


As well as the events below, don't forget to check out further activities and things to do on www.solihull.gov.uk/familyinfo

Please note: The below activities are not registered or regulated by Solihull Family Information Service. It is your responsibility to ensure you are happy that the activities are safe and appropriate for your child.

North Solihull (and surrounding areas)

Date(s)	Activity	Price	Time	Suitable age
Marston Green Parish Hall Elmdon Road, Marston Green, Solihull B37 7BT Website: www.marstongreenparishhall.co.uk				
 Sat 16 Mar	St Patricks Day - Family Disco. Come along and join in the fun as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day with all the family! Let the kids burn some energy on the dance floor playing games and winning prizes while you enjoy drink from the bar! There will be a special guest appearance and a fancy dress competition for the kids! Tickets will go on sale closer to the time or subscribe and we will let you know when they are available.	£4 under 2's go free	5.30pm - 8.30pm	All ages
Chelmsley Wood Shopping Centre Chelmsley Wood, Solihull B37 5TS Tel: 0121 770 1775 Website: www.chelmsleywoodshopping.co.uk				
Sun 31 Mar (Mother's Day)	An Autism Friendly Environment! On the last Sunday of every month, we help to provide a more comfortable shopping experience for anyone with autism or other special needs, by turning off the centre music and asking our retailers to do what they can to help support our sensory visits. Sensory Sunday's allows shoppers with sensory impairments to access the centre in a more comfortable atmosphere and in a way that their needs are either met, or at least understood by the centre and retailers.	N/A	10.30am - 5pm	All ages
Castle Bromwich Hall and Gardens Chester Road, Castle Bromwich, Solihull, B36 9BT Tel: 0121 749 4100 Website: www.castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk				
Throughout March	Activities in the garden for families. The Holly Maze is a perennial favourite. Why not play hide and seek among the low box hedges in the lower wilderness, or run up and down the corner mounds and wave at the Sphinx. Outside the walls are 3 ponds – can you spot froglets in the Spring, Damsel flies in the sunshine and reed mace around the North Pond?	See website	See website	All ages

Libraries...

Date(s)	Activity	Price	Time	Suitable age
Castle Bromwich Library Hurst Lane North, Castle Bromwich, Solihull B36 0EY Tel: 0121 747 3708				
Tues 12 & 26 March	Story time Come along with your pre-school child to enjoy stories, rhymes and the percussion instruments. Two Tuesdays per month.	FREE	2.15pm - 2.45pm (Term time only)	Under 5s
Mon	Rhyme time Every Monday alternating. A short interactive session for babies and very young children (0-2) which includes finger & action rhymes and songs. Also a chance to meet other mums and carers.	FREE	10.45am - 11.05am or 2.30pm - 2.50pm	0 - 2 years
Chelmsley Wood Library 10 West Mall, Chelmsley Wood Shopping Centre, Solihull B37 5TN Tel: 0121 788 4380				
Mon	Story time Half an hour of stories, songs and colouring.	FREE	2pm (term time only)	Under 5s
Mon	Code Club Do you have a favourite computer game? Would you like to learn how to make your own computer games? At Code Club you will learn how to make cool games, animations and websites too! Drop-in session, Contact library staff to find out more details.	FREE	4pm - 5pm (term time only)	8 - 12 years
Fri	Play & Stay - Wise Owls A weekly play and stays and monthly Story & Rhyme times for the under.	FREE	10.00am (term time only)	Under 5s
22-Mar	March Fergus The farmyard dog stories and craft.	FREE	10am	under 5s
Tuesdays	Owlets - Play & Stay A free weekly Play and Stays. Suitable for under 3s.	FREE	10am (term time only)	Under 3s
Kingshurst Library Marston Drive, Kingshurst, Solihull B37 6BD Tel: 0121 770 3451				
	Rhyme time A short interactive session for babies and very young children that includes finger & action rhymes and songs. Also a chance to meet other mums and carers. Once a fortnight on Tuesdays.	FREE	10.15am - 10.45am	0 - 2 years
Marston Green Library Land Lane, Solihull B37 7DQ Call: 0121 779 2131				
Mon	Story Time No need to book. Just pop along with your little ones for half an hour of stories, rhymes, songs and colouring.	FREE	2.30pm - 3pm (term time only)	Under 5s

<p>Mon 4, 11, 18, and 25 Mar</p>	<p>Solihull Striders & Strollers Meeting at 10.15am for a 10.30am departure. These free walks are in the Marston Green area and are led by trained volunteers. No need to book, just turn up. Refreshments provided afterwards. Walks last up to an hour. The routes are mostly flat, even and accessible to all participants regardless of physical ability. All age groups are welcome, even little ones in pushchairs. The walks are suitable for everyone but if you are unsure, please come along and find out more details. The volunteers will be available to answer any questions or concerns you may have.</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>10.15am</p>	<p>All ages</p>
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South Solihull (and surrounding areas)

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The Core Theatre Solihull Theatre Square, Touchwood, Homer Road Solihull B91 3RG
Tel: 0121 704 6962 (Box Office)
Website: www.thecoretheatresolihull.co.uk

Solihull BookFest 2019

<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>Kate's Storytree Family, children & young people Drop in any time during the day for stories and imaginative play!</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>All day</p>	<p>All ages</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>Pop-Up BookFest Bookshop Books relating to BookFest events will be on sale at our pop-up BookFest Book Shop in the foyer of The Core Theatre.</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>All day</p>	<p>All ages</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>BookFest Does your bedroom bookcase need a revamp? Then BookSwap is for you! Just bring along an old children's book and swap it for a new favourite at Solihull BookFest's Book Swap Stall. All books donated should be good quality, and in good condition. Happy Reading.</p> <p>Also for one day only, the whole family can enjoy celebrating stories and story-making together So what will you choose? Will you join the amazing illustrator of the Harry Potter story books and former pirate Jonny Duddle for Illustrating Harry Potter (age 6+) or Pirates! (age 3+).</p> <p>Or, will you choose to meet and see the illustrator of Hetty Feather and Tracey Beaker who is also the genius behind the You Choose books - the lovely and super-talented Nick Sharratt. Nick is our festival patron and will be delighting younger fans with You Choose in Space (age 3+) and older readers with Nice Work for the Cat & the King (age 6+).</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>All day</p>	<p>All ages</p>

<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>Trapdoor Mystery Books If you like mystery stories, then this one is for you! Enter the secret passages and hidden doorways of Mollett Manor. Design your own trapdoor puzzle - how would you lock it and what would you keep behind it? This exciting plotting workshop is based on The Trapdoor Mysteries series. Learn how to capture a reader's interest, and develop a story, which you can write up at home afterwards.</p>	<p>£4</p>	<p>12pm - 1pm</p>	<p>8 years +</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>Nick Cope's Big Sing-Along! With his exuberant and entirely original songs about stranded hedgehogs, redundant robots, headlice, the plight of the polar bears and honey bees, Nick Cope is a huge BookFest favourite. If you haven't heard his songs or seen his shows before come and find out what you're missing. Giggles guaranteed!</p>	<p>£4</p>	<p>1pm - 1.45pm and 3pm - 3.45pm</p>	<p>2 - 6 years</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>I Am here, Where Are You? Solihull author Anita Jones has created a fabulour book to show children their place in the world - from the room we're in, the street, the town, the city, country, continent even what we look like from space!</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>10am - 11am</p>	<p>4 years +</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>Illustrating Harry Potter What's it like to be asked to illustrate one of the best-selling books of all time? Come and hear Jonny Duddles funny and fascinating story... and learn to draw Dobby the Elf. Perfect for Harry Potter fans and for young artists who want to learn from a pro.</p>	<p>£5</p>	<p>3pm</p>	<p>6 years +</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>Nice Work for the Cat and the King The Royal Moneybox is almost empty and the king has to get a job. But what kind of job would be fit for a king? Butcher? Baker? Candlestick Maker? It takes many comical disasters before both cat and king find the right job for them.</p>	<p>£5</p>	<p>1.30pm</p>	<p>5 years +</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>Pirates! Ahoy Landlubbers! Jonny Duddle will be reading and drawing pictures from his latest Pirates Next Door Adventure; The Pirates of Scurvy Sands. Join Matilda and Jim Lad as they escape Dull-on-Sea for brilliant adventures. A must for all would-be pirates and children are very welcome to dress as Pirates!</p>	<p>£5</p>	<p>11.39am -12.30pm</p>	<p>3 years +</p>
<p>SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar</p>	<p>You Choose in Space Extravaganza Every child's bookcase should contain a You Choose book to fire up their imaginations. Get ready for an adventure that is out of this world! Travel to "Planet Pick-and-Mix" to encounter friendly aliens, awesome animals and funny food. Watch Nick Sharratt bring spacehips and moon buggies to life in this entertaining live draw-along show.</p>	<p>£5</p>	<p>10am - 11am</p>	<p>4 years+</p>
<p>Tue</p>	<p>Homework Club Tuesdays with designated staff to support children.</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>3:45pm - 5.15pm (term time only)</p>	<p>8 years+</p>
<p>Mon</p>	<p>Story Times - Mondays.</p>	<p>FREE</p>	<p>2pm - 2.30pm (term time only).</p>	<p>Under 5s</p>

Wed	Rhyme Time A short interactive session that includes finger & action rhymes and songs. Come along and meet up with other parents/carers and discover what the library can offer your child.	FREE	10.15am - 10.30am (term time only)	0 - 2 years
Fri	Meet and Play Sessions offer the chance for young families to meet up, relax, chat, play, sing or make music together! The session is for families, led by families. Toys and musical instruments are provided.	FREE	10.15am - 11.15am (term time only)	0 - 2 years

Solihull Christian Fellowship The Bridge, 234 Stratford Road, Shirley B90 3AG
Website: www.scfchurch.org.uk

	Next Steps First Monday of the month An informal drop-in group where parents and carers will have opportunity to meet with NHS health visiting and infant feeding teams. A relaxed café style group where you can ask questions about all aspects of feeding (breast or bottle), starting solid food, returning to work, sleep and other baby and toddler-related issues. We meet in the Children's room (access via entrance opposite the park play area). Siblings welcome and refreshments provided.	FREE	9:30 am – 10:30 am	Babies and Pre-school
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Libraries...

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Balsall Common Library 283 Kenilworth Road, Balsall Common CV7 3EL
Tel: 01676 532590

Mon 4, 11, 18 and 25 Mar	Tales and Time to Make Join us for a story, followed by a simple craft and messy play. Warm water to wash hands is provided, but we recommend wearing clothes that can get messy. Suitable for preschool children.	FREE	11am - 11.30am	Suitable for pre-school children
Mon	Tales and Time to Make Bring your little ones for a story followed by a chance to play, sing, chat and relax with other young families. Suitable for pre-school children, toys and musical instruments are provided	FREE	2:15pm – 3.00pm	Suitable for pre-school children
Tue	Rhyme Time An interactive session sharing rhymes and songs. Come along with your babies and toddlers and enjoy listening to happy songs and rhymes with actions and percussion instruments.	FREE	2.15pm - 2.45pm	Suitable for pre-school children
Tues 12 & 26 Mar	Self-run Striders and Strollers Meet for free walks in the Balsall Common area led by a trained walk leader and enjoy a cuppa afterwards. The routes are mostly flat, even and accessible to all participants regardless of physical ability. If you are unsure, please come along and talk to the walk leader, who will be available to answer any questions or concerns. All ages are welcome, no need to book, just turn up.	FREE	10.15am	All ages

SPECIAL EVENT Sat 9 Mar	Drama Tots Presents A Storytelling Adventure. Don't forget to dress as your favourite book character!	FREE	11am - 11.30am	18 months - 4yrs
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Dickens Heath Library Old Dickens Heath Road, Dickens Heath, Solihull B90 1SD
Tel: 0121 744 6078

Mon	Rhymetimes A fun session of action rhymes and songs.	FREE	2pm - 2.30pm (term time only)	0 - 2 years
	Tea & Tots Every other Thursday of the month A chance for mums, dads, grans and carers to meet for a cuppa and a chat whilst the toddlers play. Occasional guest speakers may also attend.	FREE	2pm - 3pm	Under 5s
	Lego Club Last Saturday of the month. Come along for some Lego fun.	FREE	2pm onwards	5 - 9 years

Hampton in Arden Library 39 Fentham Road, Hampton in Arden, Solihull B92 0AY
Tel: 01675 442629

	Storytimes Fortnightly on Tuesdays. Stories and crafts for all pre-school children. Contact the library for dates.	FREE	1.45pm - 2.15pm	Under 5s
	The Great Storybook Journey Fortnightly on Fridays. A story for under 5s about a new place or environment, followed by painting pictures for our Great Storybook Journey wall display. Warm water is provided to wash hands, but wearing clothes that can get messy is recommended. Contact the library for dates.	FREE	1.45pm - 2.15pm	Under 5s

Hobs Moat Library Ulleries Road, Solihull B92 8EB
Tel: 0121 743 4592

Thurs	Under 5s Story Session 'Little Hobbits' Thursdays. Join the 'Little Hobbits' and sing along with rhymes before listening to stories and enjoying colouring with your pre school children.	FREE	10am - 10.45am (term time only)	Under 5s
16 Mar	Daddy Rhyme Time Monthly on Saturdays. This is a special time of enjoyment and bonding for you and your child. Come along and meet with other fathers and male carers for a chat. Refreshments are provided. Please contact for more details.	FREE	10.30am - 11am	Under 5s
4 Mar	Animal Antics Our new pre-school children's activity takes place on the first Monday of the month. We'll read stories about a new animal each session and the children can colour in a picture of the animal also every time you come to the library you can collect a paw print for your Animal Collector Card.	FREE	10.15 - 11am	Under 5s

8 Mar & 22 Mar	<p>Striders and Strollers Meeting at 10.15am for a 10.30am departure. These free walks are in the Hobs Moat area and are led by trained volunteers. No need to book, just turn up. Refreshments provided afterwards. Walks last up to an hour. The walks are suitable for everyone all age groups are welcome, even little ones in pushchairs, but if you are unsure, please come along and find out more details. The volunteers will be able to answer any questions or concerns you may have.</p>	FREE	10.15am	All ages
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Knowle Library Chester House, 1667-1669 High Street, Knowle, Solihull B93 0LL
Tel: 01564 775840

Mon	<p>Monday Storytime This new activity will run fortnightly. It is aimed at preschool children. Join us for stories and rhymes. Please contact library for dates.</p>	FREE	10.30am - 11am	Under 5s
Fri	<p>Rhyme Time Every Friday afternoon. Bring your little ones along for a fun half hour of songs, action rhymes and musical instruments.</p>	FREE	2pm - 2.30pm (term time only)	Under 5s

Meriden Library Arden Cottage, The Green, Meriden CV7 7LN
Tel: 01676 522717

Mon	<p>Reading Zoo Our weekly story and painting session where we read a story about an animal and then all paint pictures of that animal. Please note: warm water to wash hands is provided but wearing clothes that can get messy is recommended.</p>	FREE	2.30pm - 3pm (Term time only)	Under 5s
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Olton Library 169A Warwick Road, Olton, Solihull B92 7AR
Tel: 0121 706 3038

Tue	<p>Storytime sessions Come along and enjoy listening to stories for your pre-school child in the company of other children and their families.</p>	FREE	2.15 pm - 2.45pm (Term time only)	Under 5s
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Shirley Library 22 Parkgate, Stratford Road, Shirley, Solihull B90 3GG
Tel: 0121 704 6300

Tue	<p>Rhyme Time For babies and toddlers on Tuesdays.</p>	FREE	10am - 10.30am (Term time only)	Under 5s
Wed	<p>Rhyme Time For babies and toddlers on Wednesdays.</p>	FREE	2pm - 2.30pm (Term time only)	Under 5s
Thurs	<p>Rhyme Time For babies and toddlers on Saturdays.</p>	FREE	11am - 11.30am (Term time only)	Under 5s

Thurs	Children's Code Club At Code Club you will learn how to make cool games and animations. Places are limited so speak to a member of the library staff or call us on 0121 704 6300 to book a place or join the waiting list.	FREE	5pm - 6pm (Term time only)	9 - 13 years
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Parks...

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The Parkridge Centre Brueton Park, Solihull B91 3HW

Tel: 0121 704 0768

Website: www.wkwt.org.uk/whats-on

Fri 1 Mar (Wicked Willow)	Nature Tots Nature Tots aims to encourage an early interest in wildlife. With this in mind, we hold activities outdoors, in the natural surroundings of our reserve at The Parkridge Centre. The session starts with fifteen minutes of free play, when everyone is here, when head outside to get stuck in with some wonderful activities based on that weeks theme, before returning to the centre to make an amazing craft to take home. There is a tearoom on site Tearoom where you can purchase refreshments after the Nature Tots session. Also available at Brandon Marsh Nature Centre (check website).	£3.50 per child See website for booking details	Mornings 10.30 - 12pm or Afternoons 1.30 - 3pm	2 - 4 years:
Thu 7 Mar (Magical Mystical Woods)				
Fri 15 Mar (Tiddly Widdly Tadpoles)				
Fri 22 Mar (Carrot Soup)				
Fri 29 Mar (5 Little Ducks)				

Birmingham City Centre & other areas...

Date(s)	Activity	Price	Time	Suitable age
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Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3DH

Tel: 0121 348 8038

Web: www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/bmag

Fri 22 Mar	Join us for our regular on gallery early years stay and play session. Creative, interactive and sensory play & fun with colours, textures and sounds. Designed for babies and toddlers aged 6 months to 2 years to play and interact with a parent or caregiver.	FREE	10.30am- 11.30am and 11.30am - 12.30pm	6 Months tp 2 years
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Town Hall Birmingham Victoria Square, Birmingham B3 3DQ


Tel: 0121 780 3333 (Box Office)

Website: www.thsh.co.uk

Wed 6 Mar	Midweek Explorer Take time out in a relaxing and friendly space with your little ones. Explore music, dance and story-telling whilst making new friends.	FREE	10.30am	Under 5s
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Sat 16 Mar	<p>The Girl, The Bear & The Magic Shoes Embark on an exciting adventure with a girl, a bear and some very special new shoes. See mermaids, unicorns and a whole host of glittering characters and sparkling stories come to life before your very eyes – then learn to draw them yourself!</p>	£9.50	10.30am	Under 9s
Fri 8 - 9 Mar	<p>The Circus Roll up, roll up – we're going to the circus! And at CBSO Centre that means laughter, fun, and all sorts of wonderful musical animals on parade. Performed by our unique mini-version of the CBSO, this concert is specially devised for the youngest members of the family. It's full of opportunities to wriggle, march around and sing and dance along. Everyone gets to take part! FREE craft activities take place from an hour before each concert. At the end there is also a chance to meet the musicians and see their instruments close up. Babies under 9 months old do not require a ticket.</p>	£8.30	<p>Fri 11am or 1.30pm</p> <p>Sat 11am, 1.30pm or 3.30pm</p>	

St. Patrick's Festival Birmingham 2018 Digbeth High Street, Birmingham
Website: www.stpatricksbirmingham.com

 <p>SPECIAL EVENT Sun 17 Mar</p>	<p>St Patrick's Day Parade - For 2019, the St Patrick's parade is on Sunday, March 17 - meaning for the first time in many years, it's actually on St Patrick's Day From Irish dancers to Caribbean dancers, Welsh dragons to Chinese dragons, the St Patrick's Festival has always been a vibrant celebration of multiculturalism. At 12 Noon to 2pm a confetti blast signals the start of the St Patrick's Parade, and another fun filled festival celebrating the culture and diversity of Birmingham.</p>	FREE	12:00pm - 2:00pm	All ages
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Birmingham Cathedral Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2QB
Tel: 0121 262 1840
Web: www.birminghamcathedral.com

Mar	<p>Little Pip Become a Little Pip and enjoy special events, community activities, learning programs all with a warm and unique welcome!</p>	FREE	For more information phone 0121 262 1840	All ages
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The Barber Institute of Fine Arts University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2TS
Tel: 0121 414 7333
Website: www.barber.org.uk

Sat 30 Mar	<p>Little Artists Early Years Storytelling & Craft Session Join Anna the Art Explorer for a discovery journey around the Barber! Search the gallery for clues, act out the stories behind the paintings, enter the art lab to explore colour, shape and texture - and create your own masterpiece!</p>	7 per child		3 - 4 years
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Birmingham Hippodrome Hurst Street, Southside, Birmingham, B5 4TB

Call: 0844 338 5000 (Tickets & Information)

Website: www.birminghamhippodrome.com

Mon until 25 Mar	<p>B'Opera This creates beautiful music for tiny ears through interactive performances for babies, toddlers and their grown-ups. In these classes we will explore how we can all use rhythm, movement, sound and our singing voices to bring a story to life. Join us in the Hippodrome foyers to start the week with a song!</p>	£2 per child	10.30am – 12 noon & 12 noon – 1.30pm (Term time only)	0 - 4 years
Tues until 26 Mar	<p>We're delighted to be collaborating with Birmingham Royal Ballet on a brand new First Steps Ballet Class as part of our Open Doors programme. These introductory classes make learning to dance a magical experience and is inspired by Birmingham Royal Ballet's pioneering stage show series First Steps. It's a chance for your child to learn new steps and movements, whilst gaining confidence in a fun and relaxing environment. This session is run by Rebecca Brookes.</p>	£2 per child	10.30am - 12pm (Term time only)	2 - 4 years
Fridays	<p>Drama Adventure Energetic and highly interactive drama adventures for pre-school children including movement, musicimaginative play and crafts. This session is run by Toni Midlane. Book online or call Information and Sales on 0844 338 5000*. There are 30 spaces available per session. You only need to book spaces for your little ones, not yourselves. Drama Adventures is part of our Open Doors programme – term-time fun for pre-school kids (and their adults).</p>	£2 per child	10.30am - 12pm (Term time only)	2 - 4 yrs

mac birmingham Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH (Foyle Studio)

Tel: 0121 446 3232

Website: www.macbirmingham.co.uk

Sun 31 Mar	<p>Rabbit Girl & The Search For Wonder Something impossible has happened, something no one saw coming. So Rabbit Girl and her Dad have done what they do best - pulled on their boots, packed their tent and headed off into the wilderness. Join them around the campfire to hear about some pretty awesome adventures from all over the world. Playful, poignant and with a little sprinkling of magic, Rabbit Girl & The Search for Wonder is a new show inspired by stories from lots of families about the joy of storytelling, coping with loss and finding wonder in the world again. Perfect for under 8s and their grown-ups too.</p>	£8 per child	11.30am and 1.30pm	4 - 8 years
Wed 13 Mar	<p>BAM Babies' Academy of Music The Academy of Music is a warm and interactive performance for babies, families and friends that celebrates music by sharing a host of instruments, styles, gentle movements and stimulating sounds. Book early to avoid disappointment.</p>	£3.50	10am, 11.30am & 3.30pm	up to 2 years

Thinktank Millennium Point, Curzon Street, Birmingham B4 7XG

Tel: 0121 348 8000

Website: www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/thinktank

Fri 01 Mar - Sun 31 Mar	Book into a LEGO Family Session where you and your family build together using Duplo and LEGO kits. The Session is designed to allow everyone the chance to build and be creative. Family competitions will include designing, making and testing the ultimate vehicle either in Duplo or LEGO, but there is a third option to free build with Giant Duplo, Duplo and LEGO as well.	£2	12.30pm, 13.30pm and 3pm	3 years +
Sat 9 Mar	Morning Explorers If you're an adult or child with sensory or special needs and you'd prefer a quieter visit to our museums, join us for one of our Morning Explorers sessions! Our museums will open early for you to explore with friends and family, in a quiet and welcoming environment.	£6.75 Adults & £4.70 Child Half price admission, plus one free carer.	9am -11am	3 years +

Sarehole Mill Cole Bank Road Birmingham, B13 0BD

Tel: 0121 348 8160

Website: <http://www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/sarehole>

23 & 24 Mar	Annual Tolkien Reading day Join us for a two day celebration as part of the annual Tolkien Reading day. What better way to spend a day than bringing your favourite Tolkien book to read at the place that inspired the young J.R.R Tolkien. We will have activities and talks over the two days as well as half price entry to the mill. So come along with friends and read together or find some quiet place and immerse yourself in Middle-earth or Wilderland	FREE Half price entry to the Mill £3 Adults £2 Concessions (Excludes over 60s) £1.50 Children	11am - 4pm	All ages
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Black Country Museum Black Country Living Museum, Tipton Road, Dudley, DY1 4SQ

0121 557 9643

<https://www.bclm.co.uk/whats-on.htm>

Sat 2 Mar & Sun 3 Mar	Pancakes We are celebrating Shrove Tuesday at the weekend with some good old fashioned pancakes. See pancakes being made over the stove in our homes, hear about the history of the tradition of flipping the batter mix and join in the pancake races - don't forget to toss your pancake before you start running if you want to be in with a chance to win! What topping will you have on yours? pop into our Workers Institute Cafe to enjoy a pancake lunch.	See website for details	11am - 4pm	All ages
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