

# HEADINGTON SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP : extended learning for all ages



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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. 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](mailto:haconcommunities@gmail.com) or through facebook and Instagram – *but that's not live yet* keep an eye on <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=connected%20communities%20headington>

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## OXFORD FOLK FESTIVAL Friday 19 – Sunday 21 April <https://www.oxfordfolkfestival.org.uk/>

A very full weekend of live music and dance around Oxford – some ticketed but much of it FREE

Find it at : the Weston Room at The Bodleian Library, the Old Fire Station, The Covered Market, Jericho Tavern, Blackwells' Norrington Room and Upper Meeting Room, The Tap Social in the Covered Market, the Friends Meeting House, St Barnabas Church, the Blue Room at St Aldate's Tavern, St Michael in the Northgate Church, The North Wall, Common Ground, and the Westgate Library, on the streets and in sundry pubs

<https://linktr.ee/oxfordfolkfest>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/656708006485892>

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## OXFORD UNIVERSITY MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

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

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

Explore the regular trails and handling sessions at the Natural History, Pitt Rivers, Ashmolean, History of Science Museums, Weston (Bodleian) Library and Botanic Garden and Harcourt Arboretum plus seasonal trails for the Easter holiday

*drop-in, no booking required for*

*Natural History Museum, Parks Road, OX1 3PW*

**SCIENCE SATURDAYS** every week 2.00-4.00

**FAMILY FRIENDLY SUNDAYS** every week 2.00-4.00

nature-themed activity backpacks, crafts, family-friendly trails, and more - all provided by Museum volunteers

<https://www.oumnh.ox.ac.uk/events>

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## EARTH DAY 2024

Earth Day is an international annual event on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First held on April 22, 1970, it now includes a wide range of events coordinated globally by [Earthday.org](http://Earthday.org) involving 1 billion people in more than 193 countries. The official theme for 2024 is 'PLANET VS. PLASTICS'.

## OXFORD EARTH DAY 2024: PLANET VS. PLASTICS Saturday 27 April

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

For this Earth Day, 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 20 April, 18 May, 15 June 10.00-12.00 come to just one or book them all!

£12 adult, £8 child

<https://hill-end.org/news/bushcraft-saturday/>

### FFENNEL 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 skills – 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/>

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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 tickets available 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.

**NATURE CLUB – TREE TIME – CELEBRATING EARTH DAY Saturday 20 April for ages 5-9**

Em'bark' on a woodland adventure to celebrate Earth Day! Discover the amazing world of TREES at this Nature Club. Get crafty and decorate a natural wood magnet, badge, necklace or keyring to take home, and go on a tree scavenger hunt in our woodland. Trees purify our air and combat climate change – find out how they trap carbon, and what happens after they die. How can you tell which are the oldest without chopping them down? Learn some clever tree-ckery and find out! Identify your Ash from your Oak with a leaf ID guide and twig spotter, play woodland games and have a tree-mendous time.

<https://scienceoxford.com/whats-on/tree-time/>

**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/>

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**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](mailto: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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**HEALTH PROMOTION EVENT**

**Barton Neighbourhood Centre, Underhill Circus, OX3 9LS**

Thursday 25 April 1.00-4.00 .

The event will be joined by numerous health organisations, each dedicated to offering invaluable information and guidance on various health-related topics.

From insightful discussions to valuable advice about health, this event aims to empower residents with the knowledge and tools to understand what local services and activities are available to improve their overall health and well-being.

**Transport support** Please note that the BCA (Barton Communication Association) has offered their minibus to transport people within the Barton, Sandhills and Risinghurst area to the event. If you or anyone you know would like this service, please **contact Sue via email [sue@bartoncommunityassociation.com](mailto:sue@bartoncommunityassociation.com) or telephone 07866 460 446.**

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**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](mailto:madeleine.fowler@achieveoxfordshire.org.uk)

<https://achieveoxfordshire.org.uk/services/gloji-energy>

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**LITTLE EXPLORERS**

<https://littleexplorers.com/little-explorers/>

A highly recommended website with ideas for family activities and visits – many of them free and outdoors

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**GO ACTIVE OUTDOORS**

<https://www.oxford.gov.uk/goactiveoutdoors>

**GO ACTIVE FAMILIES**

<https://www.oxford.gov.uk/goactivefamilies>

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