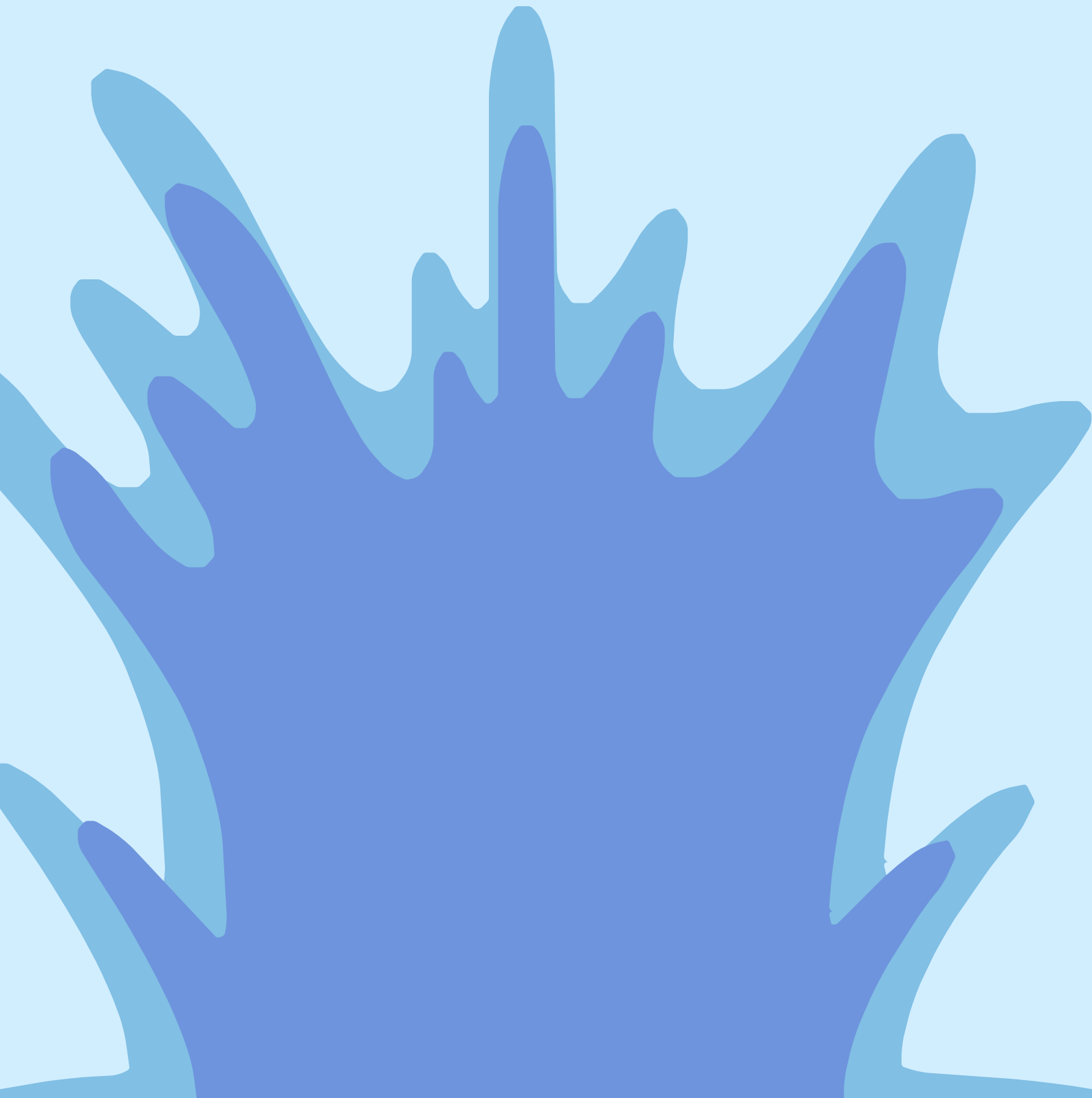


Swindon SEND

Summer Activities

July 2026



Welcome to the 2026 edition of the Swindon SEND Summer News Splash, the sixth edition of our annual summer newsletter.

Inside, you'll find a wide range of activities, events and places to visit across Swindon to help children, young people and families make the most of the summer holidays.

While some activities are specifically designed for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), many are open to everyone. If you have any questions about accessibility or would like to discuss your child's individual needs, please contact the activity organisers directly before attending.

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Haydon Wick
Parish Council

WILD WICK

**SUMMER
EXTRAVAGANZA '26**
Saturday 8th August
2pm - 7pm

SAVE THE DATE

Trent Road Playing Field, Haydon Wick SN25 3NG (W3W: timeless.jolly.vintages)
LIVE MUSIC & PERFORMANCE | FUN FAIR | FOOD | PUB | ENTERTAINMENT & more...

Stay informed, follow us on   @HaydonWickParishCouncil and www.haydonwick.gov.uk

Haydon Wick Parish Council are hosting a Summer Extravaganza on Saturday 8th of August 2-7pm at Trent Road Playing Field, Haydon Wick SN25 3NG.

The day will be fun packed with live music and performances, food and a fun fair.

To find out more click here: <https://haydonwick.gov.uk/whats-on/>



WEDNESDAY 26TH AUGUST
12PM TO 3PM

**FREE
ENTRY**

JOIN US FOR OUR 2026

PARTICIPATION SUMMER EVENT



**BBQ FIELD,
LYDIARD PARK
SWINDON
SN5 3PA**

**BBQ • SPORTS • GAMES
• CRAFTS • FACE PAINTING
ANY MUCH MORE!**

**FOR ALL CARE EXPERIENCED YOUNG
PEOPLE & CARERS!**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT UNDER 18S MUST BE
ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT**

**To find out more, or let us know you're coming, please
contact challengeandparticipation@swindon.gov.uk**





Swindon SEND Families Voice
COMMUNITY FUND

With Amina, Kat or Lyndsay!

SEND STAY & PLAY SUPPORT GROUP

For children aged 0-5 years with SEND
£2 per family

Email: sendstayandplay.ssfv@outlook.com to book a place
When: Every Thursday; 10:00 - 12:00
Where: The Meadow, Leigh Road, Swindon, SN2 5DE
Please note parents and carers are responsible for their children whilst attending



SEND SOCIAL CLUB!

For young people aged 13-25 years with SEND
Email: sendsocialclub.ssfv@outlook.com to book a place
£5 for 1 young person & 1 parent carer
£2.50 per additional parent carer/young person
When: Thursday 23rd July 6.30pm - 8:30pm
Where: Punjabi Community Centre, Swindon, SN2 7BB
Parents and carers are responsible for their young people and are expected to stay for the session

Swindon SEND Families Voice
COMMUNITY FUND

The SEND social club will also be running on the following dates at the same time and location:

Thursday the 13th of August

Thursday the 27th of August

Summer Reading Challenge



The Summer Reading Challenge is a free holiday activity for children aged 4–11, designed to encourage reading for fun while building confidence and developing reading skills. This year's theme is Read to the Beat, celebrating stories inspired by music, rhythm and creativity. The challenge runs from 20 June to 30 September, giving children plenty of time to read over the summer holidays.

Children can sign up at any Swindon library and collect rewards as they read throughout the challenge, with a certificate available for those who complete it.

Find your nearest library and learn more at:

https://www.swindon.gov.uk/directory/18/libraries_in_swindon

Families can also take part online by creating a free account, setting a reading goal, tracking the books they read and earning digital badges throughout the challenge:

https://api.readingagency.org.uk/users/sign_up



Signal Festival is a radical showcase of talent and opportunity for Swindon's young people 9 - 25. Signal cultivates art, supports artists and enriches audiences. Let's Celebrate Together.

24th July - 1st August 2026

What's On

With over 40 events spanning music, dance, visual arts and more, this year's Signal Festival has something for everyone!

Signal aims to build creativity in Swindon and give young people the necessary skills and resources. They want young artists and enthusiasts to feel like they can succeed artistically in their hometown and flourish creatively. The programme is delivered by a wide range of professional artists, giving you a chance to try new art forms, discover your talents and develop your existing skills. Beginners and experienced all welcome!

For more information visit: <https://www.signalfestival.co.uk/>

Lydiard Park - Summer Activities



The Great British Food Festival

The Great British Food Festival attracts lots of producers showcasing the best in local, seasonal and specialty food and drink, and it's a great opportunity to get a real taste of the best of Great British produce. You can try some more exotic elements or the best local burgers and sausages for those with more traditional tastes!

Date: Saturday 1st - Sunday 2nd August

Where: Lydiard Park

Find out more at

<https://www.lydiardpark.org.uk/event/great-british-food-festival/>



Mayhem of Mad4Animals

Come and watch Mad4animals where animals, entertainment and education collide!

Meet animals from all over the world such as snakes and spiders, and learn some funny and fantastic facts about them in this unique animal show.

After the show there will be time for you to handle some of the animals, and even have pictures with the giant snakes!

Date: Saturday 8th August

Where: Lydiard Park

Find out more at

<https://www.lydiardpark.org.uk/event/mayhem-of-mad4animals/>



TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

"Have Fun with Family!"

Join us for a family fun picnic. Bring your teddies and a sandwich, we'll provide the snacks and a sweet treat along with games & activities.



Thursday 20th August



Coate Water Country Park



11:30 – 13:30



Book your tickets – £5 each
www.wiltshiretreehouse.org.uk



BEST

BE A BETTER YOU

SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP!

FOR KIDS
AGES
5-16

£22
PER DAY

MAD SCIENTIST WEEK!



SCIENCE CAN BE
MAD... AND AMAZING!

COMMUNITY HERO'S WEEK!



THANKING THE BRAVE.
BUILDING A BETTER
COMMUNITY.

JUNGLE EXPLORER WEEK!



ADVENTURE.
DISCOVER.
GROW.

CARNIVAL WEEK!



AMAZING
CIRCUS FUN!

Disney WEEK!



MAGICAL FUN,
DISNEY STYLE!

PRICE INCLUDES



HOT MEAL



HEALTHY
SNACK

SPECIAL OFFER!

£20 PER DAY

IF YOU BOOK THE FULL WEEK

£80 PER WEEK



RUNNING FROM
27TH JULY
TO
28TH AUGUST



DAYS

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday
(Excluding Wednesdays)



TIME

8:45am
to 3pm



LOCATION

Haydon Centre
and Gym
SN25 1QQ



HOW TO BOOK

If you would like to
book a private space
email

info@bestrust.co.uk

or call us on

01793 200124

STRATTON YOUTH!



Stratton St Margaret
Parish Council



MONDAY

LOWER STRATTON YOUTH CLUB

3.30pm - 4:30pm
For ages 9 - 14
@ Grange Leisure and
Community Centre



TUESDAY

MEADOWCROFT TODDLER GROUP

1pm - 2.30pm
Up to age 3
@ Meadowcroft
Community Centre



COLEVIEW OUTREACH

3.30pm - 5.30pm
@ Coleview Community
Centre area

SAFE SPACE

6pm - 7pm
For ages 7 - 14
experiencing
bereavement or in
care
@ Beechcroft Library



WEDNESDAY

MINI YOUTH CLUB

3.30pm - 5pm
For ages 6 - 9
@ Meadowcroft
Pavilion

NEURODIVERISTY CLUB

6pm - 7pm
For ages 10 - 25
@ Meadowcroft
Pavilion

YOUTH CLUB

5pm - 6pm
For ages 9 - 14
@ Meadowcroft
Pavilion



THURSDAY

YOUTH CLUB

3:30pm - 5.30pm
For ages 9 - 14
@ Meadowcroft
Pavilion

HOMEWORK CLUB

6pm - 7pm
For ages 11 - 16
@ Beechcroft Library



FRIDAY

YOUTH CAFE

3.30pm - 5pm
For ages 14 - 17
@ Brew Book Cafe
Beechcroft Library



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info@strattonstmargaret.gov.uk



Rock The Tots: Summer Party!

Steph & Craig and their puppet friends perform gigs for little people... and their grown-ups! Suitable for ages 0-10

Date: Wednesday 29th July 2026

Where: Town Gardens Bowl

Ticket Price: £9 (Adult & Child pair)

£5 (Adult)

£4 (Child 0-16 years)

[Get your tickets here](#)

The Jungle Book

Funny, exciting and wildly entertaining, this AOOO-some musical will have you howling with laughter: It's the perfect treat for the whole family!

Date: Sunday 2nd August 2026

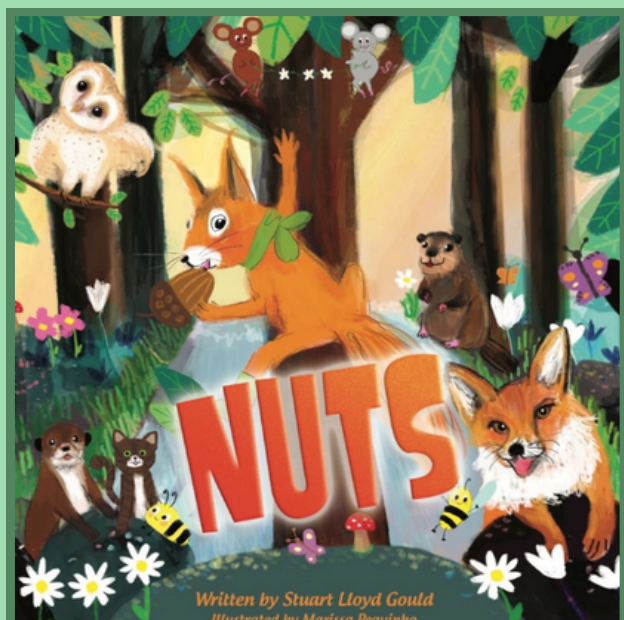
Where: Lydiard Park

Ticket Price: £16 (Adult)

£13 (Child 3-15 or Student)

£50 (Family ticket)

[Get your tickets here](#)



Nuts by Stuart Lloyd Gould

Cyril the Squirrel awoke from his slumber, the first thing on his mind, count his Nuts, what's the number?

Date: Tuesday 4th August 2026

Where: Town Gardens Bowl

Ticket Price: FREE

[Get your tickets here](#)

The Link Centre offers plenty of opportunity for young people with SEND. Some of the available activities are:

SEND Ice Skating

A dedicated session suitable for children and adults with additional needs and abilities. Skating aids such as penguins and snowmen are available. Wheelchairs are welcome on the ice. We regret the Link Centre will not provide extra wheelchairs.

Duration: 45 minutes

Admission: £4.70 per person (each ticket includes free entry for 1 carer)

Times: Every Tuesday from 11:00 - 11:45 (12:00 - 12:45 during school holidays)

SEND Jump Session

Duration: 1 hour (15 minutes briefing, 45 minutes jumping)

Admission: £4.70 per person (each ticket includes free entry for 1 carer)

Times: Tuesdays at 10:00 - 11:00 & 12:30 - 13:30 (9:00 - 10:00 during school holidays)

Thursdays at 13:30 - 14:30 (9:00 - 10:00 during school holidays)

Fridays at 16:00 - 17:00 (Not available during school holidays)

SEND Inclusive Swim (16+)

This dedicated swimming session is suitable for adults aged 16 and over with learning and/or physical disabilities, providing a relaxed and supportive environment to enjoy the pool. The session is best suited to those who require one-to-one support from a carer in the water. Accessible facilities include a pool pod, pool hoist, and accessible changing facilities. Each paying participant is entitled to one free carer admission.

When: Every Tuesday, 2:00pm–3:00pm

Duration: 60 minutes

Cost: £4.70 per person (includes free entry for one carer)

Booking: Tickets can be booked up to 7 days in advance.

For more information visit: <https://www.better.org.uk/leisure-centre/swindon/the-link-centre/inclusive-the-link-centre>

Coate Water Splash Park

Dedicated SEND sessions are available at Coate Water Splash Park every Wednesday from 10:00am to 11:00am, offering children and young people with additional needs the opportunity to enjoy the splash park in a quieter, more relaxed environment.

Places are limited to 30 people per session, so booking is essential. To book, email SwindonRangers@swindon.gov.uk by the Monday before your preferred session, including the names of everyone attending, a contact number and your preferred date.



Moredon Sporting Hub - Cycling

The Moredon Sporting Hub boasts excellent cycling activities catering for all ages and abilities, whether you're taking your first turn of the pedal or are an experience cyclist.



MOREDON
SPORTING HUB

Limitless Family Cycling

The session is exclusively for SEND families. Enjoy cycling together on the enclosed, traffic-free tracked. Adapted cycles & helmets available.

Saturdays 2:00 - 3:30pm

Tuesdays 4.30 - 6:00pm

For more information, visit

<https://centralswindonnorth-pc.gov.uk/moredon-sporting-hub/cycling/>



Swindon Town FC Community Foundation

Football and Fun in the School Holidays - Multi-sports course

Most of the holiday courses are conducted in Swindon and the local vicinity, with some highly successful programs being held previously throughout the County.

In addition to the Core Course, Swindon Town FC offers specialised camps for Goalkeepers, Girls Only, and a Multi-Sports course designed for children with disabilities, ensuring an inclusive and diverse range of options.

For more information and booking, visit

<https://www.stfcfoundation.com/programmes/courses-packages/holiday-courses>





MUSEUM & ART SWINDON

Enjoy a free day out exploring Swindon's collections of art, archaeology and local history. The museum hosts a changing programme of exhibitions alongside family-friendly activities and seasonal events, making it a great place to visit during the summer holidays.

Address: Civic Offices, Euclid Street, Swindon, SN1 2JH

Contact: 01793 466556

Email: museumartswindon@swindon.gov.uk



Museum of the Great Western Railway

STEAM – Museum of the Great Western Railway

Step back in time and discover Swindon's railway heritage at this award-winning museum. Explore beautifully restored steam locomotives, interactive exhibits and hands-on displays that bring the story of the Great Western Railway to life. There are also regular family activities and events throughout the school holidays.

Address: Fire Fly Avenue, Swindon, SN2 2EY

Contact: 01793 466646

Email: steammuseum@swindon.gov.uk



The Museum of Computing

Discover the fascinating history of computers and digital technology at the UK's first physical museum dedicated to computing. With a wide range of hands-on exhibits, visitors can experience how computers, games consoles and technology have evolved over the decades, making it a fun and educational day out for all ages.

Address: 6-7 Theatre Sq, Swindon SN1 1QN

Email: info@museumofcomputing.org.uk.

Find out more: <https://www.museumofcomputing.org.uk/visiting-us/>

Swindon is home to a range of parks all across the borough that are all free to enter. Below is just a few of the parks and open spaces in Swindon. To find out more visit https://www.swindon.gov.uk/directory/24/parks_and_open_spaces_in_swindon Please note that some parks may have paid or no parking nearby.



Coate Water Country Park

A great spot for a family day out, with a large lake, woodland walks, a splash park, play area, and plenty of space for picnics.

Coate Water Country Park,
Marlborough Road,
Swindon,
SN3 6AA



Mouldon Hill Country Park

Perfect for exploring nature, with scenic walking and cycling trails, open green spaces, and peaceful lakes that are ideal for wildlife spotting.

Mouldon Hill Country Park,
Thamesdown Drive,
Swindon,
SN25 1WP



Lydiard Park

A beautiful historic park featuring formal gardens, woodland walks, a children's play area, and a stunning Palladian house set within expansive grounds.

Lydiard House & Park
Lydiard Tregoze
Swindon
SN5 3PA



Town Gardens

A charming Victorian park in the heart of Swindon, offering colourful flower displays, a bandstand, children's play area, and a relaxing place to unwind.

Town Gardens,
36 Quarry Rd,
Swindon,
SN1 4EN