**IN THE COMMUNITY**

NEWSLETTER

**LIBRARIES**

***MANCHESTER CENTRAL LIBRARY***

**Manchester Day 2024- 27 Jul 2024- 10:00 — 16:00 (Free)**

Come and meet us at Central Library on Manchester’s special day. This year’s theme is Sports and Olympics. There will be something for everyone and you may also sign up for our Summer Reading Challenge! Suitable for children and families.

**Italian Storytime- 27 Jul 2024- 11:30 — 12:00 (Free)**

Our monthly sessions are interactive and fun, involving a blend of themed stories, rhymes, and a final craft activity. Learn new phrases whilst gesturing, chanting, and singing. We can’t wait to meet you! Suitable for children aged 4–7.

**There are some great libraries in the local area with lots to do for all ages including digital skill up workshops, story time for under 5s, age friendly hours. To find your local library visit:**

[***Libraries | Manchester City Council***](https://www.manchester.gov.uk/directory/14/libraries)

Do you have any children under 5? The Sure Start Centres offer groups and services to support families and pregnant people.

**MOUNT ROAD –** 18 Mount Road, M18 7BG

**LONGSIGHT FAMILY HUB**– 1a Farrer Road, Longsight, M13 0QX

**ARDWICK** – Lower Ground Floor, Medlock Primary School, Wadeson Road, Ardwick, M13 9UJ

**SACRED HEART FAMILY HUB-** Glencastle Road, Gorton, M18 7NE

**LEVENSHULE-** 1 Broom Avenue, M19 2UH

**ST JAMES-** Stelling Street, M18 8LW

Have a look at your local [*Children’s Centre’s ‘What’s on’*](https://hsm.manchester.gov.uk/kb5/manchester/directory/results.page?directorychannel=1-2-4) Guide for more information.

**SURE START CHILDREN’S CENTRES**

**Things to know…**

[***Hide Out Youth Zone***](https://www.hideoutyouthzone.org/) ***Located in Belle Vue***

***Somewhere safe to go- Something positive to do- Someone trusted to talk to…***

Youth Zone dedicated to providing opportunities and experiences to all local young people. The Youth Zone is open to young people aged 8-19 and up to 25 for those with additional needs. It offers a place where young people can make new friends, take part in activities, chill out, play sports, or try something new.

[***Moss Side Millennium Powerhouse***](https://msmpowerhouse.org.uk/about-us/) ***Empowering Young People to achieve their potential’.***

A Multi Service Youth Hub for central Manchester and home to a range of services for Young People which include; Mental health, Careers advice and guidance, specialist programmes for young people 16-19. Ther is a Library for Young People, Sports sessions, Arts & Crafts, Youth Club, Music, and Drama sessions. They have meeting/training rooms, a sports hall, Dance studio, Music studio. We provide a space *for young people to feel comfortable with a wide range of services under one roof.*

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN**

**CITY CENTRE**

[***Science+ Industry Museum***](https://www.scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk/whats-on?page=0)

**20th July- 1st September**

Put science under the microscope and discover hidden spaces this summer. Enjoy a programme of free, hands-on fun and live science shows for all ages.

**Please visit the website to book your place and have Family Fun!**

[***Giant Summer Sandpit Fun!***](https://www.visitmanchester.com/event/the-great-northern-giant-summer-sandpit/37999101/)

**Looking to get the children out of the house and to engage in some fun,** Great Northern Warehouse’s iconic amphitheatre has reopened its newly redesigned playhouse and ever popular giant sandpit this week for families to enjoy throughout the summer.

[***Manchester Museum***](https://www.museum.manchester.ac.uk/whats-on/?cpage=1)

**Wondrous & WILD- Connect with your wild side this summer! Tuesday 30 July to Friday 30 August.**

Join us for a creative line-up of FREE hands-on family activities inspired by our new exhibition- **WILD**.

[***Manchester Day 2024***](https://www.visitmanchester.com/event/manchester-day-2024/33204101/)

Between 12noon and 6pm on Saturday 27 July, the city centre will turn into Manchester’s biggest-ever playground this summer when Manchester Day: Let the Games Begin! rolls into town.

Inspired by an international summer of sport, join them for a day of free family-friendly fun. They're taking pop-up performances, astounding acrobatics and have-a-go activities to the streets.

[**PLAYTIME Carnival-**](https://www.whitworth.manchester.ac.uk/getinvolved/families/playtime/?utm_medium=culturehosts&utm_source=Culture+Hosts+Wordpress+2022&utm_campaign=Playtime+Carnival+)FREE, Drop-in sessions
Wednesdays, Thursday and Fridays 1pm-4pm. Plus a weekend PLAYTIME Carnival, on Saturday 17 August, 1pm-4pm.

This summer the carnival comes to the Whitworth!

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE AREA**

[***Magic of Thailand Festival in Manchester***](https://loadstodo.co.uk/events/magic-of-thailand-festival-in-manchester/)

***10 August 2024 - 11 August 202410:00am - 7:00pm- £5.00***

Experience a taste of Thailand at [**Platt Fields Park**](https://loadstodo.co.uk/venues/platt-fields-park/) this summer. With plenty for all ages to enjoy, Magic of Thailand is a brilliant way to find out more about Thai culture.

[***What’s on at Z arts-***](https://www.z-arts.org/see-whats-on/?when=next-month#whats-on)

**Summer of Stories-** Join us this August for free family-friendly fun, including storytelling and drop in Arts and Crafts!

Each week we will be inspired by and celebrate the work of a different author-

**Summer Stars – Summer Holiday Activity (ages 5-7)**

Tuesday 6 - Friday 9 August

*Unleash your inner star at our creative Summer Stars Holiday Club. For children on free school meals*

**National Play Day- Free**

Join us on August 7th, 2024, at Hulme Park for a magical event…

It’s a day of adventure, creativity, and endless fun for kids and families!

**Please visit the website for booking.**

[***Elizabeth’s Gaskell House-***](https://elizabethgaskellhouse.co.uk/events/easter-family-fun/) **Summer of Fun!**

**Summer is here again so bring everyone along for family fun over the school holidays.**

Family craft activities are included in admission and this summer they have a theme of Games and Toys. There's a new craft every two weeks so the kids can try their hand at mask-making, optical illusions or puppets.

 Adults Entry £7.50 children free with adult.

[***National Play Day in Manchester - Loads To Do***](https://loadstodo.co.uk/guides/play-day/)

National Playday is a celebration of children’s right to play, and the vital benefits of play for children’s health, happiness, and creativity. **Please visit the website to find the closest venue for activities.**

Check out [Loads To Do](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMjAsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vbG9hZHN0b2RvLmNvLnVrLz91dG1fY29udGVudD0mdXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fbmFtZT0mdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSZ1dG1fdGVybT0iLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjQwNzEwLjk3Mzg0MDMxIn0.RQdL5hXzeJqMDT1OoHDGOvzB6cOIzTXhZfilb7vvcy0%2Fs%2F3061092524%2Fbr%2F245469270564-l&data=05%7C02%7Cambreen.hajazi%40manchester.gov.uk%7C47511ff178414c52810808dca0c6380f%7Cb0ce7d5e81cd47fb94f7276c626b7b09%7C0%7C0%7C638562023051015722%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=igmXMFlF40iVdvPKKnsIIshaHqxsNkZN%2FhJwVb1ozLY%3D&reserved=0) for what's going on in your local area and across the city during the summer holidays. There's plenty on offer across parks, sports, libraries, galleries and more.



[***FREE SWIMMING***](https://loadstodo.co.uk/events/free-swimming-in-manchester/)

There are lots of family friendly swimming sessions across the city. There are free sessions during the school holidays for children under 16 when with a paying adult (£2.90 with a MCR Active card).

[***Manchester Active Free School Holiday Activity****.*](file:///%5C%5Cmcc.local%5Cusers%24%5C003%5Chajazia%5CMy%20Documents%5CKSOW%5CSchools%5CNewsletter%5CManchester%20Active%20Free%20School%20Holiday%20Activity)

Manchester Active are offering FREE school holiday activities from sport and physical activities, arts and crafts and sometimes can include a variety of day trips. Places are available for children eligible for free school meals and those with no recourse to public funds.

**For information on what’s available visit the website.**