



Hackney Play Schemes & Activities - Easter Half Term 2024

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This guide will be updated at:

<https://education.hackney.gov.uk/ChildcarePlay/Documents/Playschemes.pdf> and on our Facebook/Twitter pages (links are shown above and later in this guide).

Playschemes & Activities

Please contact the schemes directly for further information or to book a place. Where provided, Ofsted registration status is shown but we advise you to check the details with the setting.

Playschemes

Digitally cool coders

Location : Dunsmure Road London N16 5PU

Ofsted registered : N?A

Description : Give your child a Happy Easter break with our jam packed fun days of activities this Easter! From Teddy Bear Picnic: Easter Eggs Hunt : Going to the Veg Patch: Movies: Coding: Science Workshops: Cup caking making: Cooking: Sports: Archery: Get fit dancing...and a take-away most days. Ask About our... Discounts available: Early Bird: £10.00 Bring a friend: £10.00 each Siblings Discount :£10.00 each Free Funded places available T&C ** or Flexible payment – Pay In Three T&C** applies.

Age range : 5–11 years old

Dates & times : Tuesday 2nd April – Friday 12th April 2024

Cost :£30 daily

Contact details : Ruth:07932603684
digitallycoolcoders@gmail.com
www.digitallycoolcoders.net

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Hackney Education Easter Holiday Scheme

Location : Benthall Primary School, Benthall Road, Hackney, London, N16 7AU.

Ofsted registered : Yes

Description : The holiday scheme organised by Hackney Education presents a varied array of captivating activities tailored to enrich the overall experience for children. These activities encompass a broad spectrum, spanning arts and crafts, both indoor and outdoor games, opportunities for free play, cooking sessions, and thrilling outings. The program promises children a comprehensive and dynamic experience, cultivating a vibrant and stimulating atmosphere for both enjoyment and skill development. The overarching objective is to craft an unforgettable and enriching encounter for all children, nurturing creativity, social interaction, and exploration among children aged 4 to 12 years.

A packed lunch must be provided for your child/ren each day

Age range : 4 – 12 years old

Dates & times : Tuesday 2nd April – Friday 12th April 2024
8.45 AM – 5 PM

Cost : £18 daily for 8–12 years old
£20 daily for 4–7 years old

Contact details : Places are available to book online at:
<https://hackneyeducation.bookinglive.com/home/holiday-playschemes>,



The Art Imaginarium

Location	: Holy Trinity Primary School, Beechwood Road, E8 3DY London,
Ofsted registered	: 2695618
Description	: At 'The art imaginarium' we run totally unique art and circus workshops for children in London aged 5 – 11 with elements of well-being and mindfulness to help prepare your child for the day ahead. Bringing more creativity, confidence, fun, play and well-being to your child. Every week is centred around a different theme so your children will always be doing fun and exciting activities.
Age range	: 5–11 years old
Dates & times	: Monday 8th – Friday 12th April 2024 9.00 AM – 3.30 PM (8.30 AM early drop off & 4.30 PM late pick up)
Cost	: £52 daily
Contact details	: Catherine Embleton/ hello@theartimaginarium.co.uk 07896281723 www.theartimaginarium.co.uk https://www.instagram.com/theartimaginarium/ https://www.facebook.com/theartimaginarium



Holidays activities and food programme

Children and young people who are eligible for free school meals can attend these clubs free of charge. Each session includes a meal and a range of activities including physical activities with the aim of helping children to be active, socialise and have a meal together. There are also opportunities for food and nutrition education. Many of the clubs also offer paying spaces.

Please visit <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/holiday-activities-and-food-programme> for more information.

Childminders

Childminders provide a regular after school and holiday service to many children within Hackney.

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Childminders provide the perfect opportunity to have school age children cared for with their younger siblings. Visit: <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/childminders> or contact Hackney Family Information Service on 020 8820 7590 for a list of childminders in your area.

Children's Centres

Most children's centres also offer special activities during school holidays with many welcoming older siblings of the under 5s. Visit: <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/search/childrens-centres> for their detailed timetables.

Hackney Libraries

Many activities take place in libraries during school holidays, to find out more go to: <https://hackney.gov.uk/libraries-whats-on>

Clapton Library	Northwold Road, E5 8RA
Dalston C.L.R. James Library	Dalston Square E8 3BQ
Hackney Central Library	TLC Building, 1 Reading Lane, E8 1GQ
Homerton Library	Homerton High Street E9 6AS
Shoreditch Library	80 Hoxton Street, N1 6LP
Stamford Hill Library	Portland Avenue N16 6SB
Stoke Newington Library	Stoke Newington Church Street N16 0JS
Woodberry Down Community Library	Redmond Community Centre, Kayani Avenue N4 2HF

Young Hackney

To find out 'what's on' for young people aged 8-19 years in Hackney visit: www.younghackney.org

4 Young Hackney centres for children aged from 8-19 years old provide a variety of activities. You can call, email or visit your local centre for more details:

- **Concorde** Kingsmead Way, E9 5PP. Email: jobrodie-mends@hmp.org.uk or 020 8510 0979
- **The Edge** 7 Woodberry Grove, N4 1ST. Email: john.hart@hackney.gov.uk or 020 8356 1063
- **Young Hackney** 29 Forest Rd, E8 3BY. Email: modi.abdoul@hackney.gov.uk or 020 8356 2200
- **Young Hackney** Stoke Newington Chaucer Court, N16 8TS. Email: jobrodie-mends@hmp.org.uk or 020 8510 0979

Adventure playgrounds

An adventure playground is a space dedicated to children's play. Skilled Playworkers are on hand to encourage and make possible access to the widest range of play opportunities and experiences; from swinging, climbing and digging to building dens, cooking and painting.



The adventure playgrounds are free to enter and children can come and go as they choose. They are usually open after school, on Saturdays and in the holidays, and accept children aged from 6 to 15 years.

List of Adventure Playgrounds

- **Evergreen Adventure Playground**
Beehive Close, Off Richmond Road E8 3JT
020 7275 9004 or evergreenplay@yahoo.co.uk
- **Hackney Marsh Adventure Playground**
Daubeney Fields (off Kingsmead Way), E9 5PP
020 8986 7245 or angela.day@hackney.gov.uk
Children aged under the age of 6 supervised by an accompanying adult at all time are welcome as guests between 10am - 3pm only
- **Homerton Grove Adventure Playground**
Wardle Street E9 5QG
020 8985 9202 or homerton@hackneyplay.org
The morning session is often used by the younger children (parents are welcome with their Under 6's too. The afternoon sessions are aimed at the older children, who access independently and without a parent/carer. We usually provide a healthy hot meal during the afternoon, which is free. Activities include, meeting friends, running, jumping, outdoor games, arts and crafts, building, messy play, den building etc...
- **KIDS Adventure Playground Hackney**
Spring Lane, Big Hill, Clapton E5 9HQ
(Referrals are needed from the Social Care Team - Integrated Services for Children with Disabilities)
020 8806 6149
- **Pearson Street Adventure Playground**
Pearson Street, E2 8EL
pearsonstreet@hackneyplay.org
- **Shakespeare Walk Adventure Playground**
Shakespeare Walk, N16 8TL
020 7249 8405 or swapansixteen@swapa.org.uk
- **Shoreditch Adventure Playground**
Mintern Street N1 5EF
020 7729 3770 or libby.truscott@hackney.gov.uk

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Help paying for childcare

- **Tax Credits and Universal Credits:**

If you are paying for an Ofsted registered scheme or a childminder to look after your child while you are at work, you may be able to get Tax Credits or Universal Credits to help meet the costs. For details, visit: www.hmrc.gov.uk/TAXCREDITS or <https://www.gov.uk/universal-credit> or call 0345 300 3900.

- **Tax-free Childcare**

If you get Tax-Free Childcare, the government will pay £2 for every £8 you pay your childcare provider via an online account.

- **Childcare Vouchers**

Your employer may be able to help you with approved childcare costs using childcare vouchers or

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other schemes, for example a staff nursery. Ask your employer if they offer a childcare voucher scheme.

Want to find out more?

- **Contact individual providers** for details of how to register on their schemes.
- **Family Information Service**, Hackney Learning Trust, 1 Reading Lane E8 1GQ, for childcare information all year round childcare, i.e. Nurseries, Playgroups, Nursery Schools and Classes, Childminders, Home Child Carers and Breakfast and After School clubs.
Call: 020 8820 7590 email: fis@hackney.gov.uk or visit our website:
<https://education.hackney.gov.uk/fis>
- For information on **FREE childcare for 2-4 year olds** go to: <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/free>
- For information relating to **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities** in Hackney go to: <http://www.hackneylocaloffer.co.uk>
- **'Like' our Facebook page** for regular updates and information on FREE or cheap activities and events for families in and around Hackney: www.facebook.com/hackneyfis
- Follow us on **Instagram** <https://www.instagram.com/hackney.fis/>
- Follow us on **Twitter**: <https://twitter.com/HackneyFIS>
- For **education services** in Hackney go to: <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/>
- To search for **other services** in Hackney go to: www.hackney.gov.uk
- To visit **'what's on'** in Hackney go to: www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson This link also shows activities in Libraries and Hackney Central Museum.
- For details on **sports/leisure centres/parks** go to: <http://www.hackney.gov.uk/sports-leisure-parks>
- To access the free **Hackney Today Newspaper** go to: <http://www.hackney.gov.uk/hackney-today>
- Look for services or organisations in Hackney, go to: <https://find-support-services.hackney.gov.uk/>

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