ages. Get involved in music, theatre, storytelling, drawing, making and much more! For information on the festival please visit: <http://www.arnolfini.org.uk/whatson/series/family-arts-festival-2016/>



Thornbury Area Youth Music

Thornbury Area Youth Music are offering a FREE taster session to anyone wanting to come and try them out. Please visit their website for details <http://www.thornbury-music.org/index.html>

Tobacco Factory Theatres

Are offering two days of spooky fun at the theatre with Tales of Terror. Join them for scary stories, creepy creations and hair-raising hijinks on Wednesday 26 or Thursdays 27 October from 10—3 and for 7-11 year olds. Visit www.tobaccofactorytheatres.com/shows/tales-of-terror for booking and details.

Future Stars Coaching— Holiday Fun Clubs

Clubs will run during October half term at various venues across Bristol & North Somerset. The range of include football, rugby, dodgeball, netball, ultimate frisbee, american football, baseball, gymnastics, tennis, hockey, rounders and cricket to name but a few! For details and booking information please visit <http://www.futurestarscoaching.net/#!/holidays/u5h3e>

@Bristol

The Tinkering Space At-Bristol Science Centre has opened a brand new creative environment to inspire the inventor in us all. You can design, make and modify your own creations and even the space itself!

Design: Make: Modify - 14 Sept – 30 Nov, drop-in sessions daily FREE with standard admission.

Planetarium

Autumn Stargazing (3D) from 6 September – 5 December with regular daily shows – Ages 6+

Exploring the Solar System (2D and 3D) – Ongoing regular daily shows – Ages 6+

Space Explorers (2D) – Ongoing regular daily shows - suitable for under-6s

For full details of all the activities on offer throughout the October telephone 0117 915 1000 or visit <https://www.at-bristol.org.uk/visit-us/whats-on>

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Crossfit & Epic Martial Arts Holiday Club

Crossfit Kids and Epic Martial Arts at The Hub Gym, Portishead have partnered to combine the very best coaching and facilities at their Kids Holiday Camp on Tuesday 25 October from 10am-3pm and is suitable for ages 4-15yrs. Booking information: Call 01275 217003 on online at <http://epicmartialarts.co.uk/product/hub-gym-epic-martial-arts-crossfit-portishead-kids-half-term-holiday-course/>



Bristol Free Museums, Historic House and Art Gallery

The STEAM Powered Big Draw - Tue 25 October, 11am – 3pm - M Shed

Build the highest tower; design a fantastical hat or make a working crane? Be inspired by their historic exhibits, let your imagination run riot and discover the designer inside you.

Holiday Family Fun: Halloween - Wed 26 October, 11.30am – 3.30pm - Blaise Castle House Museum

Make a spooky Halloween mask and follow the pumpkin trail through the house and gardens to claim a chocolate prize. We don't think the house is haunted... or is it?

Mexican Day of the Dead - Sun 30 October, 10am - 5pm - Bristol Museum & Art Gallery

Create Day of the Dead crafts, add your memories of loved ones to the colourful ofrenda (shrine), get your face painted and watch traditional Mexican dancing against the beautiful backdrop of the museum.

Further information on all these events will soon be available at <https://www.bristolmuseums.org.uk/whats-on/>

All events are 'Drop in' and 'Pay what you think'.

St George's Hall—Bristol



Wild Words 'Glorious Greeks' Music and Storytelling for ages 6+ - Tuesday 25th October 3.30pm <http://www.stgeorgesbristol.co.uk/event/wild-words-glorious-greeks/>

Cardiff County and Vale of Glamorgan Symphonic Brass for all ages Thursday 27 October 1pm – <http://www.stgeorgesbristol.co.uk/event/ccvg-symphonic-brass/> Admission for this concert is free, but there will be a retiring collection for our Building A Sound Future Appeal.

MiniBeats 'Petrifying Pianos' - Sunday 30 October <http://www.stgeorgesbristol.co.uk/event/minibeats-petrifying-pianos/> performance times - 10.15am for children aged 3 – 5 years; 12pm for children aged 5 -8; 2pm 'Relaxed Performance' especially suitable for children with special needs and their families.

St Mary Redcliffe Church

St Mary Redcliffe Church is one of the most beautiful buildings in Bristol, why not go along to explore this amazing church and gain 1 hour in your passport by following The Church Mouse's Trail (ages 6-8) and the Church Cat's Trail (ages 8-12). Both trails are available from the stewards' desk inside the church and cost £1. Trail information can be found here:- <http://www.stmaryredcliffe.co.uk/trails-for-children.html>

Arnos Vale Cemetery

Family/children's events during the half term include Garden Creatures Pottery and Detective Project workshops, Creepy Crafts Wednesday, Terrific Tours for Little Terrors and the Creepy Kids Tour. Booking information and details can be found here:- <https://arnosvale.org.uk/event-category/family/>.

Shine Sports Coaching

Holiday clubs are taking place across two venues in North Bristol. Forest Adventure, Gymnastics, Netball, Street Dance and Tag Rugby are just some of the one day workshops running alongside Multi Sports, Football, Mini Sports and Creative options. Visit www.shinesportscoaching.com for more information and to book.

Scrapstore

Children's events will be taking place every day over the October half term. Drop it at the Open Day on Saturday 15 October. Call the Scrapstore on 0117 9085644 or visit <http://www.childrensscrapstore.co.uk/> for full details.

Don't forget to take your passports to collect your stamps.

