

# The Open Air



## Wellie Walks: *with stories, arts, music & play*

A weekly arts and nature group for under 5s with parents or carers. Thursdays - 13th Oct to 15th Dec (term time only), 10am to 12noon £2 per child (subsequent children £1)

Special offers for parents in the cafe - tea or coffee £1 and cake £1

## Magic Monday: *Halloween run-around & viola adventure!*

An afternoon of den-building, stories, music & craftyness! Rachael Birkin will lead us on a Viola trail through the gardens and museum, Hilda & Mike will tell stories and play games, and Suzie & Sue will be making things, plus a pumpkin hunt!

Monday - 24th October, 1.00pm to 3.00pm, with extra time to stay and play £5 per family. Cafe open for cakes and drinks

## The Sky's the Limit: *Art Sessions for young people with disabilities*

Creative sessions for children/young people with disabilities (please email to check we have facilities to accommodate). Arts & crafts, creative writing, film-making, story-telling, poetry, and anything creative goes! Independent working or group activity is optional. Attendees can study towards an Arts Council Arts Award.

Suitable for 9 years or over. 10 places only. Carers are advised to stay unless there is a high level of independence (email [hilda@richardjefferies.org](mailto:hilda@richardjefferies.org)).

Saturdays - 5th November 2016 to 26th November, 1.00pm - 3.00pm £5 per session, or all 4 sessions £15 in advance. (Get in touch if you need a bursary)

## Tree Dressing Party!

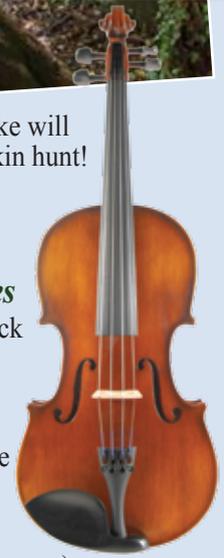
Love Trees? We do! Wrap up warm and come and show them your appreciation. Bring a scarf, ribbons, bunting, lights, lanterns, baubles or bells. We'll have a magical festival with tree themed activities and stories for the kids, plus hot drinks for the thirsty.

Sunday 4th December, 1.00pm - 3.00pm, with extra time to stay and play £5 per family. Cafe open for cakes and drinks

## Magic Monday: *Victorian Christmas Crafts and Carols*

Come to our specially decorated lounge and gardens, make your own Christmas cards and crackers, sit around the fire tree to sing along with your favourite festive songs and carols, and listen to Christmas tales from our very own 'unique' Santa.

Monday - 12th December, 1.00pm to 3.00pm, with extra time to stay and play £5 per family. Cafe open for Christmas cake, mince pies and drinks



## FOR ADULTS

### Creative Journaling

*with Jill Carter, Multi-Media Artist*

Enjoy drawing and writing inspired by journeys, both real and imagined. Mindfully reflect, collect and document observations of self in response to people, place and time. Have fun outside/inside, with inks, brushes, dip pens and mixed media, to explore experiential and experimental collective and individual storytelling.

This workshop may lead on to a series of creative hub sessions.

Thursday 24 November, 2.00pm - 4.30 pm

£10 per person

### Write Poetry! *Beginners' class*

Join Hilda Sheehan for a poetry writing course for all levels and abilities. Be inspired by poetry and exciting words to create your own work in a supportive group.

Mondays - 7th November to 28th November, 6.00pm - 6.00pm

£20 for whole four week course, paid in advance. (Get in touch if you need a bursary)

### History Salon: *the past brought to life*

Join Mike Pringle for a new series of talks on aspects of local history/pre-history, and learn about the ancient and not so ancient world on your doorstep.

Talk 1: On the Trail of Ancient Stones. Talk 2: Everything Made of Clay.

Wednesdays - 9th November and 14th December, 12.15pm - 1.15pm

£2 contribution per talk. Series continues in 2017 with different speakers



### Friendship Cafe - *for elders*

Friendly sessions for older people. Come and enjoy poetry, art, museum pieces and history talks in an informal setting for friendship and chat. Dementia friendly.

Mondays - 7th November to 12th December, 10.30am - 12noon

FREE Includes tea and cake

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**"There they left their coats and slung up their luncheon-bundles to the branches; there the children played!"**

From 'The Open Air' by Richard Jefferies