

Early Help Community News

Bringing you the best community highlights happening across Southend

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May Half Term



Hello

May half term is here, the weather is looking great and Southend is blooming.

If you need a bit of inspiration to get outside or are looking for a new place to explore then check out www.visitsouthend.co.uk/parksgardens

As usual Visit Southend has got you covered with a whole host of activities and events www.visitsouthend.co.uk/whatson

To find out what is happening day to day in and around South Essex, check out mums guide to mumsguideto.co.uk/southend

Did you know

Southend city councils short break grants is now open for eligible families, click the link for all the details.

[2025/26 Children's Short Breaks grants | Livewell Southend](#)

Support for Families with Disabled Children (SFDC) grant

The SFDC programme supports families living in England who are raising a disabled child or young person. It is funded by the Department for Education and administered by Family Fund.

The grant programme opens at midday on 7 May 2025.

www.familyfund.org.uk/grants

Have you subscribed to the Southend SEND Partnership Newsletter It is packed full of the latest news and activities from a range of partners across the city.

www.livewellsouthend.com/send-local-offer

View the latest Newsletter [here](#)

ATF

Beach Days

25th April
10:00 - 13:00

29th April
10:00 - 13:00

8th May
11:30 - 14:30

16th May
10:00 - 13:00

22nd May
11:30 - 14:30

2nd June
09:30 - 12:30

13th June
10:00 - 13:00

23rd June
11:30 - 14:30

Crabbing
Digging for jewels
Beach Yoga
Assault Courses
Games
Singing & Dancing
Scavenger Hunts
Sandcastle Comps
Arts & Crafts
Rock Painting
Fishing Games
Story Time
Scarf Dancing
Bubbles
Park Play
And more.....

**Location - Southend On Sea
seafront in-between The
Sealife Centre & The Pier
where the little beach park
is also near the
water fountains.
Everyone Welcome**

SAVS
Southend Area Voluntary Services

Please bring your
own picnic



FAMILY HISTORY

Drop-in Event



**Saturday 31st May, 10am - 2pm
at The Forum**

Thinking of researching your family tree?
Need help understanding your DNA results?
Not sure how to progress your research further?

Come along to this free family history drop-in event, conducted
by expert members of the **Essex Society for Family History**.
All welcome - just drop by!



The Forum
Elmer Square
Southend-on-Sea
Essex SS1 1NS

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ENTER A FANTASTICAL WORLD THIS HALF-TERM..

Southchurch Library
Thursday 29th May
9am - 1pm & 2pm - 4pm
Price TBD

JOIN US TO CREATE YOUR VERY OWN MYTHICAL PET!



Age 4+ with Parent Supervision



Southchurch Library
221 Lifstan Way
Southend-on-Sea
Essex SS1 2XG

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Inflatable Fun Day | Southchurch

Southchurch Park

Monday, 26 May 2025 11.30 am to 4.30 pm

fixr.co/event/inflatable-fun-day-southchurch-park



Inflatable Fun Day | Priory Park

Priory Park

Tuesday, 27 May 2025 11.30 am to 4.30 pm

fixr.co/event/inflatable-fun-day-priory-park

Inflatable Fun Day | Chalkwell

Chalkwell Park

Thursday, 29 May 2025 11.30 am to 4.30 pm

fixr.co/event/inflatable-fun-day-chalkwell-park

Ellis Leisure will be hosting their Inflatable Fun Days for children of all ages (however aimed at children of ages 4-11 years old) with a dedicated section for toddler (recommend ages of 1-3 years old).

They will be providing a wide range of inflatables from 70ft assault courses, ginormous inflatable slides, large bouncy castles, large football dart board and a variety of inflatable games including our popular Rock and Roll Gladiator Duel for those feisty few! There will also be a separate area specifically for toddlers and those who are less confident and/or disabled. This area will contain smaller inflatables and a range of soft play.

The event organisers cap the number of attendees at this event so to ensure that you don't miss out it is advised that you book your tickets now! As this event is capped, each individual does require a ticket. Any spectators will require an adult ticket.

Mega fun day Garons Friday 30th May

11.30am – 4pm



Imagine stepping onto Garon Park, now transformed into a colossal outdoor inflatable arena, towering slides big bouncy castles and challenging assault courses that inspire the spirit of adventure. Every jump, every slide, and every bounce is a burst of fun.

During the event, Garon Park will be transformed into a huge inflatable arena, providing loads of space for a day of ultimate fun. Children aged up to 11 years old, along with their families, are invited to join in the excitement.

In addition to the thrilling equipment like slides, bounce castles, and assault courses, there will be a children's entertainer performing magic, leading a disco, organizing games, and more! It's fantastic that all of this is included in the entry price.

The Mega Fun Day is perfect for primary school-age children from 2 to 11 years old, ensuring there's something for everyone. We have put together a wide range of attractions and activities to create a fabulous day out for the whole family. Come and Slide down our Slide, Bounce on our Castles, Squeeze through our Fun Runs and enjoy the rest that is on offer in our giant inflatable arena at Garon Park.

Tickets [Buy tickets – Southend Mega Fun Day - Fri 30th May – Garon Park](#)

Circus Zyair

Priory Park

Tuesday 20 - Monday 26 May 2025

Fearless acrobats and daredevil stuntmen guarantee maximum thrills by risking life and limb daily for your entertainment. The dazzling combination of high energy, jaw dropping talent and electric atmosphere promises a magical and unforgettable experience for the whole family.

Are you ready to Zyair?

Book your tickets here— circus-zyair.co.uk

**Paint your own Bath Bomb
or Plaster of Paris Icecream
Painting**



At The Home and Beauty Room

9 FairFax Drive - Westcliff

Next Door to Skia Fos Studio

May Half Term

Monday 26th - 10 til 2

Tuesday 27th 10 til 2

Thursday 29th 10 til 5pm

Friday 30th 9 til 5pm

Saturday 31st 9 til 5pm

£5 per person

Book a space today

www.thehomeandbeautyroom.co.uk

Maximum 4 people per session

must be accompanied by an Adult

Not Suitable for Children under 3 years old



MAY HALF TERM HAPPINESS



All day, 7 days a week, same amazing venue.

Where YOU get to chill, whilst the children do their thing!



*Numbers are limited to ensure our **100%** relaxed vibe!*

Book online for guaranteed entrance

We recommend 2 hours as the kids never want to leave!

Under 1's £5.00, Aged 1-18 £10.99 per child.

Up to two free adults per booking.

One hour sessions also available.



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