Family Updates Newsletter

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24th July 2025

Updates

Hello all families and members of the Ivy House community!

As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding academic year, we'd like to extend our heartfelt thanks for your continued support. It has been a fantastic final few weeks, filled with exciting trips to Conkers, Drayton Manor, our local nature reserve, supermarkets, the Arboretum Café, and the Plot to Plate allotment. Students have also enjoyed the summery weather with plenty of water play and paddling pool fun!

Our Summer Fair was a huge success – thank you to everyone who joined us and supported the event. Keep an eye out for more Friends of Ivy House events in the new school year.

School will reopen on Tuesday 9th September, and we look forward to welcoming our students back then. In the meantime, if you need any support over the summer break, please don't hesitate to contact the Senior Leadership Team via safeguarding@ivy.set.org – this will be monitored by George, Hannah, Alise, and Tara throughout the holidays.

We've also included in this newsletter a selection of summer activity ideas, resources and inspiration to make the holidays feel more inclusive and enjoyable for everyone in your family. If you do go, please share photos on Evidence for Learning, as we'd love to see them!

Wishing you all a safe, happy, and relaxing summer break.
Your Leadership Team

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NurtureCare

NurtureCare have sent home a number of important documents that must be read, completed, and returned in September. It is essential that these forms are filled in accurately, as they ensure we have the most up-to-date medical and care information about your child. This helps us to provide the best possible support for them in school.
If you need any support please let us know.

Active South Derbyshire

SUMMER ACTIVITIES 2025

WELCOME...

...to Active South Derbyshire's summer holiday programme, which is jam packed full of fun activities for you to do and is completely FREE!

Fold out the giant calendar inside to find out day to day what's happening over the school holidays throughout South Derbyshire!

HOW TO TAKE PART...

Parents/carers must complete a consent form BEFORE children take part in activities. This can now be done online, scan the QR code on the front of the leaflet to be directed to the online form. Then you just need to make a note of your unique registration code to register a child's attendance at the sign in desk at any sessions they attend over the summer. Codes from 2024 are still active and can be used.

Please note that all activities are open public sessions in open public spaces and run on a drop in and out basis, meaning young people are free to come and go as they please.

All activities listed are run by qualified, Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checked staff. The staff working at these sessions are there to supervise young people when they are using the equipment only. It is therefore recommended that parents or carers remain at sessions and supervise their children at all times.

Active South Derbyshire is dedicated to promoting health and wellness and provide a wide range of activities across the district that are designed to suit people of all ages and abilities. Whether its something to keep the kids occupied or you are looking to increase your activity levels and take some time for yourself, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Find out more by following our Facebook page or visit the South Derbyshire District Council's website at www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/ASD for the latest updates on sessions and events.

Scan here to follow us:

Contact Active.SD@southderbyshire.gov.uk or telephone 01283 595873

At many sites the parking is limited, we therefore recommended that families use active travel and walk/cycle/scoot to sessions where possible!

MONDAY

Friday 25th July
Family Fun Day in the Forest
ROSLISTON FORESTRY CENTRE, Burton Road, DE12 8JX TIME 10am-3pm
See advert on reverse for details

WEEK 1

Monday 28th July
Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile and Sports Mobile
SWADLINCOTE, Eureka Park TIME 1-4pm

TUESDAY

Tuesday 29th July
Play Mobile
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 10am-12pm
ELVASTON, Featherstone Road Play Area, Featherstone Road, Boulton Moor, DE24 5DE TIME 2-4pm (NEW LOCATION)
Adventure Mobile
ASTON ON TRENT, Playing Fields off Shardlow Road TIME 10am-12pm
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 10am-12pm
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
FNP
(11-16 years only)
SWADLINCOTE, Green Bank Leisure Centre TIME 7-9pm

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday 30th July
Play Mobile
COTON IN THE ELMS, Recreation Ground off Church Street (or Community Centre, Elms Road if wet) TIME 10am-12m
CASTLE GRESLEY, Arthur Street TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
WILLINGTON, Twyford Road Playing Field TIME 10am-12pm
ETWALL, King George V Playing Field, Eggington Road TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
WILLINGTON, Twyford Road Playing Field TIME 10am-12pm
ETWALL, King George V Playing Field, Eggington Road TIME 2-4pm

THURSDAY

Thursday 31st July
Play Mobile
NEWHALL, Newhall Park TIME 10am-12pm
HILTON, Village Hall Site, Peacroft Lane TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
LINTON, Recreation Ground, Main Street, Linton, DE12 6FE TIME 10am-12pm
OVERSEAL, Village Hall Playing Field (or Village Hall if wet) TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
LINTON, Recreation Ground, Main Street, Linton, DE12 6FE TIME 10am-12pm
HILTON, Village Hall Site, Peacroft Lane TIME 2-4pm
SKATEBOARD COACHING
See advert on reverse for details.

FRIDAY

Friday 1st August
BIG FUN FRIDAY
Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile, Sports Mobile:
HATTON, Playing Field, Scropton Road TIME 1-4pm

WEEK 2

Monday 4th August
Play Mobile
HARTSHORNE, Goseley Recreation Ground, Off Mount Road, DE11 7HB TIME 10am-12pm
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
CASTLE GRESLEY, Arthur Street TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
SWADLINCOTE, Eureka Park TIME 2-4pm
SEND Family Session with the Play Mobile and Sports Mobile
MIDWAY, Midway Community Centre, Rowan Drive TIME 10am-12pm

Tuesday 5th August
Play Mobile
ASTON ON TRENT, Playing Fields off Shardlow Road TIME 10am-12pm
NETHERSEAL, Phillip Richardson Memorial Field, Main Street TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
HATTON, Playing Field, Scropton Road TIME 10am-12pm
Sports Mobile
HATTON, Playing Field, Scropton Road TIME 10am-12pm
NETHERSEAL, Phillip Richardson Memorial Field, Main Street TIME 2-4pm
FNP
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SWADLINCOTE, Green Bank Leisure Centre TIME 7-9pm

Wednesday 6th August
Play Mobile
WILLINGTON, Twyford Road Playing Field TIME 10am-12pm
HARTSHORNE, Dunsmore Park, Salisbury Drive, Midway, DE11 7LD TIME 10am-12pm
Adventure Mobile
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 2pm-4pm
Sports Mobile
WILLINGTON, Twyford Road Playing Field TIME 10am-12pm
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 2pm-4pm
SKATEBOARD COACHING
See advert on reverse for details.

Thursday 7th August
Play Mobile
CHURCH GRESLEY, Maurice Lea Memorial Park TIME 10am-12pm
OVERSEAL, Village Hall Playing Field (or Village Hall if wet) TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
NEWHALL, Overseitts Recreation Ground, DE11 0SW TIME 10am-12pm (NEW LOCATION)
HILTON, Village Hall Site, Peacroft Lane TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
NEWHALL, Overseitts Recreation Ground, DE11 0SW TIME 10am-12pm (NEW LOCATION)
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 2-4pm

Friday 8th August
BIG FUN FRIDAY
Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile, Sports Mobile:
WOODVILLE, Recreation Ground, New Road TIME 1-4pm

WEEK 3

Monday 11th August
Play Mobile
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
MIDWAY, Midway Community Centre, Rowan Drive TIME 10am-12pm
FINDERN, Highfields Spencer Academy, Tatbury Ave, DE23 3UX TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
CASTLE GRESLEY, Arthur Street TIME 10am-12pm
COTON IN THE ELMS, Recreation Ground off Church Street (or Community Centre, Elms Road if wet) TIME 2-4pm

Tuesday 12th August
Play Mobile
HILTON, Village Hall Site, Peacroft Lane TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
HARTSHORNE, Recreation Ground, Main Street, DE11 7ES TIME 10am-12pm
OVERSEAL, Village Hall Playing Field (or Village Hall if wet) TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
ASTON ON TRENT, Playing Fields off Shardlow Road TIME 10am-12pm
HILTON, Village Hall Site, Peacroft Lane TIME 2-4pm
SKATEBOARD COACHING
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SWADLINCOTE, Green Bank Leisure Centre TIME 7-9pm

Wednesday 13th August
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Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile and Sports Mobile
CHURCH GRESLEY, Maurice Lea Memorial Park Time 1-4pm
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Thursday 14th August
Play Mobile
HATTON, Playing Field, Scropton Road TIME 10am-12pm
ETWALL, King George V Playing Field, Eggington Road TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 10am-12pm
ELVASTON Featherstone Road Play Area, Featherstone Road, Boulton Moor, DE24 5DE TIME 2-4pm (NEW LOCATION)
Sports Mobile
HATTON, Playing Field, Scropton Road TIME 10am-12pm
ETWALL, King George V Playing Field, Eggington Road TIME 2-4pm

Friday 15th August
BIG FUN FRIDAY
Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile, Sports Mobile:
MELBOURNE, Melbourne Sports Park, Cockshut Lane, DE73 8DG TIME 1-4pm

WEEK 4

Monday 18th August
Play Mobile
WILLINGTON, Twyford Road Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
HARTSHORNE, Goseley Recreation Ground, Off Mount Road, DE11 7HB TIME 2pm-4pm
Sports Mobile
WILLINGTON, Twyford Road Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
SEND Family Session with the Play Mobile and Sports Mobile
MIDWAY, Midway Community Centre, Rowan Drive TIME 10am-12pm

Tuesday 19th August
Play Mobile
ASTON ON TRENT, Playing Fields off Shardlow Road TIME 10am-12pm
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
WOODVILLE, Recreation Ground, New Road TIME 10am-12pm
CASTLE GRESLEY, Arthur Street TIME 2pm-4pm
Sports Mobile
WOODVILLE, Recreation Ground, New Road TIME 10am-12pm
OVERSEAL, Village Hall Playing Field (or Village Hall if wet) TIME 2-4pm
FNP
(11-16 years only)
SWADLINCOTE, Green Bank Leisure Centre TIME 7-9pm

Wednesday 20th August
Play Mobile
HATTON, Playing Field, Scropton Road TIME 10am-12pm
ETWALL, King George V Playing Field, Eggington Road TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
HATTON, Playing Field, Scropton Road TIME 10am-12pm
Sports Mobile
CHURCH GRESLEY, Maurice Lea Memorial Park TIME 10am-12pm
ETWALL, King George V Playing Field, Eggington Road TIME 2-4pm

Thursday 21st August
Play Mobile
FINDERN, Highfields Spencer Academy, Tatbury Ave, Derby DE23 3UX TIME 10am-12pm
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 2-4pm
Adventure Mobile
COTON IN THE ELMS, Recreation Ground off Church Street (or Community Centre, Elms Road if wet) TIME 10am-12pm
NEWHALL, Newhall Park TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 10am-12pm
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 2-4pm
SKATEBOARD COACHING
See advert on reverse for details.

Friday 22nd August
BIG FUN FRIDAY
Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile, Sports Mobile:
HILTON, Village Hall Site, Peacroft Lane TIME 1-4pm

WEEK 5

Tuesday 26th August
Play Mobile
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 3-4pm
Adventure Mobile
ASTON ON TRENT, Playing Fields off Shardlow Road TIME 10am-12pm
STENSON FIELDS, Fox Close Playing Field TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
HARTSHORNE, Dunsmore Park, Salisbury Drive, Midway, DE11 7LD TIME 10am-12pm
MELBOURNE, Primary School, Packhorse Road TIME 2-4pm
SKATEBOARD COACHING
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FNP
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SWADLINCOTE, Green Bank Leisure Centre TIME 7-9pm

Wednesday 27th August
Play Mobile
CASTLE GRESLEY, Arthur Street TIME 10am-12pm
OVERSEAL, Village Hall Playing Field (or Village Hall if wet) TIME 2pm-4pm
Adventure Mobile
SWADLINCOTE, Eureka Park TIME 10am-12pm
HILTON, Village Hall Site, Peacroft Lane TIME 2-4pm
Sports Mobile
SWADLINCOTE, Eureka Park TIME 10am-12pm
OVERSEAL, Village Hall Playing Field (or Village Hall if wet) TIME 2pm-4pm

Thursday 28th August
Family Fun Day in the Forest
ROSLISTON FORESTRY CENTRE, Burton Road, DE12 8JX TIME 10am-3pm
See advert on reverse for details

Friday 29th August
BIG FUN FRIDAY
Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile, Sports Mobile:
WALTON ON TRENT, Cricket Club, Station Lane TIME 1-4pm

Please note that all activities are open public sessions in open public spaces and run on a drop in and out basis, meaning young people are free to come and go as they please. The staff working at these sessions are there to supervise young people when they are using the equipment only. It is therefore recommended that parents or carers remain at sessions and supervise their children at all times.

We reserve the right to remove a participant from a session or to cancel booked sessions immediately if participants are misbehaving, using equipment irresponsibly, failing to follow instructions or causing upset and/or harm to staff or other participants.

Not all activities listed may run at every session. The delivery of activities is subject to the weather, please check our social media pages for updates or alternatively call the Active Communities and Health Office on 01283 595873.

All activities on this calendar are listed as FREE because Parish Councils have paid for these activities to be in your local area.

The activities in and around the Swadlincote area are free because the Sator South Derbyshire Partnership has covered the cost.

Occasionally the Council's key partners such as the Youth Service, Police and others may visit sessions to engage with those in attendance.

South Derbyshire VISITOR INFORMATION Centre

For further ideas on all that South Derbyshire has to offer this summer and all year round, why not drop by the Visitor Information Centre at No.1 High Street, Swadlincote (DE11 8JG) call 01283 223333 or go to www.visitsouthderbyshire.co.uk

Find us on Facebook Active South Derbyshire

Use the link below for more details on this scheme – Active South Derbyshire

Lea Green

SEN Soft Play Sessions
Lea Green offers dedicated soft play sessions for both adults and children with additional needs. Places are limited to just 25 people per session.

Price
£7 per participating person – includes hot drinks for parents / carers.
Payment can be made by card in advance or cash on the day.

Dates
Wednesday 13th August 13:00 – 15:00
Friday 15th August 10:00 – 12:00
Friday 22nd August 10:00 – 12:00
Friday 22nd August 13:00 – 15:00
Thursday 28th August 10:00 – 12:00
Friday 29th August 10:00 – 12:00

Click here to visit the Lea Green website

Lea Green

Bright Futures

Visit Derby

23 July - 3 September 2025

Exciting summer holiday events in Derby to keep the whole family entertained. There are a wide range of activities and events for the whole family.

From outdoor cinema and theatre performances to fun-filled family festivals, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Please see the below guide to the best summer happenings in Derby, to help create cherished memories during your holiday.

Please click the link below for their website:
Visit Derby

Umbrella Events

Umbrella are offering free events for families over the summer, including family fun picnic, forest school and child and parent groups.

Please follow the link below for more information:

Activities & Events Calendar – Umbrella

Ivy House Hydrotherapy Pool

Our Hydrotherapy pool is available for private hire on the following days:

Tuesday 29th July
10.00 till 10.30 hydro swim
10.30 till 11.00 family swim
11.00 till 11.30 hydro swim
11.30 till 12.00 hydro swim

Thursday 31st July
10.00 till 10.30 hydro swim
10.30 till 11.00 family swim
11.00 till 11.30 hydro swim
11.30 till 12.00 hydro swim

Tuesday 19th August
10.00 till 10.30 hydro swim
10.30 till 11.00 family swim
11.00 till 11.30 hydro swim
11.30 till 12.00 hydro swim

Wednesday 20th August
10.00 till 10.30 hydro swim
10.30 till 11.00 family swim
11.00 till 11.30 hydro swim
11.30 till 12.00 hydro swim

Thursday 28th August
10.00 till 10.30 hydro swim
10.30 till 11.00 family swim
11.00 till 11.30 hydro swim
11.30 till 12.00 hydro swim

Tuesdays 2nd September
10.00 till 10.30 hydro swim
10.30 till 11.00 family swim
11.00 till 11.30 hydro swim
11.30 till 12.00 hydro swim

Hydro Swim: £22 per session
Family Swim: (Up to 4 people) £23 per session
£6 per - each additional person.

Please email Jax on: pool@ivy.set.org if you wish to book any of these sessions or to enquire about private swimming lessons or private hire.

You can also visit our dedicated Hydrotherapy Pool website page: www.ivyhouseschool.org.uk/about-us/hydrotherapy-pool