

Sunday
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StoryLand

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Welcome to Storyland 2024

Join us for a day of bookish fun for the whole family! Storytelling, interactive author visits, workshops, circus skills, music, food, entertainment and more. All you need to bring is your imagination!

Mr Men, Little Miss: Discover You - Storytelling

Bell Tent | 10.45am & 12pm | Free, booking essential | Age 3+

Experience this ground breaking new series exploring children's emotions, wellbeing and mental health. The storyteller will lead children on a gentle quest journey, touching on key themes in the series in an interactive format complete with live music, nursery rhymes, and action and movement.

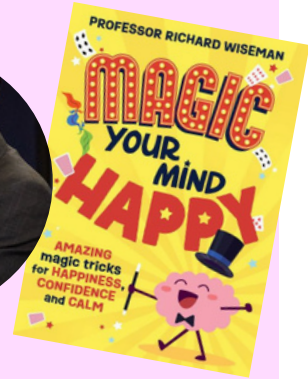
Tell Me About...stories & crafts with Emily Dodd

White Room | 10.45am-11.45am |
£5/£3 | Age 4+

Take a trip from Planet Earth all the way into space. Discover how the planets were made, why earth is getting warmer, why the moon seems to change shape and how we can use the stars to find our way home. Make a phases of the moon bookmark and Planet Earth fridge magnet in this interactive event.



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Prof Richard Wiseman: Magic Your Mind Happy

Theatre | 11am-12pm | £6/£4 | Age
8+ & Families

This is magic for your mental health! Psychologist and member of the prestigious magic circle Professor Richard Wiseman reveals how magic can help you grow your confidence, feel happier and boost your brain power! Explore some of the worlds greatest optical illusions, find out why learning to perform the impossible is good for you, and discover how to transform a tea towel into a chicken!



Adventure Babies


Library | 11.15am (mobile babies), 12.30pm & 1.45pm
(non-mobile babies) | £3 | Age 0-4

Enjoy time with your little ones led by Ashleigh from Adventure Babies as she brings a brilliant book to life. Adventure Babies is a unique blend of interactive storytelling, sensory play opportunities and exciting puppets and props. Ashleigh will be running a beach themed session reading 'Rockpool School', an Adventure Babies original book!

Young Writers Drop-In

Studio | 11.30am-1pm | Free | Age 9-13

Does your child dream of being the next Katherine Rundell, Alice Oseman or David Almond? Drop into this informal session and try some fun creative writing exercises and chat to workshop leader Amanda Quinn, a North-East writer and tutor. Everyone welcome (including parents/carers) – any time between 11.30am-1pm.



Run away and join the circus for a day and get the chance to become a circus star with Newcastle Circus Skills!

Aerial Skills Workshops

1pm & 2.30pm | £7 - booking essential | 6+

Circus Skills Workshops

1pm & 2.30pm | £2 - drop-in on the day | All ages

All workshops take place in the park opposite the bandstand.



Emily MacKenzie

White Room | 1pm-1.45pm | £5/£3 |
Age 4+

Calling budding artists and library lovers! Join local author and illustrator Emily MacKenzie for a reading and draw along of her latest book. Ralfy and his little brother Rodney LOVE reading – so when they hear that their local library is closing down, they know they have to do something. Can you help Ralfy Rabbit save the local library?

Emily Dodd

Theatre | 1pm-2pm | £6/£4 | Age 4+

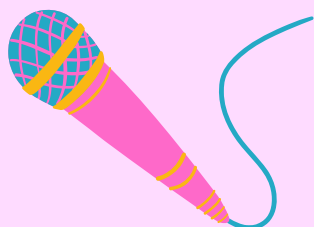
Emily Dodd invites you to an interactive show to track down the naughty nut thief. Rosie's secret hazelnut store has been ransacked and her best friend Charlie agrees to help her to find the naughty nut thief. Discover the different ways animals eat nuts with songs, science, woodpecker hip-hop and a water squirting squirrel.



Spoken Word Workshop

Studio | 1.30pm-3pm | £5 | Age 8-12

Want to make your voice heard? Join performance poet Amy Langdown to learn how to write and perform poetry that helps you raise your voice and share what's important to you. You'll also take part in a special performance for your family and friends. No experience needed. Parents/carers welcome.



Spoken Word Performance

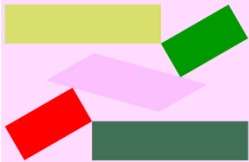
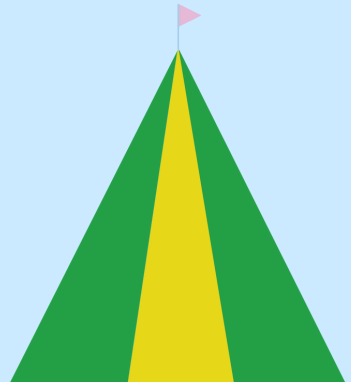
Studio | 3.30pm-4.15 | Free | Age 8+

Enjoy a spoken word performance by local young writers and find out what matters to them. The session will be hosted by performance poet Amy Langdown.

Family Silent Disco

Bell Tent | 2.30pm-4pm | Free | Drop-In

Put your dancing shoes on for our Book-Themed silent disco. Suitable for the whole family.



Join Us In The Park!

Circus Skills Show | 11.15am | Free | Drop-in

Face Painting and Craft Activities | Drop-in, prices vary

Book Swap & Reading Nook

The Big Picnic | Bring a blanket, kick back and enjoy live music and entertainment!

Live Music from The Bandstand Sessions | 12pm | Free

Skate Park Demos and Drop-In | Free

Community Stalls & Activities

Food & refreshments from:

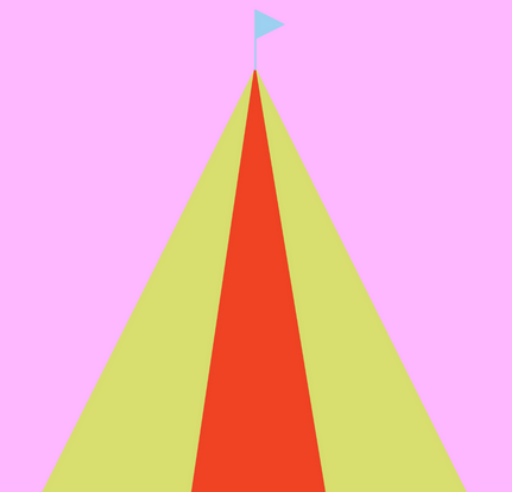
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