

10th July 2026

Newsletter



Hello
July

Dates for Diary

JULY

10th End of Academic Year - School finishes at 2p.m. After school club is available until 4.15p.m

28th & 29th - Summer Camp with Chris

AUGUST

4th & 5th - Summer Camp with Chris

11th & 12th - Summer Camp with Chris

24th-25th - School INSET DAYS – Staff only
26th - school starts

SEPTEMBER

4th - School swimming resumes Year 4 & 5

A MESSAGE FROM

MR. GALLAGHER

As the academic year draws to a close, I look back with immense pride at the achievements of our children. Their hard work, joy, and optimism have been truly inspiring, and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them. Everything we do at St John Fisher CVA is centered on providing the best possible education, happiness, and opportunities for our students.

I want to extend my sincere thanks to all staff for their hard work, dedication, and unwavering commitment to providing an outstanding education for your children. Their passion and agility are truly inspiring, and I am proud to have them on the SJF team.

My gratitude also goes out to all parents and carers for your invaluable support this year. Our successes and ability to overcome challenges would not be possible without your cooperation and backing.

A special thank you to all our volunteers, including our dedicated reading, sports day and trip volunteers, for their time and patience.

Well done to our PTFA for their brilliant efforts. A new team building on strong foundations with great passion and ideas for our children.

Thank you all, and we look forward to continuing our work together from August. Enjoy your well-deserved break and take the opportunity to recharge.

Places in school

We have some places in classes for the next academic year in the following class: Year 1, Year 2 and possibly a couple of other classes. Every other year group is full and many have long waiting lists. If you know of any interested families or friends, let them know. They can contact the school office@stjohnfisher-wigston.leic.sch.uk or 0116 2882203.

Polite Reminder

A polite reminder to all parents that any outstanding debts for Breakfast Club, Afterschool club and school dinners must be paid before the end of the year. Parent accounts should be in credit before places are booked for Breakfast Club, After School Club or orders are placed for school dinners next half term.

Uniform

There is a lot of unclaimed lost uniform. If your child is missing a PE top, jumper etc., please contact the office. Remember to name and re-name regularly all uniform.

Summer Work

Children still have home access to our online subscriptions - times tables rockstars, Mathletics, and Reading Eggs over the summer. In your Maths No Problem workbooks too, there may be sections missed as we focused on the essential lessons within the topics – feel free to complete. Doing ‘little and often’ is ideal in preparation for the next academic year. Remember to read, read and read! We’d love to beat keep our record as the top reading school in the local area and our 40 participants record

NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR

Keep PE kits on PE days. We will continue with this for the upcoming year. We do remind everyone to keep to the uniform policy. In short, white polo shirts, navy shorts, or navy tracksuits. No branded items or colourful PE kits. We will let you know PE days on our return.

Reception to bring in PE Kits and change in school.

End of Year reports have been available on Arbor since Tuesday. You will find these under Report Cards.

Please ensure you have class dojo notifications on and regularly check your email. Please refrain from messaging staff on Class Dojo during the summer holidays.

School is open for all from Reception to Year 6 on Wednesday 26th August.

Breakfast club & After School Club resumes as normal on 26th August 2025. Please book via Arbor.

ROAD **SAFETY**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to share an important safety reminder following a concerning incident that occurred near the school gates on 2nd July at approx 3.10/3.15.

A young child unfortunately let go of their parent's hand, ran out onto Shenley road, and was very nearly hit by an oncoming car. While we are incredibly relieved that the child was not physically harmed, the incident involved a near-miss with an elderly couple driving by. The couple was left deeply shaken and traumatised by how close it came to a tragedy, and they have since been in touch with the school to express their concern.

At this stage, we have not been able to identify the family involved. However, rather than focusing on the specific family, we want to use this as a vital community reminder about road safety during the busy drop-off and pick-up times. The roads around our school get incredibly congested, and small children can move unpredictably in the blink of an eye. We ask that all parents and carers please reinforce the following safety measures with their children:

1. Hold hands tightly: Please ensure younger children are holding an adult's hand firmly at all times when walking near, or crossing, the roads outside the school.
2. Use safe crossing points: Always cross at the safe areas with clear lines of sight, even if it means walking a little further to get to your car.
3. Stop, Look, and Listen: Remind children that cars cannot always see them, especially when stepping out from between parked vehicles.

We all share the responsibility of keeping our children safe, and we also owe a duty of care to the neighbours and motorists who share our roads. Please take a few moments this evening to talk to your children about the importance of staying close to you when leaving the school gates. We will also be reminding children about this in assemblies next week.

Thank you for your immediate cooperation and support in keeping our St John Fisher school community safe.

Kind regards,
Mr Gallagher

Virtue Awards

Love

Be positive!
Smile.
Reassure others if they are sad.
Give someone a hug!
Be a good role-model.
Be a good friend!
Encourage others - 'You can do it!'
Say nice words!
Say 'Good morning' or 'Hello' to people!



Love of learning

Working hard every day at school.
Ask and answer questions.
Be curious - do extra research.
Keep your books tidy - be proud of your work.
Pay attention.
Make links to previous learning.
Show SLANT. Give SHAPE answers.



Gratitude

Thank people who have helped you.
Say 'Thank you' when someone gives you something.
Be happy for others - don't be jealous!
Give to give, not to receive.
Thank God for the blessings in your life.
Domino effect - if someone helps you, you can help someone else and they can help someone.



Holiness

Being reverent during prayerful times.
Leading and taking part in prayer and liturgy in class.
Taking time to pray.
Attending Masses and participating fully - sing!
Saying our school prayer.
Knowing prayers off by heart.
Read the Bible.

Awards go to:

Love

SIENNA

Love of Learning

MEGAN

Gratitude

LUCA

Holiness

ANAH

Kindness

CLARA

Progress

FRANK & ALIONA

**Sports Person of the
Year**

WILLIAM

MUSIC SUMMER CONCERT

We would like to say a huge well done to all of the children who took part in our Summer Concert. They performed with confidence, enthusiasm and huge smiles, making it a truly enjoyable event for everyone who attended.



SPORT NEWS

SPORTS DAY - FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2026



Our KS1 and KS2 Sports Days were a huge success, with children enjoying a wonderful day of sport, teamwork and friendly competition.

Throughout the events, pupils took part in a variety of races and activities, showing great determination, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. It was fantastic to see the children encouraging one another, celebrating achievements and giving their very best effort.

There were plenty of smiles, cheers and memorable moments as the children had lots of fun competing for their houses and taking part in team events. We were incredibly proud of the positive attitudes displayed by all pupils.

Thank you to all the staff, volunteers and families who helped to make the days so enjoyable. Well done to everyone who took part! 🏆🎉



SPORT NEWS

QUAD KIDS

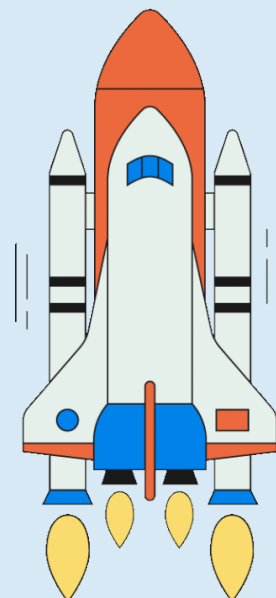
Following on from their great success at Saffron Lane, both of our Year 5/6 and Year 3/4 teams qualified for Quadkids where each member of the 10 person team (5 girls and 5 boys in each team) took part in a sprint, long distance race, howler throw and standing long jump. After a very competitive day, our Year 5/6 team came 3rd and our Year 3/4 team came 1st. This meant that the Year 3/4 team qualified for the County Finals. Unfortunately, this event was cancelled due to the extreme hot weather. All athletes should feel extremely proud of their efforts.



YEAR 5 TRIP

National Space Centre

Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of exciting and interactive activities, exploring the wonders of space, learning about planets, rockets, and astronauts, and enjoying the many exhibits on display.



BIKEABILITY



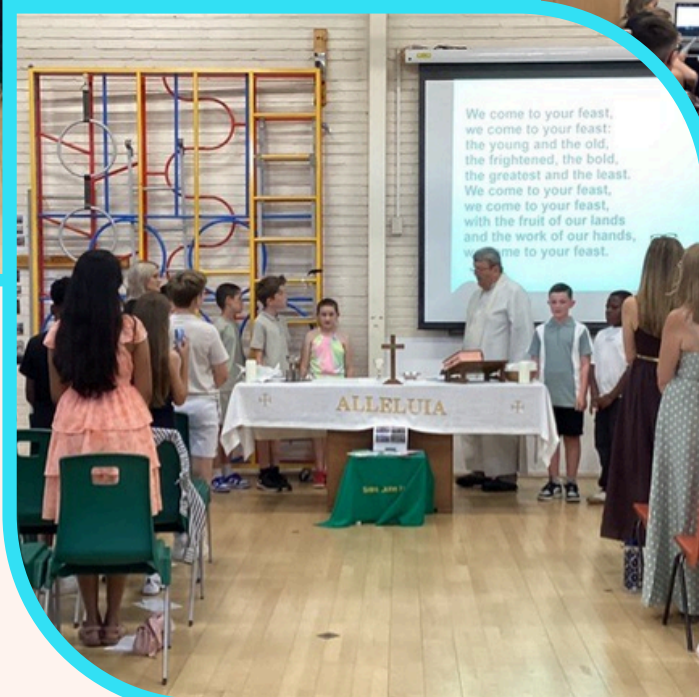
END OF YEAR 6

MASS & PARTY

We had a Leavers' Mass on Wednesday which Fr Michael celebrated and it was a fitting farewell to a great cohort. Thanks to all the parents for organising this special occasion.

Leavers

I would like to wish all children who are leaving us at the end of this academic year all the very best and every blessing on their journey. I know that they have all had a great start here at St John Fisher and know that they will go on to achieve great things in the future. We bid a fond farewell to families whose children's primary education is now complete at St John Fisher. Thank you for your support and you are welcome back anytime for whole school occasions.



Year 6 Leavers Play

After weeks of rehearsals, and a lot of hard work, the Year 6 children performed their Leaver's play to their parents last week. The weather was fortunately a little cooler allowing the children to give an amazingly colourful and energetic performance of the appropriately themed play "Go For Goal". Having sung their way through the play, the children are now experts on the history of the World Cup! Many congratulations to our wonderful children for learning their all of their lines and delivering them with such confidence. Following such a spectacular performance there was barely a dry eye in the house. Following such a spectacular performance, there was barely a dry eye in the house.



Leavers



Goodbye and thank you for everything you
have done for St John Fisher

Staff

Andrea Gibson

Meg Gibson

Miss Bryant

Mrs Marlowe

Mrs Vilicins

Governors

Edward Hayes

We wish them the very best in their next
chapter.



Squeezy Dumplings

Aspect	Details
Images	
PSD Number	2606-0196
Product Type	Toys – Dolls/Soft Toys (Non Powered)
Product Identifiers	Distributor: Samsons Cash and Carry Ltd, Cardiff, CF11 8TZ No batch numbers or product identifiers provided on product or packaging.
Product Description	Plastic 'basket style' pot containing a single soft plastic polymer dumpling.
Country of Origin	China
Counterfeit	Unknown
Risk Level	Serious
Risk Type	Chemical
Risk Description	The product presents a serious chemical risk because the outer layer contains an excess concentration of benzene (20mg/kg). If inhaled, benzene can cause irritation to the eyes, nose and throat. Exposure to large amounts may also cause a burning feeling throughout the digestive tract and skin irritation. Improvements are also required to product labelling and marking. Further information regarding benzene can be found on Gov.uk at the following link: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/benzene-general-information-on-incident-management-and-toxicology/benzene-general-information The product does not meet the requirements of the Toys (Safety) Regulations 2011.
Corrective Measures	The product has been recalled from end users by Samsons Cash and Carry Ltd. Owners are advised to stop using the product and keep it out of reach of children. For more information, please contact samsonscashandcarry@hotmail.co.uk.
Online Marketplace	N/A
Notifier	Local Authority Trading Standards



FROM PRIMARY SCHOOL TO LIFELONG RUNNING

Keep Running. Make Friends. Have Fun.

MOVING TO YEAR 7?

Your running journey
doesn't have to stop.

The Year 6 Promise
helps every child who
enjoys running in Year 6
know where they can
continue running when
they move to secondary
school.



MEET NEW FRIENDS

Connect with other
young runners before
starting Year 7.



ENJOY FUN RUNNING SESSIONS

Friendly, enjoyable
sessions for all
abilities.



BUILD CONFIDENCE

Feel ready and
confident for the
next step.



OPEN TO EVERYONE

All abilities
welcome.
No pressure.



HAVE FUN

Stay active,
make memories
and enjoy the
journey.



FIND YOUR NEXT STEP

Information for
parents about local
opportunities.



JOIN OUR **TRANSITION & DEVELOPMENT** EVENTS!



WEDNESDAY

29TH JULY

6:30PM

@ OADBY BEAUCHAMP COLLEGE

A great opportunity
to meet other young
runners, have fun
and get ready for
Year 7!



SATURDAY

1ST AUGUST

10:00AM

@ KNIGHTON PARK

Explore running
together, build
confidence and
enjoy the outdoors!



**CONTACT ME TO
REGISTER YOUR INTEREST:**



Call or text:
07977 111413



Email:
runforlifeleague2026@outlook.com

Contact me on the number above or email to register.
You'll receive information about events, opportunities and how to get involved.

OUR VALUES



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

All abilities.
All backgrounds.
Everyone belongs.



FRIENDSHIP COMES FIRST

Kindness, respect
and teamwork
matter most.



PARTICIPATION IS CELEBRATED

We celebrate
effort, progress
and trying your best.



CONFIDENCE GROWS

Through activity,
support and
encouragement.



RUNNING IS FOR LIFE

A healthy habit
that can last a
lifetime.

LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND SCHOOLS
— RUN FOR LIFE —

KEEP RUNNING TODAY.
HEALTHIER, HAPPIER, STRONGER FOR LIFE.

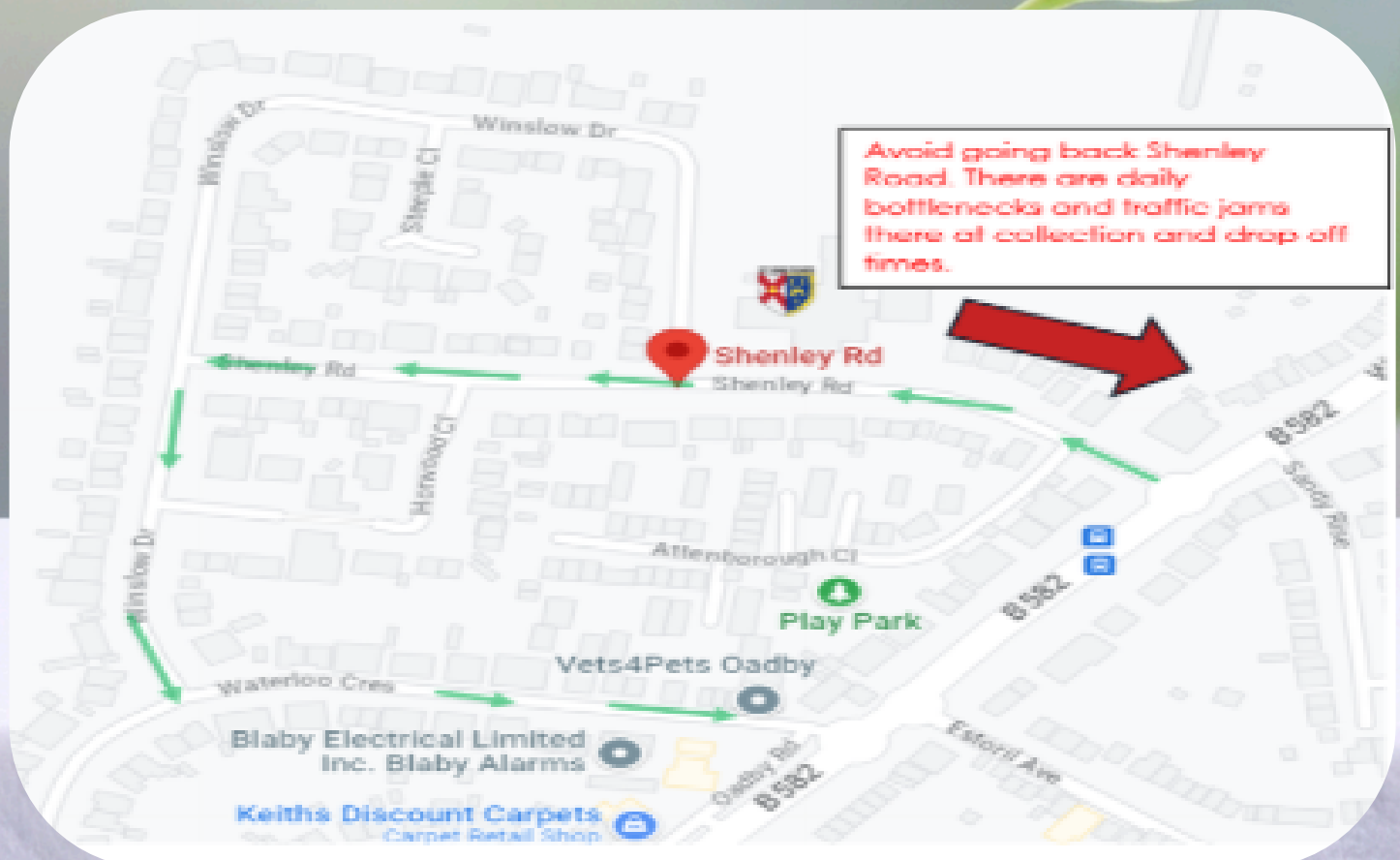
Let's Keep Our School Drop-Off and Pick-Up Safe and Smooth!

Thank you to all the families who already show great care when driving and parking around school. Your efforts make a real difference to everyone's safety.

To help keep things running safely and smoothly, please remember:

- Plan ahead: Give yourself a little extra time.
- Park responsibly: Avoid corners, driveways, and anything that blocks visibility.
- Drive safely: Please avoid U-turns near school and try not to reverse onto main roads.

Your support helps create a safe, welcoming environment for all our children. Thank you for your cooperation!





JOIN US FOR GAELIC FOOTBALL TRAINING!



EVERY MONDAY



6 – 7 PM



**ST JOHN FISHER CVA
SHELBY ROAD
WIGSTON**

EVERY TUESDAY



6:30 – 7:30 PM



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LEICESTER**



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**COME ALONG, GET INVOLVED
AND BE PART OF THE TEAM!**



Schools Newsletter

Summer - 2026



This Summer, we're super excited to launch the 'Summer Reading Challenge' with it's brand new theme 'Read to the Beat'! Registration starts on Saturday 4th July and runs until Saturday 12th September.

**READ
to the
BEAT**

Visit your local library to sign up, discover exciting new books, and enjoy a summer filled with stories, music and imagination. Throughout the challenge, children are encouraged to borrow books, enjoy reading and make regular visits to their library, collecting stickers and rewards along the way.

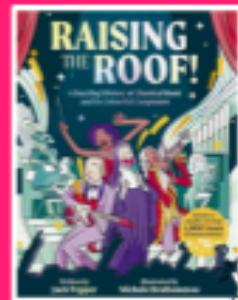
Visit our [Summer Reading Challenge website](#) to find out more.

Plus follow us on social media and enjoy the beat-tastic fun!

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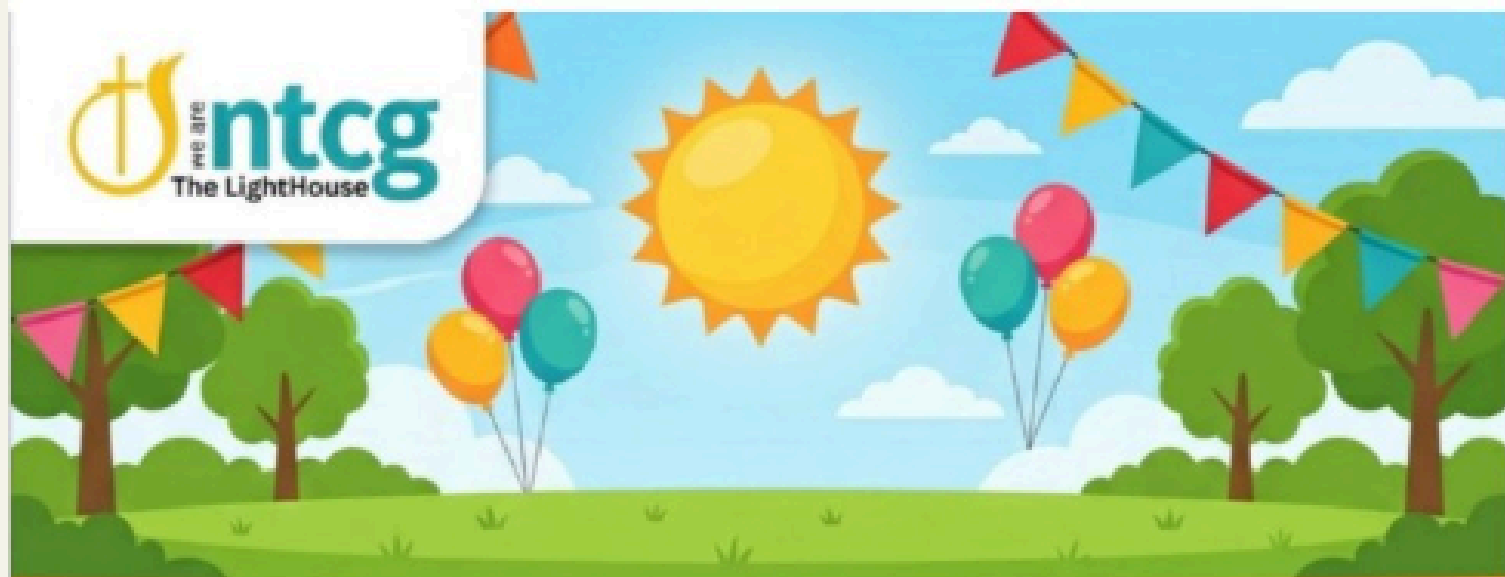
Booklist Spotlight



Start your 'Read to the Beat' challenge at your local library and discover some fantastic books, exciting stories and new favourites to enjoy all summer long.

For more book recommendations and to reserve books, visit our [catalogue](#).





COMMUNITY BBQ **FUN DAY**

FREE
Entry

SATURDAY 11TH JULY 2026

12PM TO 4PM

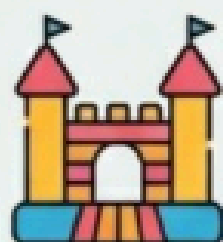
ALL WELCOME



FOOD



MUSIC



**BOUNCY
CASTLE**



GAMES

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MORE...**

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library



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for children
(5-15 years)
in August*



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parks



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history



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Summer savings start on the bus in August*

Great
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SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2026

Summer is here and we wanted to send our usual information sheet out to you with some ideas to keep costs down during the long summer holidays!

Discounted meals

Kids eat FREE at Zizzi from 17 July to 6 September 2026, making it a great way to keep costs down while enjoying a delicious meal together.

With every qualifying adult meal, your child can enjoy a FREE 3-course meal, including:

- A starter – pasta crisps or dippy bits.
- A main – a Margherita pizza or fresh pasta.
- A dessert – choose from gelato, an ice lolly or a fruit pot.

Click on the pizza for more information!



Things to do

Entry is completely free at Bradgate Park!

- Spot the famous wild deer.
- Explore scenic walking trails.
- Climb the rocks and enjoy the views.
- Discover the historic ruins of Bradgate House.
- Bring a picnic and enjoy the outdoors.

Top tip: Entry is free, but parking charges apply. Click on the deer for more information.



More things to do

Visit May the Toys Be With You at Leicester Museum & Art Gallery and explore over 400 Star Wars toys and collectibles. Until 6 September 2026 FREE entry – fun for the whole family! Click on The Death Star for more details.



Rutland

Discover the history of England's smallest county at Rutland County Museum in Oakham. Entry is FREE, and families can explore fascinating exhibits on archaeology, rural life and local history, along with interactive displays and regular children's activities during the school holidays. A great budget-friendly day out for curious minds!



Fun at home

Family Action has put together a range of simple, budget-friendly activities to help keep children entertained over the summer without relying on screens. Ideas include visiting local parks, museums and libraries, building dens, creating recycled crafts, drawing with chalk, going on nature scavenger hunts, making obstacle courses and enjoying outdoor adventures together. The aim is to encourage creativity, imagination and family time while keeping costs low. Click on the books to learn more.

