Autumn half-term events 2024 – Leader Update 8

It has become almost a tradition for Burgess Hill Town Council to put on a range of events for the benefit of residents, in particular our young people and their parents and carers. This year is no exception and a record-breaking 50 events have been planned between April 2024 and March 2025. Most of these are free to attend, a move that has been well-received.

The Council's Community Team are now busy finalising the activities for the forthcoming half-term week (Monday October 28th – Friday November 1st). This includes the ever-popular Halloween Trail that has engaged a large number of shops in some spooky fun!

It is the policy of the Council to be all-inclusive and so we arrange for Young Carers to have some time out, just for a few hours to relax and enjoy themselves. Working in partnership with The King's Church, the Community Team organise two Family Fun sessions for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) covering ages ranging between 3 years and 18 years.

As of now, the Community Team, headed by Jennifer O'Grady, consists of just three full-time employees and such is the demand for events that extra resources will be needed. Council will be looking at this to see what can be done and also at the budget required to keep the momentum going. Our community spirit is alive and well!

HALLOWEEN TRAIL (ages 3 - 12)
Starting and ending at The Help Point.
📅 **Monday October 28th to Friday November 1st**
Prize for every entrant!
No booking needed

SCIENCE AND CRAFT SESSIONS (ages 5 - 12)
The Kiln, 30–32 The Martlets, RH15 9NN
📅 **Monday October 28th. Various times**
Booking needed from Oct 7th
Scan to book

YOUNG CARERS FUN DAY (ages 6 - 11)
Fairfield Community Centre, Western Road, RH15 8QN
📅 **Tuesday October 29th. 10am - 2.30pm**
Booking needed from Oct 25th
Scan to book

FAMILY FUN SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES (SEND) (ages 3 - 18)
The King's Church, 33–35 Victoria Road, RH15 9LR
📅 **Wednesday October 30th. 10am and 12.30pm**
Booking needed
Scan to book

For more information, please use this link to our events page.

burgesshill.gov.uk/town-community/town-events

Running alongside Town Council events during half-term will be a series of activities organised by Mid Sussex District Council in partnership with New River Retail. These will be held in a very large marquee in the Martlets Shopping Centre from Monday October 28th to Sunday November 3rd and are also free to attend..Aimed at older children, these activities will include workshops, games and a 'silent disco'. Your author has no idea how a silent disco works but will leave it to the youngsters to find out!

LASER TAG (families / ages 6+)

Family fun in an inflatable laser tag arena.

📅 **Saturday October 26th. 11am – 3pm**

No booking needed

INFLATABLE NIGHTCLUB, SILENT DISCO, DJ WORKSHOPS (families / ages 8+)

Learn how to become a superstar DJ and enjoy a silent disco in an inflatable nightclub.

📅 **Sunday October 27th. 11am – 3pm**

No booking needed

SKATEBOARDING SKILLS (ages 8 – 16)

Become a skater for a day and learn the basics to get you on your way. Booking is needed via our website www.midsussex.gov.uk or using the QR code.

📅 **Monday October 28th and Tuesday October 29th. 11am - 3pm**

Booking needed

Scan to book

SPRAY PAINTING WORKSHOPS (ages 8 – 16)

Create your own artwork in the form of a tote bag or vinyl record design. Only 10 places per session so booking is needed via our website www.midsussex.gov.uk or using the QR code.

📅 **Wednesday October 30th. 10am – 4pm**

Booking needed

Scan to book

CIRCUS SKILLS AND HALLOWEEN FACE PAINTING (families / ages 5 - 16)

Learn how to be a circus all-star with tricks and tips from the experts. Get ready for halloween with spooky face painting.

📅 **Thursday October 31. 11am – 3pm**

No booking needed

MINI GOLF COURSE (families / ages 6 - 16)

Hone your crazy golf skills on an indoor mini course.

📅 **Friday November 1st. 11am – 3pm**

No booking needed

GAMES TENT (families / ages 6 - 16)

Family fun with didi cars, inflatable dart boards, a bowling alley and arcade games.

📅 **Saturday November 2nd and Sunday November 3rd. 11am – 3pm**

No booking needed

For more information on Mid Sussex District Council events, use this link

midsussex.gov.uk