



PLACES TO VISIT & FRIENDSHIP PROJECT RATES

Please take a moment to look through this list of suggestion for activities that you and your Younger Friend may enjoy throughout the Warwickshire area. For many of the activities you need to book online before visiting. If you have anything that you think would be good to add to the list, please feel free to email karen.hoy@friendshipproject.co.uk.

Stratford upon Avon

- **Mad Museum** – We have a special rate for 1 adult and 1 child where you just pay entrance for the adult (currently £7.80). You will need to inform the front of house staff that you are with The Friendship Project for Children and show your ID card.
- **Escape Room** - <https://www.escapelive.co.uk/locations/stratford-upon-avon/> An exciting 'escape' experience that may interest some of our older Younger Friends. Prices vary depending on date/time.
- **Mary Ardens Farm** – Currently closed since COVID. Hopefully it will open again soon as it is a lovely place to visit.
- **RSC** – www.rsc.org.uk - Ticket discounts - First Time Fridays - Never been to the RSC to see a show before? You can now go along on a Friday for just £10. First Time Friday tickets are available every single Friday, whatever the show. You will be able to purchase a maximum of two tickets at £10 each. Tickets can be booked in advance and are only available in person or over the phone. For more info check out their website. It is also worth checking out Tik Tok tickets - [TikTok -10 Tickets | Royal Shakespeare Company \(rsc.org.uk\)](#) and [Unwrap Shakespeare's plays | Royal Shakespeare Company \(rsc.org.uk\)](#)
- **Recreation Ground play park** and grounds – lots of free fun. Also has a Mini Golf Course which charge a small fee. <https://www.stratford.gov.uk/environment/recreation-ground-stratford-upon-avon.cfm>
- **Butterfly Farm** - www.butterflyfarm.co.uk. Adults £7.95 (£7.45 if over 60), children £6.95. A volunteer was recently able to just pay for the child, and they were allowed in as a carer. It is worth a try for if you visit, although it's not a special rate set up via ourselves.
- **Everyone Active Leisure Centre** – swimming, climbing wall, TAG active. <https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/stratford-leisure-centre/>. Swimming £2.60 child, £4.50 adult. Climbing wall £12.50, TAG active £9.50
- **Compton Verney** - <http://www.comptonverney.org.uk/>. Adult £17, children free. Tickets will be valid for 1 year from date of purchase. They also run lots of events through the year.
- **Charlecote Park** (National Trust) - <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/charlecote-park> £11 adult, £5.50 child.
- **The Greenway** – old railway line perfect for cycling. Visit Stratford Bike Hire if you need to hire a bike. A children's bike is £7 to hire for 3 hours and an adult bike is £15 for 3 hours.
- **Hoorays** Ice Cream Parlour – yum! <http://hooraysgelato.com/>
- **Everyman Cinema** - <https://www.everymancinema.com/stratford-upon-avon>. Varying prices depending on day and time visiting.
- **Play House** - <https://www.stratfordplay.co.uk/> Worth taking a look to see what's on.
- **Avon Boating** - <http://www.avon-boating.co.uk/>. Boat hire and 40 minute river cruises. Cost dependant of type of boat / cruise.
- **Stratford Town Walk**. Various walks available <https://www.stratfordtownwalk.co.uk/>. Cost depends on walk booked but an example is the Ghost Walk which is £10 for adults and £5 for children.
- **Tudor World Museum** - <http://www.tudorworld.com/>. Day time visit – adult £7, Children £4, £6 if 60 or over. Also do a Shakespeare Tour of Town for adults £7 (£6 if over 60) and children £3.50.
- **Redwings Horse Sanctuary**, Oxhill.-. <https://www.redwings.org.uk/get-involved/visit/oxhill-visitor-centre>. Free entry.
- **Zest Dance**, running tap, ballet, street, acro, dance mix & musical theatre dance classes in Stratford upon Avon on various nights. www.zest-dance.co.uk

- There are numerous Shakespeare Houses to visit - <https://www.shakespeare.org.uk/visit/>
- **JNB Gymnastics and Trampoline Park** – www.jnbacademy.org
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A fabulous website to look on is <https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/> plus Stratford has it's very own Tourist Information Centre - <https://www.visitstratforduponavon.co.uk/visitors-guide>

Warwick/Leamington/Kenilworth

Leamington

- **Tenpin, Leamington** – Cost varies on time/date of visit. Food and drink deals can be found on their website www.tenpin.co.uk/our-locations/leamington-spa/
- **Jump In, Leamington** – You will need to book online before you visit. www.gojumpin.com/locations/trampoline-park-warwick/. If you email hello@gojumpin.com they should be able to give you a code to get a special rate of £6 as you volunteer for The Friendship Project. The adult should jump for free.
- **Free Cakes for Kids** UK is Leamington based. Our Older Friends can request a free cake for their Younger Friend and also their Siblings. See separate form that would need to be completed and returned - 07921 188 725 / freecakesforkids.leamingtonspa@gmail.com
- **Everyone Active**, Newbold Common – Friendship Project have previously had special rate for swimming which is free entry for both the Younger Friend and Older Friend. You must show your ID card. We have been unable to confirm if we still have the rate, but it is worth asking on reception when booking in. The clip and climb is also very good there and is £13 per hour. <https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/newbold-comyn-leisure-centre/>
- **British Motor Museum** - britishmotormuseum.co.uk. You can obtain discount vouchers for the Museum on several websites so it's worth checking online. One site that has previously had vouchers is <https://letsgowiththechildren.co.uk/>. Without a voucher entry is £9 for children and £14.50 for adults (£12.50 for over 60).
- **Foundry Wood**, Leamington - <http://www.foundrywood.co.uk/> looks a lovely place to visit, with various events/workshops.
- **Lott Bazaar**, Leamington. Run lots of craft based workshops and events. Search for them on facebook.
- **Dice box Café**, Leamington – A board game café, £2 per person per hour plus drinks and food available. <https://the-dice-box.co.uk> for more information.
- **Victoria Park**, Leamington - https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20311/major_parks/504/victoria_park
- **Jephson Gardens**, Leamington - https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20312/jephson_gardens
- **Quarry Park Disc Golf**, Leamington - <http://www.quarrypark.co.uk/>. Short Course (17 holes of 45m) adults £6, children £4. Regular Course (18 holes of 90m) adults £8.50 children £6.
- **Guide Dogs National Breeding Centre**, Leamington. <https://www.guidedogs.org.uk/about-us/national-breeding-centre/directions-to-the-national-breeding-centre/#.WSVSgevyu00>
- **Leamington Spy Mission Treasure Trail** - Download your map for £9.99 at www.treasuretrails.co.uk/pages/trail-search?location=leamington
- **Vue Cinema**, Leamington, <https://www.myvue.com/cinema/leamington-spa/whats-on>. Varying prices depending on day and time visiting.
- **Upton Fields Nature Reserve**, Leamington - <http://countryparks.warwickshire.gov.uk/ufton-fields-nature-reserve/>
- **Dance and Fitness Classes**, mainly around Leamington & Warwick. Have some fun with your YF! Take a look on www.nobodysperfectdanceandfitness.co.uk
- **Hawking** – We have not done this ourselves, but it may be of interest to some – www.falconry-days.com
- **Sports Coaching** - We have had some very kind offers for our YFs to take part in sports lessons for free:
 - Tony Pillinger (Senior Club Coach) at **Leamington Lawn Tennis and Squash Club** if your YF is interested in learning tennis. There are group lessons every afternoon and Saturday morning. Contact Tony on 07807 790092 or tony@pillingertennis.com

- Jason Pike (Head Squash Coach) at **Leamington Lawn Tennis and Squash Club** if your YF is interested in learning to play squash. Again, group lessons every afternoon and Saturday. Contact Jason on 0790 1003380 jason@leamington-tennis-squash.co.uk
- **Warwick Boat Club** - Jonathan Peak (Squash Coach), for more info email jonathan.peak@siemens.com

These are termly sessions so would this would work well if you see your YF on a regular day.

Warwick

- **Hatton Adventure World** – We have a special rate which is to pay for the child and the adult gets in free as a carer. Please email Licinda Bromley at hatton@hattonworld.com to arrange your booking.
- **Cookery Classes** from www.get-cooking.co.uk Runs various sessions. One YF currently attends a Zoom class weekly FOC. Any questions, contact Ann Marie on 07956 955951 or hello@get-cooking.co.uk
- **Children’s Play Village, Warwick** – good fun for our younger children. £10.95 per child weekday and £12.95 weekends & school holidays. £2 .50 per adult. You must book online before you visit <https://www.childrensplayvillage.co.uk/>.
- **Warwick Castle** - <https://www.warwick-castle.com/>. We have been unable to obtain a rate here as they run their own charity too. Tickets start from £24 but offers are often available.
- **St Nicholas Park, Warwick** - <http://www.stnicholaspark.co.uk/index.php>. Includes a mini golf course and fairground rides which charge a small fee.
- **Green spaces in Warwick** – Take a look on www.warwickdc.gov.uk/parks

Kenilworth

- **Kenilworth Castle** – <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/kenilworth-castle/>
- **Abbey Fields Play Park** - https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20316/abbey_fields
- **Old Kenilworth & Abbey Fields Treasure Hunt Trail** – Download your map for £9.99 at: <https://www.treasuretrails.co.uk/things-to-do/warwickshire/kenilworth>
- **Zest Dance**, running tap, ballet, street, acro, dance mix & musical theatre dance classes in Kenilworth on various nights. www.zest-dance.co.uk

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North Warwickshire

- **Twycross Zoo**, Atherstone- <https://twycrosszoo.org/>. We have a special rate of YF: £15.00 and OF: Free of charge when showing their ID card. These tickets will need to be pre booked and paid for through their office so please contact Mikala or Dee, The Sales Office, bookings@twycrosszoo.org, or 01827 880 250 option 3.
- **Dobbies Garden Centre, Maze World and Anker Wood**, Atherstone – Free entrance into the garden centre and £3.95 per adult (£2.95 concessions) and £2.95 per child to go into the attraction of company Anker Wood, where you can explore 5 different mazes and meet a variety of animals. <https://ankerwood.dobbies.com>
- **Baddesley Clinton** (National Trust) - <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/baddesley-clinton>. £13 adult and £6.50 child.
- **Bedworth Leisure Centre** - <https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/Bedworth-Leisure-Centre/>. Swimming £3.85 adult and £2.85 child.
- **Broomey Croft Childrens Farm**, Kingsbury. Visit the farm and do a treasure hunt with a small prize at the end. www.broomeycroftfarm.co.uk. Child £4.40. Adult £4.90.
- **Midland Air Museum, Baginton** - <http://www.midlandairmuseum.co.uk/>. £8.25 adult (£7.75 OAP), £4.25 child.

- **Snow Dome**, Tamworth – Ski, Ice Skate, Climb or swim all under one roof. Check the website for prices, depending on your chosen activity - <https://www.snowdome.co.uk/>
- **Planters Garden Centre**, Tamworth - <http://www.plantersgc.com/>. Huge garden centre with pet and aquatic departments, plus a restaurant and skytrail adventure area. The skytrail is £8 per person. Also run events at Halloween
- **Kick On Together** - Furlongs Farm, Shilton Lane, Bulkington. info@kickontogogether.co.uk. Tel: 07964 212840. Pony experience and miniature animal play centre. Offering pony experience and play sessions. The sessions aim to provide children with an interactive, fun and educational experience which make magical life long memories. Special Friendship Project rate of £10 per session. Various events and play sessions organised so check out their website. Make sure you book before you go.

Rugby

- **Yum Yum World**, Rugby – soft play. <http://yumyumworld.co.uk/>. £5.95 up to age 11.
- **The Adventure Zone** - www.theadventurezone.co.uk - Soft Play for up to age 12. £8.95 for 1 adult/1child.
- **Cineworld**, Rugby – www.cineworld.co.uk Prices vary depending on time and film.
- **Rugby Library** - www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/rugby-library-amp-information-centre-7871074520 - You can book - Lego club, code club, and book type clubs.
- <https://www.facebook.com/PARANDBAR> - Crazy Golf. Family friendly until 8pm.

Parks and play areas:

- **Draycote Water Country Park**, Rugby - <https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/things-to-do/west-midlands/warwickshire/rugby>. Free entry to the park but parking charges apply.
- **Coombe Abbey Country Park** - www.coventry.gov.uk/info/136/coombe_abbey_park/498/coombe_abbey_park - Free entry to the park but parking charges apply.
- **Houlton Playground** - (near to the cafe - The Tuning Fork) - www.adventuresinwarwickshire.co.uk/blog/houlton-playground-rugby
- **Cawston Playground** - www.rugby.gov.uk/directory_record/705/cawston_neighbourhood_play_area/category/56/parks
- **Caldecott Park** - Also has a cafe (The Tool Shed on facebook) - www.rugby.gov.uk/info/20046/parks_open_spaces_play_areas/86/caldecott_park

Coventry

- **Jam Jam Boomerang**, Coventry – Indoor play for up to age 12. £6.95 for a child. Adults £2.95. <http://www.jamjamboomerang.co.uk/>.
- **Odeon Cinema**, Coventry - <https://www.odeon.co.uk/cinemas/coventry/82/>. Varying prices depending on day and time visiting.
- **Laser Quest**, Coventry - www.laserquestcoventry.co.uk. Prices vary depending on day of visit and how many games are played. Example is:- 2 games Sat/Sun/Holidays for £12.95pp..
- **Planet Ice**, Coventry - <https://planet-ice.co.uk/locations/coventry/>. Prices vary on the day and time you ice skate but are around £12.
- **Red Kangaroo Trampoline Centre**, Coventry - <https://www.redkangaroo.co.uk/parks/coventry/>. Cost depends on the day and time you visit. Peak time on weekends is £11.95 for a 1 hour session for example.
- **Ten Pin**, Coventry – 2 games plus a burger meal for £10 on a Thursday! Other rates vary depending on the time and day you go. www.tenpin.co.uk/our-locations/coventry/
- **Warwick Arts Centre**, Coventry – <https://www.warwickartscentre.co.uk/> is worth a look for what's on.
- **Coventry Transport Museum** - <https://www.transport-museum.com/>. £14 adult (£10.50 concessions) and £7 for a child.
- **Belgrade Theatre**, Coventry – worth a look for what's on. <http://www.belgrade.co.uk/>
- **Coventry Memorial Park** - <http://www.coventry.gov.uk/warmemorialpark>. A lovely park that also has Pitch and Putt, Golf and Bowls that you can play for a small fee.

- **Allesley Park**, Coventry - http://www.coventry.gov.uk/directory_record/273/allesley_park. Also has a crazy golf course that you can play for a small fee.
- **Ballroom Climbing Wall**, Coventry www.ballroomclimbing.co.uk. Prices vary depending on when you visit. Check out their website for details.
- **Coventry Spy Mission Treasure Trail** - Download your map for £9.99 at: <https://www.treasuretrails.co.uk/things-to-do/west-midlands/coventry>
- **Coventry Cathedral** - <http://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite/>
- **The Wave Water Park** www.thewavecoventry.com Swimming and water slide fun! Adult peak is £16.50/off peak £12.50. Child peak £12/off peak £10.
- **Brandon Marsh Nature Centre**, Coventry - <http://www.warwickshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/reserves/brandon-marsh>. £3.50 for adults (£2.50 concessions) and £2 per child. Free entry to all Wildlife Trust members.
- **Caludon Castle Park**, Coventry www.coventry.gov.uk/caludoncastlepark Includes a play park (with zip line) and castle remains.
- **Coombe Country Park**, Coventry - www.coventry.gov.uk/coombe-country-park/coombe-country-park-1 . Access to the park for free but parking charges apply – 2-4 hours is £3.50.
- **Ryton Pools Country Park**, Coventry – [Ryton Pools Country Park – Country parks \(warwickshire.gov.uk\)](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/ryton-pools-country-park-country-parks) £4 for 2-4 hours car parking.
- **Go Ape**, Coombe Abbey, Coventry - <https://goape.co.uk/locations/coventry>. Cost depends on which activity you do. An example is a Treetop Adventure on a weekend for £19.
- **Escape Room** - <https://www.escapelive.co.uk/locations/coventry/> An exciting 'escape' experience that may interest some of our older Younger Friends. Another one in Coventry is <https://cluehq.co.uk/coventry/> but this looks slightly more expensive..

A fabulous website to look on is <https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/> and the Visit North Warwickshire Website <https://www.visitnorthernwarwickshire.com/>

A tip from an Older Friend that would cover all areas is that if you are a member of the National Trust Yourself you are able to purchase an annual junior membership for £10..Take a look on: https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/junior-membership?campid=SocialShare_Central_MainSite_Email_1431797125040

Another one for all areas is Kids Run Free who organise Park Runs etc. Take a look on their events page where you can scroll through for events local to you: <https://www.kidsrunfree.co.uk/parkkids/park-kids-events/>

Local libraries are a great resource. Check out your local one on www.warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries. Many run regular classes as well as loan books.

On the following pages there are lists of actual places visited and recommended by our Older Friends.

We hope that you have found this useful!

Volunteer recommendations

We asked our volunteers their favourite places to take their Younger Friends, and here are the recommendations that gave:-

Stratford

- TAG ACTIVE and swimming at Everyone Active Leisure Centre
- MAD Museum
- Magic Alley – run all sorts of themed events
- Stratford Library Lego Club (free on Saturday morning)
- Hampton Wood and Meadow
- Walk along the river in central Stratford, go on the bog wheel, and play at the rec park
- Barford Park
- Butterfly Farm
- Honeybourne Pottery
- Charlecote Park
- Walking or riding bike in Walton
- The Valley (previously known as Evesham Country Park)
- Droitwich Norbury Theatre (a little far out, but good theatre)
- Chipping Norton Theatre (a little far out, but good theatre)
- Fairytale Farm (nearer Oxfordshire)
- Birdland, Bourton on the Water (volunteer who recommended was able to get in free as a carer when showing their ID card)

Warwick/Leamington

- Quarry Park Disc Golf
- British Motor Museum
- Jump in trampoline park
- Dice Box café – café with games
- Revive Café – café with games
- Newbold Common Leisure Centre for swimming and climbing wall
- Victoria Park
- St Nicolas Park

North

- Nuneaton Borough Football Club
- Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre
- National Space Centre. Leicester
- Hartshill Hayes Country Park
- Baginton Air Museum

Rugby

- Cineworld
- Indoor mini golf at The Adventure Zone
- Whilton Locks Garden Village, Daventry
- Riverside Hub, Northampton

General

- Bowling
- Snooker
- Watching football
- Walking (feeding ducks)
- National Trust often have events on
- Going through a car wash!
- Flying a kite
- Crazy Golf
- Cinema
- Restaurants
- Swimming
- Go Karting
- Themed outings as Halloween. Easter etc
- Going for ice cream
- Theatre trips
- Ball games or scootering at a park
- Cooking/baking
- Visiting a zoo
- Gardening
- Arts and Crafts
- Parks