



Spurgeons
Digital Family Hub



Hi there,

Half term is fast approaching and you may be dreading a whole week of trying to entertain the children!

Here are some simple and affordable to keep them busy:

- **Head out for a wildlife adventure.** Take the children out and encourage them to search for animals, bugs or interesting leaves/ pinecones.
- **Give them a pot and grab some seeds or bulbs to take care of.** They can also enjoy using a magnifying glass to look at garden insects.
- **Get creative with cheap craft supplies!** They could use paint, glitter, air-drying clay, card or pipe cleaners to make their own masterpieces.
- **Baking is a great option for rainy days.** Simple biscuit recipes are a crowd-pleaser and are fun to decorate with icing and sprinkles.
- **Take the kids rock pooling.** Check tide times online before you go and take buckets for them to collect crabs and creatures in.
- **Make use of your local library.** Encourage the kids to pick new books each week to **expand their reading skills.**
- **Try new hobbies.** Look for new activities they might enjoy- anything from cooking to stamp collecting to trying out a new sport.

Download and print our free activity book packed with colouring, wordsearches & Creative things to do

[ACTIVITY BOOK](#)

Teenagers can be more tricky to keep entertained during half term, but it's possible to get them off tech and doing activities:

- **Get them to earn money** by taking on tasks like walking the dog, washing the car or helping with other chores.
- **Ensure they stay active.** They could go for a bike ride, try out a new sport with you/ their friends, or go to the gym.
- Encourage **trying out new hobbies**, like podcasting, photography, film or crafts.
- **Make time to be together.** Even time spent chatting together in the car while driving somewhere is good.
- **Suggest they volunteer** in something that interests them - look up local opportunities online.
- **Plan outings together.** Ideas could include hiking, bowling, going to an exhibition, pottery painting, or going to a cat café.

If you try any of these ideas we'd love to hear how they went - email us at digital@spurgeons.org.

Have a happy half term.

The Spurgeons Digital Team

