# Organised activities and opportunities for children and young people outside of school – Radstock & Westfield

# Confessions of The Youth Theatre Company

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Confessions of the Youth Theatre Company was founded in September 2014, born out of the desire to give children and young people a voice through creative freedom. The company is devoted to creating new and exclusives pieces of theatre through the thoughts and experiences of the youth.

Our weekly workshops:

During this time the children are encouraged to embrace and explore the given task using Dance, Drama and Singing. Some sessions will involve script/song writing, co-directing, using video equipment to record and produce mini films or vlogs. Leading up to performances extra rehearsals will be added and parents will be informed in due time. Once every three months our OPEN SESSION takes place, where parents are encouraged to take part in or observe workshops to give them their own Confessions experience.

# Beavers, Cubs, Scouts

www.scouts.org.uk

We are the UK's biggest mixed youth organisation. We change lives by offering 6 to 25-year-olds fun and challenging activities, unique experiences, everyday adventure and the chance to help others so that we make a positive impact in communities.

Scouts helps children and young adults reach their full potential. Scouts develop skills including teamwork, time management, leadership, initiative, planning, communication, self-motivation, cultural awareness and commitment. We help young people to get jobs, save lives and even change the world.

# Girl Guides

www.girlguiding.org.uk

They go to their first ever sleepover, canoe on rivers, learn about body confidence, lead their own camp, or simply have fun and try new things with girls their age.

Girls take what they do in guiding with them as they grow up. They develop the skills and confidence that they need to reach their potential - as students, colleagues, parents, friends and citizens - and become the young women that they want to be.

#### Youth Connect

http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/children-young-people-and-families/youthconnect

Contact: Sam Plummer 07980998670; Katy Roberts 07966880422

There are four youth hubs: Southside and Riverside in Bath, Peasedown St John, and Radstock, as well as the Mobile outreach hub service available in many locations across the area.

These provide a wide range of positive activities including sports, music, arts and craft, discussion groups plus advice and guidance on a range of issues affecting young people. All projects are part of the SAFE scheme which provides sexual health advice and C Cards.

Radstock:	Mon 7pm-9pm, yrs 7, 8, 9 only.
50p	Thurs 7pm-9pm
Westfield:	Mon 3.30pm-5.30pm - detached Tues 7pm-9pm – Westfield Methodist Church Hall

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is for all young people aged 14-25. It gives opportunities for personal achievement, community and social involvement, adventure and widening of interests. The award offers self- belief, self-confidence and independence and that's just for starters! It also looks good on your CV. Youth Connect Office on 01225 396980 or email <u>dofe@bathnes.gov.uk</u>

#### Wansdyke Play Association

www.wpa-play.com 01761 568242

WPA is a small, dynamic voluntary sector organisation which has been delivering holiday play activities, Community Playrangers, Outreach Community Play sessions, a youth club and a number of other projects and workshops since 1993. We aim to promote and provide high quality play opportunities to inspire, challenge and empower children, young people and communities to affect positive change.

Midsomer Norton - Youth Project

What is it? A free Youth Club for 11 – 18 year olds based in Midsomer Norton Town Hall.

When? Thursdays, 6.30pm - 8.30pm, Term Time Only.

What's it all about? Weekly drop in sessions, meaning you can come and go as you please – just sign in and out at the door so we know who's on site!

What can I do? Access Xbox One, table tennis and chill out space with blue-tooth speakers as well as a program of activities including cooking, band jams, DJ'ing, graffiti art and more...

Free! Help yourself to teas/coffees/hot chocolate and soft drinks.

**Saturday Club** - Friendly support group designed for and by members, 11 - 18 years, at MSN Town Hall, 10am - 1.30pm, Term Time only.  $\pounds 5$  or  $\pounds 7.50$  with lunch.

Why not come along to NYC events, such as regular cinema nights and Youth-only Cafe

Follow us on our twitter account <u>@Midsomer\_NYC</u> or Facebook –<u>MidsomerNYC</u> for details on upcoming events).

## Radical Youth Hub

A fun, accessible youth hub where anyone under the age of 19 can attend. It's held in The Church Tea Rooms, behind the basketball court, Church Street, Radstock every Friday from 7pm until 9pm.

#### **Bath Area Play Project**

www.bapp.org.uk facebook: @BathPlayProject 01225 832479

They organise play events across the Somer Valley and beyond, see their facebook for details.

<u>Radstock Juniors</u> - A Social Club Supporting Children with Learning Disabilities email laura@keynshammencap.org.uk

Ages: 11 – 18 Day: Every Tuesday during school term time Time: 6:00pm – 7:30pm Location: Radstock Youth and Children's Centre, Church Street, Radstock, Somerset, BA3 3QQ

Radstock Junior Club is a social club for children with Learning Disabilities and aims to offer a range of fun, exciting and stimulating activities. We have a varied

programme of activities each term incorporating a wide variety of music, dance, craft, theme sessions, trips out and more.

## Somer Valley FM

Dom Chambers: 01761 568 004 or manager@somervalleyfm.co.uk

## Traineeships

Traineeships are a fantastic opportunity for 16-24 year olds wanting to start their careers in IT, Business, marketing or media. This puts you on the right pathway for apprenticeship or full time employment. Working with Bath College, or another education partner, successful applicants can expect to spend 1 day a week on the college employability course. The remaining days are spent in work placement at Somer Valley FM. Options include a non accredited employability course and functional skills in maths and English.

## After School Training

Training is available for school years 8-13: our course is designed to introduce candidates to all areas of radio production including:

· Presenting · Editing · Reporting · Technical Operations · Interviewing

#### Pathway To Employment

Somer Valley FM has a specific training strand for young people Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) and Job Seeker adults. Pathway To Employment (P2E) uses radio training, and the development of communication and media skills, as a means to employment. All skills and experience gained are transferable making P2E a firm basis to develop a career or your choice. It's fun, flexible and open to people who want to maximise their career and job prospects. Training is customised to individual needs and includes working out the steps to take into employment. Trainees can also benefit from Somer Valley FM's networks across the region.

#### SWALLOW Charity

01761 414034 www.swallowcharity.org

SWALLOW supports teenagers and adults with learning disabilities to live active and fulfilling lives.

Our work gives the individual support that each person needs by providing a variety of services including: supported housing, independent living skills training, work skills training and work opportunities; therapeutic, educational and sports activities, outreach support in the community and opportunities to socialise and meet up with friends and have fun.

## Exit Stage Left

www.exitstageleft.org

A youth drama group that puts on plays at the Dragonfly Theatre and further afield.

#### Mentoring Plus

Contact: 01225 429694 info@mentoringplus.net

Mentoring usually lasts about a year. At the beginning, you'll meet someone from Mentoring Plus who will find out what you'd like to get out of it, and you'll make a personal plan. We'll match you with a mentor who we think will like doing similar things, or who has a personality we think you'll get along with.

You'll be asked how you feel about your strengths and things affecting your life. As mentoring goes on, you'll be asked to think about some of these things again, so you can see what's changed.

Towards the end of the year, we'll work with you and your mentor to think about how you've got on, make a next steps plan, and decide if you would like any more help and support afterwards.

#### <u> Princes Trust – Inner Flame</u>

www.princes-trust.org.uk Contact Elizabeth Postgate for more details: elizabeth@innerflame.org.uk

The Prince's Trust Team Programme is a full-time personal development course, designed to aid unemployed young people between the ages of 16 and 24 in developing the skills required to not only gain a career, but to be able to live independently, setting and achieving life goals. From getting involved in community projects, to work placements with local employers, the course is extremely varied.

#### **B&NES Children's Centre**

brightstartcc@bathnes.gov.uk www.bathnes.gov.uk/childrens-centres 01225 396660

The team includes Family Support Workers and Early Years Practitioners who work closely with the local Health Visiting service to support families with children under the age of five. Services include: • General information, advice and support for

parents of young children • Access to children's health services, including midwives and health visitors • 1:1 home-based 'Family support' services • Groups run within your community (rhyme time sessions, stay and play sessions) • Support to access; ◊ free early education for three and four year olds (and for two year olds whose parents receive particular benefits) ◊ childcare provided by nurseries/childminders • Support for children with additional needs • Links with employment support services, local training providers, further and higher education institutions and support to gain qualifications.

# The Community Bus

www.thecommunitybus.org.uk 07971225724

Big Blue Bus sessions provide a friendly and welcoming environment for parents, carers and pre-school children to meet in and play. We provide a wide variety of toys and equipment for good quality play experiences and a relaxed atmosphere for adults to chat in. The playbus is an intimate space where children and adults feel comfortable to play and socialise. Adults can develop their parenting skills and share their experiences and make friends in a safe non-threatening environment.

Stay and Play sessions for 0-4 year olds during school term times at:

# MONDAY

HAYDON, HAYDON QUE CLUB, BA3 2DQ, 10am-12pm

PEASEDOWN ST JOHN, BEACON HALL CAR PARK, BA2 8SN, 1pm-3pm

# TUESDAY

TIMSBURY, CONYGRE HALL, BA2 0JQ, 10am-12pm

PAULTON, VILLAGE HALL, BS39 7LW, 1pm-3pm

#### WEDNESDAY

ORCHARD VALE, ORCHARD COMMUNITY HALL, BA3 2RB 10am-12pm

# THURSDAY

BATH, BATH CITY FOOTBALL STADIUM, TWERTON, BA2 1DB, 10am-12pm

<u>Other activities and resources</u> can be found on the Feelgood Bath website: <u>http://www.feelgoodbath.co.uk/resources/category/kids\_holiday\_clubs/19</u>

And the 1 Big Database Bathnes: www.bathnes1bd.org.uk