

# Fun in Brum

Christmas Holiday  
23/12/2017 to 07/01/2018



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# Fun in Brum

Welcome to the latest edition of Fun In Brum produced by the Early Years Service. We hope you find the information useful. There are loads of exciting things to do for all the family and some of them are totally free. We have added contact details of Birmingham Libraries which often run activities during school holidays. The activities are listed in date order.

## **Fun for All**

This edition contains a wide range of activities including some for disabled children and young people up to the age of 19 in some cases. When we have been told that an activity or event is inclusive we have added the following text - If your child or young person has a disability, please call the organisation for further information. Whilst we have been assured these activities are inclusive we would always recommend that you call ahead to discuss your child's needs to ensure they are able to meet them.

Please note that some activities are only available to children and young people living in specific areas. Please contact activity organisers to check availability.

## A Christmas Carol - Blue Orange Theatre

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Ebenezer Scrooge, is well-known for his miserly ways and unkind spirit. One Christmas Eve, Scrooge is visited by the ghost of his old business partner, Jacob Marley, who is eager for Scrooge not to share his miserable fate in the afterlife. He sends three spirits to teach Scrooge a valuable lesson about his mean, selfish behaviour and that there is still time for him to change his wicked ways.

Dickens' supernatural tale of redemption and the Christmas spirit is one of the most iconic seasonal tales of all time.

Blue Orange Theatre, 118 Great Hampton Street, Birmingham B18 6AD.

Telephone No: 0121 212 2643

Website: [www.blueorangetheatre.co.uk](http://www.blueorangetheatre.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 30/12/2017 **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

After purchasing tickets you will receive a receipt for the transaction. In our attempt to be as green as possible we do not print tickets. All you need to do is give your name at the box office on your arrival and you will be ticked off the list. Each performance in the Blue Orange Theatre uses an unreserved seating format. To qualify as a concession you must be one of the following: Under 16, over 65, unemployed, a full time student or a member of equity. Please note we will require evidence of concessionary status.

## Alice in Wonderland - The Old Rep Theatre

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Join us on a magical adventure through a rabbit hole into Wonderland. This modern adaptation of Lewis Carroll's classic tale follows Alice on her journey through the enchanted and extraordinary Wonderland, meeting many peculiar characters along the way. From intriguing white rabbits, bizarre riddles, mad tea parties and dangerous encounters with the Queen of Hearts, will Alice ever find her way home.

Join the journey this Christmas but remember don't be late for a very important date.

The Old Rep Theatre, Station Street, Birmingham B5 4DY.

Telephone No: 0121 359 94444

Website: [www.oldreptheatre.co.uk](http://www.oldreptheatre.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 30/12/2017 **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

The 1.30pm performance on 27/12/2017 is a Relaxed Performance. These performances are designed for children on the autistic spectrum but anybody is welcome.

The 1.30pm performance on 28/12/2017 is a BSL Interpreted Performance.

## Christmas at Cadbury World

3500

A festive day out wouldn't be complete without seeing the jolly man himself. Now the star of his very own stage show, the Santa experience is packed full of festive fun and music the whole family can enjoy. Armed with a sack full of Christmas gifts for his elves to hand out to visiting children, the exclusive Cadbury World Santa Show is not to be missed.

Watch 'Aladdin' in pantomime

Lots of fun to be had in Wishee Washee's gang, as you find yourself in the truly magical land of Old Peking, where Aladdin tries to woo the ladies with his charm. Will he manage to get the princess of his dreams? Will the evil sorceress, the great and powerful Abereeni, manage to get her claws on the magic lamp? Will the genie ever be free?

Learn how your favourite confectionery is made, play in chocolate rain and add your favourite treat to a pot of delicious warm liquid Cadbury Dairy Milk. Discover the origins of the cocoa bean amidst trees and waterfalls in the Aztec Jungle, before riding the Crunchie rollercoaster in our unique cinema experience, the 4D Chocolate Adventure.

Cadbury World, Linden Road, Bournville, Birmingham B30 1JR

Telephone No: 0844 880 7667

Website: [www.cadburyworld.co.uk](http://www.cadburyworld.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017

**Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

There are twenty 15 minute Santa shows per day from 11am.

You can enjoy any of the seven Aladdin 25 minute shows per day at 12pm, 12:30pm, 1pm, 2pm, 2:30pm, 3pm or 4pm.

Pre-book your tickets for the Christmas Celebration dates to guarantee entry online or over the phone on 0844 880 7667\*. You will also book your time to see Santa on checkout. If booking a main exhibition tour time after 2pm, please arrive at least 2 hours before your chosen time to collect your tickets and visit our 4D Chocolate Adventure zone, Aladdin pantomime and Santa show.

\*Calls cost 7p per minute plus your network access charge.

## Christmas at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens

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Christmas at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens

Birmingham's Magical, Illuminated Trail

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas when the trees and glasshouses of the Birmingham Botanical Gardens are playfully lit and all aglow. There's something for everyone at this festive time of year as a sparkling path winds its way through the Gardens in a magical after dark experience.

Birmingham's newest festive attraction follows a jewel-coloured trail amongst glowing hedgerows and under tree canopies drenched in Christmas colour as seasonal melodies hang in the air. Be welcomed by glittering trees dripping with giant crystals, gaze at the carol-singing cedar coppice rising high into the night sky and pause for a moment of reflection at the flickering Fire Garden. Just ahead, wander through the twinkling Pealight Tunnel before stopping for a kiss at Mistletoe Moment. Framed by spectacular ribbons of brightly coloured light the Lawn Aviary Finale springs to life as it dances in time to much-loved Christmas classics.

Complete your Christmas treat under the stars with spiced cider, mulled wine or hot chocolate whilst the aroma of roasting chestnuts fills the air. Gather to toast your own marshmallows and enjoy the Botanical Garden's well stocked gift shop and other traditional fayre.

For the young ones, and the young at heart, ride the Victorian carousel\*, the steam-boat swing\* or inside a giant bauble at the fabulous giant ChristmasTree\* ..... and don't forget to look out for Santa and his elves along the way.

Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Westbourne Road, Birmingham B15 3TR.

Website: [www.birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk](http://www.birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk)

Tel No: 0121 454 1860

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 30/12/2017      **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

\*Separate charges apply.

This event runs from 29/11/2017 to 30/12/2017.

Dates listed above relate to the period event runs during the school holidays.

## Christmas Spectacular - Symphony Hall

3495

Alan Titchmarsh hosts seasonal music, classic hits, thrilling lights and a sensational indoor firework finale plus high kicks from the Jingle Belles Dancers.

Songs and carols for all include:

Jingle Bells

Frosty the Snowman

Merry Christmas Everyone

The Twelve Days of Christmas

O Come, all ye Faithful

Symphony Hall, Broad Street, Birmingham B1 2EA.

Website: [www.thsh.co.uk](http://www.thsh.co.uk)

Telephone No: 0121 780 3333

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017

**Time:** 2.30pm & 7.30pm

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

Due to the popularity of the Christmas market running from Thursday 16 November to Sunday 24 December the pedestrianised routes from Birmingham's central train stations to our venues will be extremely busy! Please ensure you leave extra time to travel to our events during this busy Christmas Period.

## Christmas Storytelling Session - Boldmere Library

3517

Come and listen to some seasonal stories. Please note parents are requested to stop in the library during the session.

Boldmere Library, 119 Boldmere Road, Birmingham B73 5TU

Telephone No: 0121 464 1048

Website: [www.birmingham.gov.uk/boldmerelibrary](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/boldmerelibrary)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017

**Time:** 11am to 11.30am

**Age Range:** 3 to 7

**Cost:** Free

## Cinderella - Birmingham Hippodrome

3509

Birmingham audiences shall go to the ball in the most magical pantomime of them all, Cinderella. A fabulous cast and orchestra, laugh-out-loud comedy, stunning scenery and special effects, beautiful costumes and plenty of boos and hisses for all the family to enjoy.

Birmingham Hippodrome, Hurst Street, Southside, Birmingham B5 4TB

Telephone No: 0844 338 5000

Website: [www.birminghamhippodrome.com](http://www.birminghamhippodrome.com)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 07/01/2018      **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** 5+

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

Pantomime is loud for a small pair of ears,  
Spectacular sights can sometimes cause tears!  
If bringing a little one, please be aware  
One or two scenes are intended to scare.  
The odd naughty joke for grown-up laughter  
Ensures that we all finish Happily Ever After.

Relaxed Performances – Wed 24 Jan 2018 12pm & 6.15pm

Two specially adapted performances designed to create a more calming atmosphere for audience members with an Autism Spectrum Condition, sensory and communication disorders or a learning disability.  
No under 3's admitted.

## Magical Lantern Festival Birmingham - Kings Heath Park

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Magical Lantern Festival Birmingham is back and it's bigger, better and so much more impressive than last year! The stunning landscaped grounds of Kings Heath Park plays host to the festival this year. This year's Christmas themed Lantern Festival will illuminate the park turning it into a spectacular fusion of dual culture, vibrant colors, and artistic sculptures! Prepare to enter a magical experience and discover life-size and larger-than-life lanterns in all shapes and forms, from a 'Gingerbread House' to a magnificent giant lantern recreation of the iconic 'Birmingham Central Library'.

The festival will not only wow visitors with its beautiful hand-sculpted lanterns, the entertainment area adds another dimension to this wonderful night out with a food and drink area, Santa's Grotto, a handful of fairground rides for children and merchandise marquee where visitors can buy a souvenir of their experience to take home. There is no better family-friendly festival to visit this Christmas.....

Kings Heath Park, Vicarage Road, Kings Heath, Birmingham B14 7TQ.

Website: [www.magicallantern.uk/magical-lantern-festival-birmingham](http://www.magicallantern.uk/magical-lantern-festival-birmingham)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 01/01/2018 **Time:** 5pm to 10pm

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

This event runs from 24/11/2017 to 01/01/2018.

The dates listed above cover the school holiday period.

Event will not be open on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Last entry time to event - 9pm.

## Paddington 2 - (Certificate U) mac birmingham

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Everyone's favourite marmalade sandwich munching bear is back for another adventure. Paddington, now happily settled with the Brown family and a popular member of the local community, picks up a series of odd jobs to buy the perfect present for his Aunt Lucy's 100th birthday, only for the gift to be stolen.

mac birmingham, Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH.

Telephone No: 0121 446 3232

Website: [www.macbirmingham.co.uk](http://www.macbirmingham.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 31/12/2017 **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

Showings on 27/12/2017 at 3.50pm & 29/12/2017 at 12pm will be audio described and subtitled.

## Raymond Briggs' Father Christmas - mac birmingham

3503

Escape into the world of Father Christmas as he prepares for his busiest day of the year: Christmas Eve. Watch as he prepares his Christmas deliveries, feeds his reindeer and finally takes flight into the snowy night.

This heart-warming adaptation is full of merry touches with plenty of live music, songs and playful puppetry. It's a perfect introduction to theatre for young children who won't be able to look away as secret doors and hidden hatches are revealed in this beautifully visual show. A perfect festive treat for children aged 3+ and their families.

mac birmingham, Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH.

Telephone No: 0121 446 3232

Website: [www.macbirmingham.co.uk](http://www.macbirmingham.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 30/12/2017      **Time:** 10.30am, 1.30pm & 6pm

**Age Range:** 3+

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

Join us on Wednesday 27 December, 10.30 am for a very special relaxed performance and touch tour of Father Christmas, ideal for children on the Autistic Spectrum or anyone who would benefit from a more relaxed environment. Please contact our Sales & Info team directly on 0121 446 3232 to book your tickets for this performance.

## Tall Stories: The Snow Dragon - Birmingham Hippodrome

3510

The night of the Snow Dragon approaches...

Billy has everything a young goat could need – and more besides. On New Year's Eve, Billy is looking forward to the annual visit of the legendary Snow Dragon, who will bring him even more goodies...

But when Billy bumps into some hungry wolves in the forest, New Year's Day seems a long way off. How will Billy escape? And has he been naughty or nice?

Birmingham Hippodrome, Hurst Street, Southside, Birmingham B5 4TB

Telephone No: 0844 338 5000

Website: [www.birminghamhippodrome.com](http://www.birminghamhippodrome.com)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 07/01/2018      **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** 3+

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

We still have lots of great seats available for The Snow Dragon although some performances are now limited availability. These include:

Thu 21 Dec, 2pm – Limited availability

Fri 22 Dec, 2pm – Limited availability

Sat 23 Dec, 11am – Limited availability

Sat 23 Dec, 2pm – Sold out

Sun 24 Dec, 1.30pm – Limited availability

Thu 28 Dec, 2pm – Limited availability

Fri 29 Dec, 2pm – Limited availability

This production takes place in The Patrick Centre, Birmingham Hippodrome.

## The Hundred And One Dalmatians - Birmingham Repertory Theatre

3512

Dalmatians Pongo and Missis enjoy an idyllic life with their humans, Mr and Mrs Dearly. Then one day, the house is filled with the patter of tiny paws when Missis gives birth to a litter of adorable puppies. But just as the Dearlys get used to their new housemates, the puppies mysteriously vanish.

With the help of the canine community and an Old English Sheepdog, Pongo and Missis set out on an adventure to find the missing puppies. Their quest leads them to the vicious Cruella de Vil. She hates dogs but loves fur coats and has set her sights on a certain black and white spotty pattern. Will the animals be able to get home safely in time for Christmas.

Birmingham Repertory Theatre, Centenary Square, Broad Street, Birmingham B1 2EP

Telephone No: 0121 245 2000

Website: [www.birmingham-rep.co.uk](http://www.birmingham-rep.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 07/01/2018 **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** 5+

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

As part of our ongoing commitment to making theatre accessible to everyone, we're delighted to announce that we have expanded our Captioning and Audio Described service to include every performance of our Christmas production The Hundred And One Dalmatians.

#### Audio Described

Our Audio Described Performances for The Hundred And One Dalmatians feature pre-recorded narrators describing the action on stage, interspersed between actors' dialogue. You will need to pre-book your headset through BoxOffice and then collect it at the venue for a returnable deposit.

Alternatively, you can access the audio description via a smart phone and headphones by downloading the MobileConnect app and logging on to the MobileConnect wi-fi network. Customers wishing to enjoy an Audio Described Performance should be in their seats 15 minutes before the performance begins in order to hear the full description of the set and costumes. This is also made available online before the show.

#### Captioned performances

During a Captioned Performance, the actors' words appear as visible text on screens at the same time as they are spoken. For The Hundred And One Dalmatians there will be a single caption box placed at the centre of the set. The seats with the best view of the screen will be those near to the centre of rows. If in any doubt, please contact a member of our The BOX Office team on 0121 236 4455

## The Man Who Invented Christmas (Certificate PG) - mac birmingham

3505

The Man Who Invented Christmas tells of the magical journey that led to the creation of Ebenezer Scrooge, Tiny Tim and other classic characters from "A Christmas Carol." Directed by Bharat Nalluri, the film shows how Charles Dickens mixed real life inspirations with his vivid imagination to conjure up unforgettable characters and a timeless tale, forever changing the holiday season into the celebration we know today.

mac birmingham, Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH.

Telephone No: 0121 446 3232

Website: [www.macbirmingham.co.uk](http://www.macbirmingham.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 to 28/12/2017 **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

mac birmingham is serious about film. We listen to our audiences to ensure you get the cinema experience you want. Please note that we do not admit latecomers after the main feature has started, and we have a limited food and drink policy.

## Thinktank Elf Hunt

3497

The Elves are visiting Thinktank to make sure that everyone is behaving themselves over the festive period. You are invited to help join the Thinktank Elf hunt. Pick up a finders sheet at the box office, to use to record all the Elves you find as you explore the museum. When you have found all of the hidden Elves, bring your completed finders sheet to the shop for verification and to receive a prize.

Thinktank, Millenium Point, Curzon Street, Birmingham B4 7XG

Telephone No: 0121 348 8000

Website: [www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/thinktank](http://www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/thinktank)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017 **Time:** 10am to 5pm

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** Normal admission applies

### Additional Information:

This event is included in the price of admission.

This event runs from 16th December to 23rd December.

The date listed above relates to the school holiday period.

## Victorian Christmas Storytelling - The Library of Birmingham

3498

Get in the Christmas spirit with an hour of Victorian storytelling from @SteveOliver76 every Saturday in December 2pm-3pm. The 23rd of December will be a reading of A Christmas Carol.

Steve Oliver reads a selection of seasonal stories from Charles Dickens, L Frank Baum and Oliver Bell Bunce among others. Gather round for a Saturday storytelling show to get you in the mood for Christmas as we go back to the Victorian era, the golden age of Christmas.

Library of Birmingham, Centenary Square, Birmingham B1 2ND

Telephone No: 0121 242 4242

Website: [www.libraryofbirmingham.com](http://www.libraryofbirmingham.com)

**Date/s:** 23/12/2017

**Time:** 2pm to 3pm

**Age Range:** 4+

**Cost:** Free

### Additional Information:

The event will take place on the Story Steps in the Childrens Library.

## Stick Man - Birmingham Town Hall

3514

Touching, funny and utterly original, this award-winning production features a trio of top actors and is packed full of puppetry, songs, live music and funky moves.

Town Hall, Victoria Square, Birmingham B3 3DQ

Telephone No: 0121 780 3333

Website: [www.thsh.co.uk](http://www.thsh.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 26/12/2017 to 07/01/2018

**Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

Sunday 7th January, 3pm, is a Relaxed Performance:

Relaxed Performances are open to everyone but are specifically for people with an Autistic Spectrum Condition, a learning disability or sensory and communication disorder.

They're a great way for family and friends to experience live performances together in an adapted environment. Audience members can dance, sing and clap along – whatever makes them comfortable.

## Wonder (Certificate PG) - mac birmingham

3506

Wonder tells the incredibly inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman. Born with facial differences that, up until now, have prevented him from going to a mainstream school, Auggie becomes the most unlikely of heroes when he enters the local fifth grade. As his family, his new classmates, and the larger community all struggle to discover their compassion and acceptance, Auggie's extraordinary journey will unite them all and prove you can't blend in when you were born to stand out.

mac birmingham, Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH.

Telephone No: 0121 446 3232

Website: [www.macbirmingham.co.uk](http://www.macbirmingham.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 29/12/2017 to 31/12/2017 **Time:** See website for details

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** See website for details

### Additional Information:

mac birmingham is serious about film. We listen to our audiences to ensure you get the cinema experience you want. Please note that we do not admit latecomers after the main feature has started, and we have a limited food and drink policy.

## New Year Crafts: Create a Calendar - Blakesley Hall

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Keep the kids busy during the winter school holidays at Blakesley Hall by creating your very own calendar. Use a variety of craft materials to design and create a unique calendar to use for the new year ahead.

Blakesley Hall, Blakesley Road, Yardley, Birmingham B25 8RN

Telephone No: 0121 348 8120

Website: [www.bmag.org.uk/blakesley-hall](http://www.bmag.org.uk/blakesley-hall)

**Date/s:** 03/01/2018 to 04/01/2018 **Time:** 11.30am to 3.30pm

**Age Range:** Family Event

**Cost:** £1.50 per child

### Additional Information:

Drop in craft session runs from 11.30am until 3.30pm.

## mac Explorers: Story Spark Art Making (SC835)

3507

Create a story book inspired by and featuring six illustrations made with six fun art techniques. Draw with charcoal by torch light, blow paint with a straw, try marble rolling paint, collograph prints, and pen and paper graphic collage.

Learn new art skills, make friends,

Friendship building, co-operation, concentration, new technical skills and therefore new language and concepts.

Leave with a personalised handmade story book full of your inventive art illustrations.

mac birmingham, Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH.

Telephone No: 0121 446 3232

Website: [www.macbirmingham.co.uk](http://www.macbirmingham.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 04/01/2018

**Time:** 10am to 3pm

**Age Range:** 6 to 11

**Cost:** £18

### Additional Information:

This course is suitable for children aged 6 to 11 years. It is open to all ability levels and children don't need previous experience. Parents are not expected to accompany children on these courses. All our staff are DBS checked.

Children need to bring their own lunch to eat on a supervised one hour break. All course materials and equipment are provided.

**If your child has a disability:** The course is accessible for children of all abilities who can participate in practical art and craft activities. We can provide a learning support worker and a parent or carer may assist their child if required. The room is wheelchair accessible. Carers must book a complimentary ticket if attending a course to provide support.

## Musical Theatre (SC790) - mac birmingham

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In this Musical Theatre workshop children will have the opportunity to learn some of the skills and techniques of musical theatre. This will be a day full of fun, laughter and games. The course covers dancing, acting, role play and singing.

mac birmingham, Cannon Hill Park, Birmingham B12 9QH.

Telephone No: 0121 446 3232

Website: [www.macbirmingham.co.uk](http://www.macbirmingham.co.uk)

**Date/s:** 05/01/2018

**Time:** 10am to 3pm

**Age Range:** 6 to 11

**Cost:** £18

### Additional Information:

This course is suitable for children aged 6 to 11 years. It is open to all ability levels and children don't need previous experience. Parents are not expected to accompany children on these courses. All our staff are DBS checked. Children need to bring their own lunch to eat on a supervised one hour break. All course materials and equipment are provided.

Drama and dance require clothing that allows free movement and children should bring a water based drink.

**If your child has a disability:** The course is accessible for children of all abilities who can participate in theatre activities. We can provide a learning support worker and a parent or carer may assist their child if required. Carers must book a complimentary ticket if attending a course to provide support. The room is wheelchair accessible.

## Story Time - Mere Green Library

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Come and join us for Story Time at the library

Mere Green Library, Mere Green Road, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands B75 5BT.

Telephone No: 0121 464 4592

Website: [www.libraryofbirmingham.com/meregreenlibrary](http://www.libraryofbirmingham.com/meregreenlibrary)

**Date/s:** 05/01/2018

**Time:** 10.30am to 11.30am

**Age Range:** Under 5's

**Cost:** Free

## Libraries

Below is a list of Libraries in Birmingham where you can go along with your children to choose their favourite books. Why not give your local library a call or visit the website [www.birmingham.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/libraries) for further details including any events and activities they may be running.

Library	Telephone	Library	Telephone
Acocks Green Library	0121 464 1738	Mere Green Library	0121 464 4592
Aston Library	0121 464 1184	Northfield Library	0121 464 1007
Balsall Heath Library	0121 464 1962	Perry Common Library	0121 464 0481
Bartley Green Library	0121 464 4473	Quinton Library	0121 464 7400
Birchfield Library	0121 464 4202	Selly Oak Library	0121 464 0403
Boldmere Library	0121 464 1048	Shard End Library	0121 464 6779
Bloomsbury Library	0121 464 7335	Sheldon Library	0121 464 3512
Castle Vale Library	0121 464 7335	Small Heath Library	0121 464 6155
Druids Heath Library	0121 303 7171	South Yardley Library	0121 464 1944
Erdington Library	0121 464 0798	Sparkhill Library	0121 303 0732
Frankley Library	0121 464 7676	Spring Hill Library	0121 464 7422
Glebe Farm Library	0121 464 4210	Stirchley Library	0121 464 1534
Kents Moat Library	0121 464 5755	Sutton Coldfield Library	0121 464 2274
Hall Green Library	0121 464 6633	Tower Hill Library	0121 464 1948
Handsworth Library	0121 464 1185	Walmley Library	0121 464 1842
Harborne Library	0121 464 1596	Ward End Library	0121 464 0366
Kings Heath Library	0121 464 1515	Weoley Castle Library	0121 464 1664
Kings Norton Library	0121 464 1532	West Heath Library	0121 464 7548
Kingstanding Library	0121 464 5193	Wydle Green Library	0121 386 5492
Library of Birmingham	0121 242 4242	Yardley Wood Library	0121 464 2110

# Stories from the Web



Stories from the Web ([www.storiesfromtheweb.org](http://www.storiesfromtheweb.org)) is a FREE website used by children and young people from 0 to 16 years where you can find out about books, authors, illustrators and publishers. You can read extracts of books online and then get involved with the activities on the site. Drop into your local library for a user name and password.

## Burbury Park Inclusion Project

This project offers short breaks for disabled children aged 0 - 18 years with a registered childminder. Referrals must be made by a professional who is working with the family.

The project aims to access a registered childminder within the family's locality who can meet the requirements and needs of the young person and family.

The days and times are agreed with the families, the childminder and the project, along with any other specific requirements for the placement to happen.

You can contact us on the project telephone number 0121 554 9678



Birmingham children if eligible can swim for free at the council's swimming pools with a Passport to Leisure Card. For further details call your local leisure centre or visit the website [www.birmingham.gov.uk/sport](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/sport)

### Stuck for places to go? Why not visit Birmingham Museums

**Aston Hall - 0121 348 8100 - Guided Tours only - every Wednesday**

**Blakesley Hall and Weoley Castle - 0121 348 8120**

**Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery - 0121 348 8007**

**Museum of the Jewellery Quarter - 0121 348 8140**

**Sarehole Mill - 0121 348 8160**

**Soho House - 0121 348 8150**

**If you would like the Fun in Brum in a larger print please call 0121 303 1888**

If you have any comments or suggestions about 'Fun In Brum', or you run activities during the school holidays and would like to be listed in future editions, please email us on [familyinformation@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:familyinformation@birmingham.gov.uk)