

PORTISHEAD YOUTH CENTRE

Dear Parent/Guardian

Portishead Youth Centre February Holiday Scheme

I am writing to let you know that we are taking bookings for our February Holiday Scheme for 2022!

The Scheme will run for every day throughout the February Half Term holiday,
Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February 2022

If you need to get to work, you will be able to drop your child off at 8.30am and collect them as late as 5.30pm each day. The cost each day will be £33 to include lunch from The Café from our normal children's menu. You will be able to book half days if this suits you better, with a half day being 8.30am – 1pm or 1pm-5.30pm and this will cost £15 (no lunch provided).

Special Trips and extra activities

We have lots of exciting activities planned for the week. We will have all our usual activities in centre such as arts and crafts, baking, sports and team games. Alongside these we have a trip to Avon Valley Wildlife Park and we have the opportunity to help a local farm to begin growing an orchard. The children will be able to join in helping them to plant trees as well as having a look round the farm at all the animals and take part in wide games and activities in the woods.



Monday 21st February (all day) Avon Valley Wildlife Park

Come and join us for a fun filled day having at Avon Valley Wildlife Park. With a huge range of animals and a large wooden adventure area to play on, there is so much for us to do there! Please ensure your child comes with a packed lunch, plenty to drink, appropriate clothing and footwear and a waterproof coat!

Brown Rock Farm, Woodland Project

We have such an exciting opportunity to help a local farm in Tickenham to plant an orchard! Join us as we help plant some new trees, visit the farm animals on site including sheep, pigs and horses as well as the farm's friendly dog. During the day there will be chances to play games in the woods and play sport on the farm. Please ensure your child comes with a packed lunch, appropriate clothing for visiting a farm and a change of footwear for coming back to the centre. Wellies essential!



If your child is required to take any medication (including Asthma inhalers) please include this on your booking form.

Any days where trips/off site activities take place (and are labelled ALL DAY) – there will be no café or half day option on these days (please see booking form for more details).

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COVID measures

Our Holiday Scheme activities have been planned in line with National Youth Agency and Holiday, After School Clubs and Other Out of School Settings Government guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.nya.org.uk/> and <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protective-measures-for-holiday-or-after-school-clubs-and-other-out-of-school-settings-for-children-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/protective-measures-for-holiday-and-after-school-clubs-and-other-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak#main-changes-to-this-guidance>.

Our current delivery plans are as follows:

- Where possible, each child will be provided with their own arts and crafts, cooking or sports activity equipment to reduce contact through sharing of resources.
- Frequent outdoor games will be planned throughout the day (weather permitting) to ensure that children get fresh air at regular intervals.
- Children aged 11+ will be required to wear a face covering on transport unless medically exempt.
- To keep everyone as safe as possible, we encourage all children to maintain good hand hygiene and we also ask for them to keep a safe distance from each other and staff as much as possible.
- Further details can be found in our risk assessments here: https://portisheadyouthcentre.co.uk/club_and_group/holiday-scheme/

For the safety of our staff and other Holiday Scheme members, your child must not attend any sessions if they are displaying any Coronavirus symptoms. Please be aware that if your child starts to show symptoms of Coronavirus whilst at Holiday Scheme, you will need to come and collect your child immediately, self-isolate and arrange testing. The personal information you supply on your child's booking form will be used to support the Government's Track and Trace system if needed.

If your child has been engaging in regular home lateral flow testing (secondary school aged children), continuing this whilst attending Holiday Scheme for additional safety of other children and our staff would be very much appreciated.

There will be a limited number of places available for the Scheme so book early to avoid disappointment! We have worked very hard to put together a programme of fun activities and day trips that we hope your child(ren) will enjoy, as safely as possible, during this challenging time.

If you have any questions or would like any other information regarding the activities, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Steph Forrest
Youth Engagement Worker