

# Play & Activity

## Newsletter 4

## Looking Forward to SUMMER!

After completing an action packed, fun filled first 6 months in post; both Lee Malkin and Richard McDonald are extremely excited about offering an all inclusive summer play programme. The main aims are to develop play opportunities and experiences across Macclesfield Borough and to promote local parks and open spaces as play facilities and social outlets for children and young people of all ages.



## A **BIG** Thank You!

Just a quick note to thank the people who made Whit Week such a success by offering their assistance in booking facilities, organising children and young people, advertising the event and catering for everyone.

- **Lucy Nixon** (Marton)
- **Sarah Sherwood** (Plumley)
- **Darren Marshall** (PSCO Hurdsfield)
- **Chris Howard & Keith Burgess** (Poynton)

## Free Play Days!

Play Day is an annual event promoted by 'Play England' to encourage children across the country to get involved in Play. This year's theme is 'Risk' in play, to try and get children to push their own boundaries in a safe and supervised environment.

Macclesfield Borough Council will be offering three free Play Days!

For more information about Play Day visit [www.playday.org.uk](http://www.playday.org.uk)

**Bollington Recreation Ground • 5 August • 2-4pm**  
**The Moor, Knutsford • 6 August • 2-4pm**  
**Meriton Road, Handforth • 7 August • 2-4pm**

*Note: Afternoon sessions will not be running on the 'Play Day' dates*

### The Play Team will be covering:

- Rural Towns and Villages
- 3 Major Parks
- 6 Open Space Play Facilities
- A Number of Youth Groups

With the aim to offer or expand play opportunities to as many children as possible borough wide.

'Every opportunity for every child'

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If you have any questions you can contact Richard and Lee at:

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Richard McDonald and Lee Malkin

# Can the Play team help you?

Although the summer programme has now been finalised there is the opportunity to offer some un-timetabled sessions for existing youth groups or to communities with a demand for play.

If you know of a group who are unable to attend any of the sessions below, then please contact us and we will endeavour to provide some play sessions and opportunities near you.



A play session with the Play Team officers

## Activity Days

These are open access play sessions with games, activities, arts & crafts and other alternative non-competitive inclusive multi sport activities. Sessions will run every week from Tuesday 22 July. Please note Monday 25 August is a Bank Holiday, so no sessions will run. Tytherington High School sessions will start one week later, on 4 August.

Time	Monday	Tuesday
10.00-11.30	Plumley Village Hall (ages 7-14)*	Office Based
12.30-2.00	Marton Primary School (ages 8-13)*	Office Based
3.00-4.00	Tytherington High School Astro Turf (ages up to 16)	Hurdsfield on Banbury Park
4.30-5.30	Prestbury Rounders Club on Bollin Grove (open age)	Equipment pick up for Parks Sessions

\* For parents with younger children hoping to attend structured play sessions, please contact the play team for conditions.

## Parks and Open Space Promotion

These sessions are weekly free play and activity sessions to promote the usage of open spaces and the parks' existing play facilities. Sessions will be unstructured, however, play equipment will be provided and a range games can be implemented if there is sufficient demand. All ages are welcome, however, children under 8 are required to be supervised by an adult when using play equipment.

Time	Wednesday (Macclesfield)*	Thursday (Knutsford)*	Friday (Wilmslow & Handforth)*
10.30-11.30	Weston Estate Park	Chelford Mere Court	Gravel Lane
12.00-1.30	South Park	The Moor	The Carrs
2.00-3.00	Lanark Walk Upton Priors	Longridge	Meriton Road

\* Sessions are open to all children, who are free to come and go throughout sessions.

\* Both Activity and Park Sessions are subject to change or cancellation at short notice.

**Please contact the Play Team for up date session information on:**

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