



# Solihull Parents' Network Easter 2025 Family Events



Images courtesy of (from clockwise) Castle Bromwich Historic Gardens, West Midlands Safari Park and Baddesley Clinton.

Solihull Family Information Service Call: 0800 389 8667 Email: <u>familyinfo@solihull.gov.uk</u> Web: <u>www.solihull.gov.uk/familyinfo</u>

# **Balsall Common Library**

283 Kenilworth Road, Balsall Common CV7 7EL

#### Easter Fun

Join us over the Easter school break for 'eggstra' special fun and games!

Just drop into the library any time we are open for a 'cracking' time!



Age:	4-11 years
Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 (Easter egg and Scavenger hunt)
	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 (Easter themed paper crafting)
Times:	From 10am
Cost:	Free
Contact:	01676 532590
Email:	libraries@solihull.gov.uk
Website:	https://www.solihull.gov.uk/Libraries/Library-events-activities

#### **Roarsome Dinosaur Crafts**

A fun filled dinosaur craft morning on Thu 24 April, suitable for children aged 4 to 11 years and their grown-ups.

Age:	4-11 years	-
Dates:	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	
Times:	10.15am – 12.15pm	-1
Cost:	Free	-
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Arden Cottage, The Green, Meriden, CV7 7LN

#### Easter Fun

Join us over the Easter school break for 'eggstra' special fun and games! We will have a Bunny Hunt and Easter crafting from Mon 14 to Thu 24 April, and Just drop into the library any time we are open for a 'cracking' time! Ages 4 to 11.

Age:	4 to 11 years	13.20
Dates:	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> to Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	E.
Times:	10am to 5pm	te te
Cost:	Free	ŀ
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## **Chelmsley Wood Library**

10 West Mall, Chelmsley Wood Shopping Centre, Chelmsley Wood, B37 5TN

#### Minecraft Eggstravaganza Rollerball

Come along to Chelmsley Wood Library and play our Easter themed Rollerball. Score as many points as you can with 5 balls to roll into the holes and add your name to the leaderboard.

Age:	All ages	
Dates:	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	
Times:	10am - 12pm and 2pm - 4pm	
Cost:	Free	
Contact:	0121 788 4380	
Email:	libraries@solihull.gov.uk	
Website:	https://www.solihull.gov.uk/Libraries/Library-e	events-activities

#### Easter Treasure Hunt

Come along and take part in our library treasure hunt! Find all of the letters on our mystery book characters, reveal the hidden Easter word and win a small prize! You can book in advance or just drop in for the session times.

Age:	All ages	
Dates:	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	
Times:	10am - 12pm and 2pm - 4pm	-
Cost:	Free	
Contact:	0121 788 4380	
Email:	libraries@solihull.gov.uk	
Website:	https://www.solihull.gov.uk/Libraries/Library-events-activities	



# **Elmwood Family Hub**

37 Burton's Way, Smiths Wood, B36 0UG

#### Decorate an Easter biscuit

Join us for a Spring/Easter themed biscuit decorating session. Booking is essential for this session. You can book via Elmwood Family Hub, by calling 0121 779 1700.

Age:	0-5 years
Dates:	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025
Times:	1.30pm – 3.15pm
Cost:	Free
Phone:	0121 779 1700
Email:	elmwoodfh@solihull.gov.uk

#### Easter Baking Session

Join us for an Easter-themed baking session. Booking is essential for this session. You can book via Elmwood Family Hub by calling 0121 779 1700.

Age:	0-5 years
Dates:	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
Times:	10am – 11.30pm
Cost:	Free
Phone:	0121 779 1700
Email:	elmwoodfh@solihull.gov.uk

Families are most welcome to pop in and see our hub!

There is a play area and a sensory room that can be booked by families. We also have some pre-loved school uniform and children's clothing including coats at reception.

To find out more please visit <u>www.solihull.gov.uk/family-hubs</u> or download the "Solihull Family Hubs" App.

Alternatively, you can:

- call us on 0121 779 1700
- email <u>elmwoodfh@solihull.gov.uk</u>
- visit our Facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/SolihullFamilyHubs</u>

## **Riverside Family Hub**

289 Bosworth Drive, Chelmsley Wood, B37 5DP

#### Easter craft and egg hunt

Join us for an Easter craft and egg hunt. With two time slots available. You can book via Riverside Family Hub by calling 0121 779 1750.

Age:	All ages
Dates:	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
Times:	11am – 12pm or 12.15pm – 1.15pm
Cost:	Free
Phone:	0121 779 1750
Email:	riversidefh@solihull.gov.uk

# **Hatchford Brook Family Hub**

Old Lode Lane, Solihull, B92 8JE

#### Easter craft session

Come along and join in with a selection of easter Craft activities for all the Family!

Age:	All ages
Dates:	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	9am – 12pm
Cost:	Free
Phone:	0121 704 6943
Email:	hatchfordbrookfh@solihull.gov.uk

#### Easter movie egg-stravaganza!

April Join us for an Easter movie marathon featuring 3 Easter movies your children will love! No need to book, just come along and enjoy the fun!

Age:	All ages
Dates:	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
Times:	10am – 3.30pm
Cost:	Free
Phone:	0121 704 6943
Email:	hatchfordbrookfh@solihull.gov.uk

#### Planet Ice Solihull Hobs Moat Road, Solihull B92 8JN



#### Easter Learn to Skate Camps

Our 3 or 5 Day Camps are designed for beginners who are looking to learn how toskate or those that want to improve their skills on the ice.

Our camps include a 30 minute group lesson, breakfast and a hot drink meal deal and public skate after your lesson topractice your skills.

If you are looking for additional training experience towards your Skate Excellence grades 1 to 8, then please talk to a member of staff who can advise which course could be right for you.



Age:	Adults and children of all ages
Dates/Times:	Mondays to Fridays (From 14 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025)
Times:	Please see website
Cost:	£56 per 3 day course
	£71 per 5 day course
Contact:	Pre-book your 3 or 5 day camps via our website or by calling 0121 742 5561
Email:	solihull@planet-ice.co.uk
Website:	www.planet-ice.co.uk

#### 2 for 1 Easter Skate

Kick start the Easter Holiday's with exciting 2-for-1 ice skating offers at your local Planet Ice! Enjoy double the fun for the price of one.

Glide under dazzling lights and enjoy the music in this fun-filled skating session! Perfect for



all ages, experience a vibrant and energetic atmosphere on the ice.

Please note: Ice Card Double Discount does not apply to 2-for-1 sessions.

This is an Online Offer Only. Book Now to Guarantee Your Place.

Only available on sessions titled '2 For 1 Easter Skate.'.

Contact:Pre-book your sessions via our website or by calling 0121 742 5561Email:solihull@planet-ice.co.ukWebsite:www.planet-ice.co.uk

# The Wave

New Union Street, Coventry CV1 2PS

#### **Ride the Easter wave**

The Wave, a UK award-winning, indoor waterpark making a splash in the heart of Coventry!

From high-speed slides and a fun-packed splash zone to the exhilarating Wave Pool and relaxing Lazy River... There's something for thrill, spill and chill seekers of all ages to enjoy.



Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.15am to 4pm (online booking required)
Cost:	£56 per family ticket (2 adults, 2 juniors)
Website:	www.thewavecoventry.com



# Art at the Heart CIC

Age:

Date: Times:

Cost: Contact:

Email:

Website:

The Courtyard Gallery, The Core, Homer Road, Solihull B91 3RG

#### **Enchanted Forest – Fun Arts Tuition**

Embark on a creative journey through the Enchanted Forest and paint the magical creatures you encounter. Will you see unicorns, dragons, or perhaps enchanted frogs? This workshop encourages imagination and self-expression.



Wire Sculpture Vases – Fun Arts Tuition	
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5 to 12 years

10am to 11.30am £22.38 per child

07772 319303

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Create a unique wiry vase-like no other! Shape the vase and decorate with weaving and collage material to create unique designs you'll be proud of.

https://www.artattheheartcic.org/short-courses/#TheCore

Age:	7 to 13 years
Date:	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	12.30pm to 2pm
Cost:	£24.54 per child (price includes vase)
Contact:	07772 319303
Email:	admin@artattheheartcic.org
Website:	https://www.artattheheartcic.org/short-courses/#TheCore



#### FashionXpression: Tote Bags

Thu, 24 April 10.00 -11:30 am The Core, Solihull Age Guide: 7-13. Fun arts tuition Design and print your own unique fashionable tote bag that's sustainable too! Let children explore, enjoy and express themselves through art and a palette full of colour whilst creating a useful memento.

Age:	7 to 13 years	
Date:	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	
Times:	10am to 11.30am	and a second second
Cost:	£22.38 per child	
Contact:	07772 319303	The state
Email:	admin@artattheheartcic.org	
Website:	https://www.artattheheartcic.org/short-c	courses/#TheCore



## How to Make Your Own Kaleidoscope

Create a kaleidoscope and enjoy a dazzling spectrum of colour! Use it to inspire unique artworks to take home.

Age:	5 to 11 years
Date:	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	12.30pm to 2pm
Cost:	£22.38 per child
Contact:	07772 319303
Email:	admin@artattheheartcic.org
Website:	https://www.artattheheartcic.org/short-courses/#TheCore

# Get Creative

# **Transport Museum Wythall**

Chapel Lane, Wythall B47 6JA



#### Easter 2025

Transport Museum Wythall presents the history of public transport in the West Midlands. With vintage and classic vehicle displays, free bus rides, and a miniature railway for children



of all ages, children's play area, café and shop, there's something for everyone. Plus, an amazing collection of electric milk floats and bread vans – come and see Ernie, the fastest milk float in the west! Special events are run throughout the year so please see our website for full details of dates and times.

A free vintage bus link to Maypole Island and to Shirley railway station meeting trains on the Shakespeare Line for Birmingham and Stratford upon Avon (see website for connecting dates/times).



Age:	All ages
Dates:	Museum open on Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> , Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> , Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> , Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.30am to 4pm
	10.30am to 4.30pm (Easter Bank Holiday Monday)
Cost:	From… £8 per adult, £4 per child (5 to 16 years) £20 per family (2 adults + 2 children) £2 miniature railway rides
Contact:	01564 826471 (during office hours).
	Pre-booking via the website is recommended
Website:	www.wythall.org.uk



Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens

# **Castle Bromwich Historic Gardens**

Chester Road, Castle Bromwich. B36 9BT.

#### **Easter Holiday Activities**

The Gardens are open **every day**, seven days a week during the Easter holidays, (Saturday 12th April to Sunday 27th April). See below for bookable activities, different prices, but all include all day Garden entry.



More information and to book see our website events calendar <a href="https://www.castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk/events-calendar/">https://www.castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk/events-calendar/</a>

#### **Craft Sessions**

Book an Easter crafts two-hour sessions to create three crafted items, decorated egg cup, hanging egg and woven hanging egg basket.

Limited spaces available

Age:	2 to 9 years (other ages are welcome).
Date:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> and Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2025.
Times:	1pm – 3pm
Cost:	Child ticket £8 includes Easter Trail, creme egg prize and all day entry to the
	Gardens, accompanying adult normal entry fee.
Website:	https://www.castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk/calendar/

On Easter Bank Holiday Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April, crafts are free with normal admission fees. Drop-in crafts including making Rabbit masks and yellow chicks are available from 11am to 2pm.

**Donations welcome** 



#### Easter Egg Hunts

Hunt for those eggs! Hop, skip and jump along the way... Eggs-plore the beautiful Gardens and discover Nature on a self-guided family hunt. Solve the trail questions and pop back to the entrance for your Easter eggy treat!

- Every day during the Easter holidays... while eggs and chocs last.
- No need to book, just turn up.
- Age: All ages
- Dates: Saturday 12th Sunday 27th April 2025
- Cost: Normal entry fees apply for adults,
- All children over 2yrs old £4 (includes trail and egg reward for each child. )

Trail reward includes a choice of Cadbury Creme eggs, Skittles or Chocolate Bunnies.

#### **Bookable sessions**

#### **Easter Minibeast Adventure**

We will be exploring ponds and minibeasts, try your hand at pond dipping, hunt for minibeasts, learn to be a frog, play games and much more. This session is entirely outdoors and is suitable for children aged 3 -12 years old.



Age:	3 to 12 years.	- Concure
Date/Time:	Tuesday 15th April – 11am – 12.15	
	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 24	
Cost:	Family £13 (2 adults + 3 children of	or 1 adult and up to 4 children).
	Under 2s are free in addition.	
	Individual Child ticket £7 (1 child w	vith 1 adult).
	Additional child or adult with the fa	mily £4
Website:	https://www.castlebromwichhallga	rdens.org.uk/calendar/

#### **Clay Workshop**

Get crafty with us this Easter by letting your imagination run wild and creating some awesome clay creations, creepy crawlies, hedgehogs or maybe even an Easter Bunny ? All using Nature's original play dough... Clay We will also finish the session of with a nature based game to burn some energy! This session is entirely outdoors - please dress accordingly. Please arrive 10 minutes before the start time. This is for families and is ideal for 3 to 9 year olds with their adults



Age:	3 to 9 years with accompanying adult.
Date:	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April – 11am – 12.15pm
	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> , Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April
Time:	10.30am – 11.30am
Cost:	Family £13 (2 adults + 3 children or 1 adult and up to 4 children).
	Under 2s are free in addition.
	Individual Child ticket £7 (1 child with 1 adult).
	Additional child over 2yrs old or adult with the family £4
Website:	https://www.castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk/calendar/

#### **Tree Tots**

Tree Tots offers a unique parent and children's class held at the beautiful Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens. Our classes provide an opportunity for parents to connect with themselves, their children, their community, and nature. Our natural environment engages your senses, creating a relaxed and calming atmosphere that supports nurturing the bond and connection with your beautiful children. These classes are suitable for walking babies up to 5 year olds.

Age:	Walking babies up to 5 years old with accompanying adult.
Date:	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> April and Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Time:	10am - 11am and 11.45am – 12.45pm
Cost:	Child and adult £9.50, extra family member £5.
Website:	https://www.castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk/calendar/

#### EASTER WEEKEND Living History: Colonel Pickering's Regiment of Foote

Step back 350 years to the English Civil War and experience life on the road for soldiers and their families. Over the Easter weekend (Saturday and Sunday), John Pickering and his Regiment of Foote take up residence in the Gardens. Wander among the Parliamentary troops and their followers as they prepare for battle at Curdworth Bridge, near Water Orton. Get into conversation with those who cooked the meals and sewed the cloth... Let your imagination float back 300 years through the sound and smell of muskets and campfire smoke... Drills, musket practise and musters happen throughout the day. Family Friendly (with some loud noises)

This is a much-needed fundraising event for the Gardens so your support and generosity at the entrance gate will be much appreciated.

All tickets and donations go to support the long term work for the Trust, preserving and sharing the 18th century Gardens and Parkland



No need to book.

Age:All ages welcomeDate:Easter Saturday 20th and Easter Sunday 21st April 2025.Cost:Normal entry fees apply see website for detailsWebsite:https://www.castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk/

# Warwick Castle

Warwick, Warwickshire CV34 6AH

#### Easter at the Castle

What's on this Easter This Easter, spring into action with an unforgettable adventure at Warwick Castle, packed with over 15 live shows and attractions for all the family to enjoy!

**The Falconer's Quest:** The UK's largest bird of prey display returns with over 60 stunning birds

**Zog:** Enjoy the Zog Playland, Zog Live Show, and Zog and the Quest for the Gold Star Interactive Trail

**The Trebuchet**: Witness Britain's largest siege machine up close in person





Princess Tower: Immersive, magical storytelling for young knights and princesses

Horrible Histories Maze: Get lost in time with history's best (and worst!) moments

**Heritage & History**: Explore stunning interiors and royal stories and learn Warwick's rich history from expert Historians Plus, lots more!

Age:	All ages
Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Cost:	See website for details
Email:	customer.information@warwick-castle.com
Website:	https://www.warwick-castle.com/explore-
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## **Stratford Town Walk**

Stratford

#### **Stratford Ghost Walk**

Award-winning evening Ghost Walk in Stratford upon Avon. Walk around the "haunted" streets to discover the ancient creaky buildings seeping with sinister stories of ghosts,



witches, murder and misery. The costumed guides are professional entertainers and deliver the tour in their own unique style.

Dates:	Easter Saturday 19th April 2025.
Times:	7.30pm – 9pm
Cost:	£10 per adult
	£5 per child (8 to 15 years).
	Not suitable for under 8s

#### **Stratford Town Walk – Christmas Day**

Join the award-winning Stratford Town Walk for a fun guided walk – Easter fun for the whole family – the dog too! Join a local professional guide and enjoy fresh air , exercise and good company.

Discover Stratford's history and fascinating relationship with William Shakespeare. Hear stories of Stratford's history through fire, flood and plague, with old fashioned sayings, medieval

medical cures and amusing anecdotes. The Town Walk goes ahead every day of the year. Please see website for other days and times. The walk is accessible. Dogs are welcome.

Location: Swan Fountain on Waterside, near the RST and opposite Sheep Street

Age:	All ages
Times:	11am (walk start time). Duration 1.5 hours to 2 hours
Cost:	£10 per adult
	£5 per child (8 to 15 years)
	Under 8 years free!

Please note: for both Stratford Town Walks the fee includes exclusive discounts at selected shops, restaurants, pubs, coffee shops and attractions, including Butterfly Farm, MAD Museum and Shakespeare's Birthplace.

Contact:Pre-book your tickets online or phone 07855 760377Email:stratfordtownwalk@btinternet.comWebsite:www.stratfordtownwalk.co.uk

#### Touchwood Solihull B91 3GJ

# Experience the Magic of Snow White's Kindness Cottage this Easter at Touchwood - located on Lower Jubilee Walk (near The Entertainer)

This Easter, families are invited to step into a fairy-tale adventure at Snow White's Kindness Cottage.

Nestled in a charming woodland setting, this enchanting experience promises a heartwarming celebration of kindness, creativity, and community spirit.

Guests will have the chance to meet Snow White and her woodland friends while taking part in a variety of interactive activities.

Children can craft their own friendship bracelets, learning the joy of giving and sharing. The Blossom Tree Art Display will offer young crafters and artists the opportunity to showcase their creativity, adding their colourful masterpieces to a growing symbol of kindness.

Plus, families can embark on our Kindness Trail, to explore acts of kindness and ways to spread happiness this Easter.



Spaces for Snow White's cottage are limited so book now to secure a spot for your little ones:

Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2025.
Times:	Please see website for booking details
Cost:	£2.50 per child for a 30 minute slot
Website:	https://www.eventsattouchwood.co.uk/easter-cottage

# Kenilworth Castle and Elizabethan Garden

Castle Green, Off Castle Rd, Kenilworth, Warwickshire CV8 1NE

# Easter Adventure Quest at Kenilworth Castle and Elizabethan Garden

Join us for an adventure quest at Kenilworth Castle this Easter holiday. Crack the clues hidden around the grounds and enjoy a delicious chocolate reward!

You can take on the quest every day of the school holidays, and it costs just £2 to take part. This is for each child, whether you're a member or not, and it's on top of the ticket price. There's no need to book the quest, you can pay when you arrive at the site. *Book early and save 15%.* 

 Age:
 All ages

 Dates/Times:
 Various (see website)

 Cost:
 Please see website

 Website:
 <u>https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/whats-on/kenilworth-castle-easter-adventure-quest-5-27-april-2025/</u>

# The Big Brick Build at Kenilworth Castle and Elizabethan Garden

Get creative with our master builders and help us bring history to life with LEGO® bricks. Become a budding gardener and help us to design a garden fit to woo a queen as we travel back to Elizabeth I's visit to Kenilworth Castle. What will you add to help Robert Dudley win the Queen's heart?

We're turning the castle's Elizabethan Gardens into brick art! Join us to recreate the beautiful gardens to be placed beneath the queen's private apartments, just like Robert Dudley once did for Elizabeth I. Once you've worked your magic, our brick builders will put your creations together, creating an amazing mini version of the gardens.

NEW FOR 2025 - Help us to decorate the Queen's dress! Come along to see our 60cm high figure of Queen Elizabeth I made from LEGO® Bricks and have a go at decorating part of her dress.

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The Big Brick Build is held in a marquee with access ramps. Entry is first come first served so there might be queues. Each build experience lasts 15 minutes, but you're welcome to come back as many times as you like.

Age:	All ages
Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.30am – 4pm
Cost:	Please see website
Website:	https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/whats-on/kenilworth-castle-the-big-
	brick-build-12-21-april-2025/







#### West Midland Safari Park

Bewdley, Worcestershire DY12 1LF

#### Santa Safari



#### HOP INTO EASTER FUN AT WEST MIDLANDS SAFARI PARK...

West Midlands Safari Park is excited to announce the return of 'Easter Eggstravaganza' with a variety of fun-fuelled family activities and a new character.

Running from 12<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025, guests will be invited to take part in the celebrations, which include an interactive trail, competitions, a new show and a chance to get creative with some Easter arts and crafts.

This year, a brand-new character has 'hatched' called Chirpy Chick, who will be roaming the Safari Walk areas of the Park, meeting guests and taking pictures with them.



Also new for 2025 is 'Bramble Bunny's Hoppy Easter Show', a live, interactive performance bursting with fun, games, magic and dancing.

PR & Events Executive, Bethan Davis, said, "We're delighted to be hosting our Easter Eggstravaganza event once again this year at West Midlands Safari Park! Last year's event was a huge success and with even more 'eggciting' activities this year, it's the perfect opportunity for families to enjoy a great day out, full of seasonal fun, while discovering everything else that the Park has to offer.

"We have a brand-new character who will be out and about, as well as our resident Easter bunny, Bramble, who has a cracking new show which will be on at intervals throughout the day. We are also giving away more prizes than ever before, with four different competitions on offer. We hope everyone has a great day with us."

Children will be able to win chocolate or a sweet treat by taking part in the Eggsplorers' Trail, by following clues and answering questions at each point.

There is a photo competition, where guests can win a VIP Rhino Feed Experience if they find the missing egg and take a picture with it to post on the Park's Facebook page.

In the Discovery Trail, guests will find a huge egg, filled with smaller colourful eggs. If they can guess how many eggs it contains, they can enter the competition to win a Safari Lodges stay of their choice.

New for this year is Chirpy Chick's Cracking Quest, which involves guests following the clues posted on the Park's Instagram story to find the golden egg which contains some incredible prizes, such as retail vouchers, VIP Experiences, Annual Passes and Safari Lodges stays.

The Easter Craft Club will be returning, this year based in Bramble's Burrow, where guests can take part in themed arts and crafts.

During the event, the Park will be decorated with bright and colourful Easter theming, including giant eggs, hay bales, floral displays and photo points.

Additionally, the Park's conservation team will be championing penguins and raising money for the Global Penguin Society, an international organisation committed to the conservation of these marine birds and their associated ecosystems.

Penguins are one of the most vulnerable seabirds with climate change, reduced food availability due to overfishing and habitat destruction threatening their existence in the wild.

The Eggsplorers trail will feature facts about penguins and children will have the opportunity to learn more about these fantastic birds, make their penguin pledge and help raise money towards the society's efforts to protect all penguins in the wild.

There is also the chance to see the Park's newest arrivals, the three Sumatran tiger cubs, at the new viewing 'peepholes' of their outdoor den.



West Midlands Safari Park's Easter activities are included in the admission price and guests are encouraged to book online in advance for the best deals. Children under the age of three are free.

Adventure Theme Park rides are charged extra. Admission includes a Free Return to visit again within six months, only when booking online in advance.

Age:	All ages
Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2025.
Times:	Please see website for details
Cost:	Tickets can be booked in advance via the Park's website, where guests can
	also see the calendar of events
Email:	info@wmsp.co.uk
Website:	https://www.wmsp.co.uk

# **Baddesley Clinton**

Rising Lane, Baddesley Clinton, Warwickshire B93 0DQ

#### Easter trail at Baddesley Clinton

Set in the heart of the Forest of Arden, Baddesley Clinton has 500 years of fascinating and unexpected stories. Discover a moated manor house with late medieval, Tudor and 20th-century histories and explore peaceful gardens include fish pools, walled garden, a recently restored vegetable plot and a lakeside walk.



Our Easter adventure includes a playful activity led trail for families to have fun and make memories together against the backdrop of the house with traditional races and a bunny and chick hoopla! Don't forget it's hatching time for the Baddesley ducklings too!

Normal admission plus £3.50 per trail, includes a chocolate egg, or a vegan and Free From chocolate egg, both made using cocoa from Rainforest Alliance Certified farms.

Age:	All ages
Dates:	From Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
Times/Cost:	Please see website
Website:	www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/warwickshire/baddesley-clinton

#### **Packwood House**

Packwood Lane, Lapworth, Warwickshire B94 6AT

#### Easter Adventures at Packwood House

Packwood House was transformed into the country estate that exists today by Graham Baron Ash in the early 20th century. This year's Easter trail take s place in the gardens with its lakeside walks, famous sculpted yews and an 18th-century gentleman's kitchen garden.



Enjoy Easter activities such as themed origami and spring seed planting as you make your way around the trail against the backdrop of the Tudor house.

Normal admission plus £3.50 per trail, includes a chocolate egg, or a vegan and Free From chocolate egg, both made using cocoa from Rainforest Alliance Certified farms.

Age:All agesDates:From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> April 2025Times/CostPlease see websiteContact:01564 787981Website:www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/warwickshire/packwood-house



# **Coughton Court**

Alcester, Warwickshire, B49 5JA



#### Easter Adventures at Coughton Court

This spring, treat the whole family to an Easter adventure at Coughton Court on the Easter trail from Wednesday 16th to Monday 21st April 10.30am – 3.30pm.

Families can make their way along the trail and discover fun activities such as space hopper races across the parkland and hungry bunny toss before claiming a chocolate egg prize.

Normal admission plus £3.50 per trail, includes a chocolate egg, or a vegan and Free From chocolate egg, both made using cocoa from Rainforest Alliance Certified farms.



Age:	All ages
Dates:	From Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
Times/Cost	Please see website
Contact:	01789 400777
Website:	www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/warwickshire/coughton-court

## **Birmingham Botanical Gardens**

Westbourme Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 3TR

#### Alice's Easterland Adventure – A Magical Family Easter Event

This Easter holiday, bring your family to Birmingham Botanical Gardens for a one-of-a-kind interactive Easter event filled with live performances, family-friendly activities, and magical surprises!

A Curious & Whimsical Easter Experience for All Ages!

Enter a world where rabbits wear waistcoats, time runs backward, and a Mad Hatter's tea party awaits! Families will love this enchanting outdoor adventure, blending storybook magic with the beauty of nature.

What's Included in Your Ticket?

- Live Wonderland Performances
- Character Meet-and-Greets
- Creative Garden Art Club Make your own Mad Hatters Hat!
- Interactive Mad Hatter's Tea Party Join the fun!
- Through the Looking-Glass Parade A Grand Finale with Live Music and the Queen of Hearts; don't miss the Royal dance off!

This is an exclusive event, produced by Opus for Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Early-bird tickets are no longer available – Remaining tickets are selling fast!

Under 5s go FREE! Members get FREE admission! (Advance booking recommended!) We are an inside & outside venue – Fun happens rain or shine!

Don't Miss Out! Book now and create magical Easter memories with your family! See the programme and timings below:

Dates:	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	10am to 5pm
Cost:	Please see website – tickets selling fast!
Contact:	0121 454 1860
Website:	https://birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk/bbg-event/alices-easterland-
	adventure-2025/

#### The White Rabbit's Botanical Trail

Feeling adventurous? Follow The White Rabbit's Botanical Trail and see what you can find!

Pick up a self-guided exploration through the Gardens, filled with riddles, curious facts, and nature's hidden secrets!

Oh dear, oh dear! The White Rabbit is terribly late...again! He needs your help to uncover clues and set things right. Solve each challenge, explore the gardens, and earn a delicious chocolatey reward at the finish!

The trail is recommended for children aged 6 and older.



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Little ones are also welcome to participate, but please note that the activity sheet will include written instructions – so have a grownup on hand to help!

Tickets must be pre-booked online in advance!

Dates:From Saturday 12th – Sunday 27th April 2025Times:10am to 5pmCost:Please see website – activity trail is an additional £2 and can be collected<br/>from Welcome Desk on arrival.Contact:0121 454 1860Website:https://birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk/bbg-event/the-white-rabbits-<br/>botanical-trail-12-04-2025/

## **Twycross Zoo**

Burton Road, Atherstone, CV9 3PX

#### Twycross Zoo – New Close Encounters – Now Open!

Looking for something to do over Easter? Leading conservation charity Twycross Zoo, is set to open 'Close Encounters – The World of Reptiles and Spiders' — a BRAND-NEW immersive habitat featuring over ten incredible species, including some of the world's most endangered spiders and insects.

Included in the zoo's great value 'Pay for a day, visit free for 12 months' ticket, visitors will be able to:

Explore an interactive space designed to bring them closer than ever to these fascinating creatures.

Some face-to-face with exciting new

arrivals - from reptiles and spiders to a three-metre-long boa constrictor!

✗ Experience a rare chance to see and support some of the world's most endangered species while learning how Twycross Zoo is contributing to their survival.

Lynsey Bugg, Senior Curator at Twycross Zoo, shared her excitement about the new habitat: "We are delighted to be opening a brand-new animal habitat for visitors this Easter. Not only will this area give our visitors exciting new species to discover, but it will also create fantastic opportunities to support vital conservation work, helping to protect these incredible creatures from extinction.

"We can't wait to share more about Close Encounters soon and are even more excited for our visitors to experience it for themselves this Easter."

Get ready to uncover the hidden world of cold-blooded creatures from around the globe. This immersive experience offers families a unique chance to get closer than ever to these often-misunderstood animals and discover the vital role they play in nature.

Age:	All ages
Dates:	Open every day
Times:	9.30am – 5pm
Cost:	Please see website for ticket details
Website:	https://twycrosszoo.org/



# **Coventry Transport Museum**

Millennium Place, Hales Street, Coventry CV1 1JD

#### COVENTRY TRANSPORT MUSEUM

# Tinker | Make | Play Engineers: Powerful Inventions Inspired by Earth Day

Join our Tinker | Make | Play workshop space to explore this year's Earth Day theme OUR POWER, OUR PLANET with us. We invite you to question, wonder and discover our current lives (and transport) on Earth but also dream and create powerful inventions that could become our future.

With electronics increasingly included in our everyday lives and transport, we use different ways to power these.

TINKER with electronics to find out how they work, which materials they are made of, where they come from and how we are disposing of them.

MAKE inventions that could help us and our planet in the future.



PLAY about with different energy sources that could power up our electronics or take a break and simply play in our dedicated loose parts play space especially dedicated to our youngest engineers.

Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> , Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> , Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> , Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> and Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2025.
Times:	11am – 3.30pm
Cost:	Drop in session, free with admission.
Website:	https://www.transport-museum.com/events/1589/tinker-make-play-
	engineers-powerful-inventions-inspired-by-earth-day

Our MicLab Holiday Clubs will also be running on certain days during the Easter Holidays. Please visit the website for more information. https://www.transport-museum.com/events/1615/miclab-holiday-club

#### Herbert Art Gallery and Museum

Jordan Well, Coventry CV1 5QP

#### **Blooming Creations & Crafts**

This Easter, explore the beauty of the natural world through creative arts and immersive experiences. Inspired by our Collecting Coventry exhibition, which features natural sciences from the Herbert Art Gallery & Museum collections, we'll spend two weeks crafting, learning new skills, and celebrating the vibrant blooms of spring.

Art Gallery & Museum

Discover the fascinating animals on display in the exhibition, including the playful fox, curious badger, and colourful blue tit. You will also encounter unexpected creatures like the orange tip butterfly, mongoose and beetles —each sparking your creativity as you bring them to life through your crafts.

Celebrate the beauty of nature in every form while creating something special with your family. This hands-on experience is perfect for all ages and offers the chance to learn, make, and connect with the season's wonders!

#### **Daily Activities**

#### **Striking Spring Bonnets**

Get ready to craft the ultimate Easter bonnet! Join us for a fun, hands-on activity where we will use pipe cleaners, tissue paper, and your favourite decorations to create a dazzling masterpiece. Whether you are imagining a space-themed bonnet, a dino-inspired creation, or a fairy garden bursting with flowers, the possibilities are endless—let your creativity shine!

Age:	Children aged 3yrs upwards but all are welcome.
Dates:	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.30am – 3.30pm
Cost:	Drop in session, £2.50 per child, under 3s go free.
Website:	https://www.theherbert.org/whats-on/1854/blooming-creations-crafts

#### Wonderful Wooden Eggs

Spring has filled Coventry with blooming trees and chirping birds building nests! Take inspiration from nature around you and decorate wooden eggs with playful patterns using colourful felt pens and fun embellishments like glitter, sequins, wool, and more.

Age:	Children aged 3yrs upwards but all are welcome.
Dates:	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> and Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.30am – 3.30pm
Cost:	Drop in session, £2.50 per child, under 3s go free.
Website:	https://www.theherbert.org/whats-on/1854/blooming-creations-crafts

#### Splendid Stone Art

Get creative with stone art! Design illustrations on white stones using a colourful array of pens. The design choice is yours; it could be nature-inspired, feature your favourite person or creature, or carry a meaningful message. Experiment with background colours and add embellishments to enhance your design. Take your art home to display on your front doorstep or in a community garden.

Age:	Children aged 3yrs upwards but all are welcome.
Dates:	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.30am – 3.30pm
Cost:	Drop in session, £2.50 per child, under 3s go free.
Website:	https://www.theherbert.org/whats-on/1854/blooming-creations-crafts

#### **Tie-Dye Totes**

Design a tie-dye tote bag using watered-down fabric paints and elastic bands to create a joyful explosion of colour. This activity will get a little messy—we will provide gloves and aprons. Once rinsed, you will need to dry your creation at home, and then you can show off your beautiful, one-of-a-kind tote!



Age:	Children aged 3yrs upwards but all are welcome.
Dates:	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> & Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.30am – 3.30pm
Cost:	Drop in session, £2.50 per child, under 3s go free.
Website:	https://www.theherbert.org/whats-on/1854/blooming-creations-crafts

#### Art Masterclass: Book Binding with Amara Lawrence

Explore how various art mediums work with different paper types to make a series of pocket-sized notebooks to keep.

Join us for an inspiring Art Masterclass led by the Herbert's Community Engagement Coordinator, Amara Lawrence, where children can dive into the fascinating world of bookbinding and paper art. This hands-on workshop encourages

experimentation with various art mediums on different paper types, helping participants understand how they interact and complement each other.

Using these new skills, children will design and create a series of pocket-sized notebooks, adding personal touches like vibrant colour combinations, charming bookmarks, or unique collaged covers. With expert guidance and all materials provided, this workshop is perfect for young artists and book lovers alike.

Age:	Children aged 8-16yrs. (Parents are not required to stay but are welcome to)
Dates:	Thursday 17th April 2025
Times:	10.30am – 12.30pm and 2pm – 4pm
Cost:	Online booking required £14.25 per child and includes admission to the
	museum. Accompanying adults must pay adult entry fee on arrival.
Website:	https://www.theherbert.org/whats-on/1855/art-masterclass-book-binding-
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#### Art Masterclass: Silk Painting

Dive into the vibrant world of silk painting in this exciting masterclass!

Dive into the exciting world of silk painting in this hands-on masterclass led by a member of the Learning Team, Amy Wilde. Young artists will explore vibrant colours, brush techniques, and creative expression while learning to paint on silk. Whether you're a beginner or have some experience, this workshop will provide the guidance needed to create stunning artwork and suncatchers.



Children will experiment with various designs, from bold patterns to flowing florals, developing their unique pieces. Each child will create a wooden-effect silk suncatcher to display at home proudly.

Drawing inspiration from the inspiring Victorian silk collections in the History Gallery at the Herbert Art Gallery & Museum, this workshop is a fantastic opportunity for young artists to enhance their skills, get creative, and immerse themselves in the world of silk painting.

Age: Dates:	Children aged 8-16yrs. (Parents are not required to stay but are welcome to) Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Times:	10.30am – 12.30pm and 2pm – 4pm
Cost:	Online booking required £14.25 per child and includes admission to the museum. Accompanying adults must pay adult entry fee on arrival.
Website:	https://www.theherbert.org/whats-on/1856/art-masterclass-silk-painting

# Wishing all our families a Happy Easter!

