

Chipstead Valley Primary School

Free or Discounted Activities For Families



With some of the longer school holidays approaching, we thought it would be useful to share some activities that families can access during that time. Although a great break from routine and school, we understand that the holidays can sometimes put an emotional and financial burden on parents. Below are some places and events that offer either free or discounted ways of keeping the children entertained during the holidays.

Take part in a Parkrun



Parkruns are free 5km runs which take place every Saturday morning at 9am. They don't cost anything to enter and each run is timed so you can try and beat your personal best each week. There are a variety of different runs in and around Croydon including Banstead Woods, Nonsuch Park, Priory Park, Lloyd Park and many more.

Find out more: www.parkrun.org.uk/events/events/

Meet the animals at Crystal Palace Park Farm

Here you can meet animals such as goats, chickens, Shetland ponies, pigs, rabbits and guinea pigs and handle snakes and lizards in the exotics room for free.

It's open from noon to 4pm daily except Wednesdays.

Find out more: www.capel.ac.uk/crystal-palace-park-farm.html



Explore RISE Gallery (St George's Walk, Croydon)

This trendy gallery is free during the day and puts on free evening events. Take a trip to see its collection of contemporary, urban contemporary, and post war-pop art. Just don't try and go on a Monday as it's not open!

Play Basketball

Don't bother paying for sports! Head to one of Croydon's parks, including South Norwood Lake and Grounds, Upper Norwood Recreation Ground, Selsdon Recreation Ground and Rickman Hill, and you'll find basketball courts where you can play for free.



Oxygen Trampoline Park (Purley Way)

The 30-Day Pass allows you to visit the trampolines for 30 consecutive days. It costs £35, however one session would normally cost around £12.



Purley Youth Project Juniors

A youth project for those aged 7-13 years. £1 per session and the opportunity to take part in discounted trips as well. They are open from 5.00pm until 7.00pm every Wednesday and also stay open during the school holidays.



Visit Priory Park (Reigate)



This beautiful green space features woodlands, gardens, a pond, and a café. With a wooden ship climbing frameset in a sand-filled playground, as well as a fun splash area, there is plenty to keep any little ones entertained.

Soft Play and other activities The Arc (Caterham)

Open 7 days a week 10am - 5pm

4 to 11 Years- £5.50
18 Months to 3 Yrs- £4.50
Under 17 Months- £1.00
Adults- £1.00



Special Needs Soft Play

Mondays: 17:15 - 18:30

£4.50, Discounted rates for siblings and carers are free. A calmer atmosphere with no music or flashing lights.

Pistachios in the Park (Banstead)

The soft-play is FREE for one hour per child when you spend over £5 in the cafe, otherwise, its £2 per child per hour. For two children, they ask you to spend over £10 or pay £2 for your extra child. This park is a short 166 bus ride from Chipstead Valley Road.

See supercars at Mercedes-Benz World (Weybridge)

Be dazzled by super fast cars on the race track and take a look at vintage vehicles inside the museum at Mercedes-Benz World. It is free to wander around the displays, have a go at the interactive games and pick up motor merchandise from the gift shop.

Open seven days a week.



Some Free Places to Visit in London:

- Natural History Museum
- Science Museum
- Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace
- Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
- Tate Modern- often free workshops and events
- V&A Museum



If you know of any free or discounted local events which would benefit our school community, please contact Miss Harding. Thank you.