



Dear Parents and Carers,

## February Half Term Fun!

It's the first school holiday of the year and luckily there are plenty of local destinations and events to keep the kids busy! At Eastway we want to create family memories to last a lifetime. I have sourced some exciting free and low priced ideas for days out in Liverpool and the Wirral for you all to experience and enjoy. I have attached details of these which I hope you find useful.

Remember Mersey Rail have some fanatatic deals on their travel.

- Children aged under 5 travel free on Merseyrail and those aged 5 15 get half price tickets.
- Alternatively the Merseyrail <u>Family Ticket</u> can be used for a family of up to 5 for just £13! It covers 1 or 2 adults travelling with children aged 5-15.
- Family Tickets are valid for unlimited travel, only excluding peak hours 06:31 09:29 Monday - Friday. Outside of these hours, including all day weekends and Bank Holidays you can hop on and off the train as much as you want!

Please remember to tag us in on Twitter @EastwayPrimary whatever lovely family activities you get up to this half term. It would be great to see what everyone has been up to.

Wishing you all a great half term. Stay safe and have fun!

Yours sincerely,

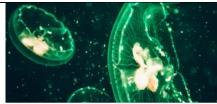
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Bringing Learning to Life



Liverpool World Museum

Liverpool World Museum's aquarium is back with bigger tanks, new species, immersive projections and even an octopus called Polpo!

On selected dates in half term find out about the magical world of bioluminescence and the many animals and plants that make their own light. Finish by making your own glow in the dark creature to take home with you.

If your little ones are more into dinosaurs, head to the Bones and Stones display, also in the World Museum, where they'll find full size skeletons and the mysterious large reptile that lived in Merseyside over 220 million years ago!

Nearest stations - Lime Street low level station is 6 minutes' walk away for Wirral line services and Liverpool Central is 7 minutes' walk away.



Kitchen Sink Science: Recycle Right World Museum 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 10am-12pm

Drop in to our fun scientific experimentation laboratory. Together we will explore some simple scientific experiments which will blow your mind and help



Lego Big Build: Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Portrait Mosaic 24<sup>th</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup> February 10am-4pm

This is a free activity for children and adults and no need to book - just pop along and get involved. The completed build will involve over 16,500 LEGO bricks! The workshops will be led by Steve Guinness, a Master-Builder, LEGO ideas Fan Designer and winner of the 'Legomasters' Channel 4 TV series. This activity is not suitable for children under 3 years of age.

Liverpool Lime Street is a few minutes walk away the Walker Art Gallery, for Wirral line services. Liverpool Central is a short walk away for Northern line services.



Bubbles World of Play

Soft play centres, love or hate them, they offer parents a solution to a rainy day with children full of energy. Bubbles World of Play is the UKs largest and most innovative indoor play centre with 30 different countries and zones. There are dedicated areas for babies, young children aged 1- 5, plus lots of role play areas and of course slides and ball pools!

Nearest station: New Brighton station is 6 minutes' walk away.



Up Close with Ancient Egypt World Museum 19<sup>th</sup> Feb, 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 26<sup>th</sup> Feb

Join our team who will be out on our Ancient Egypt gallery with their trolley full of incredible stories and objects for you to enjoy and explore.



Get Up and Glow World Museum 19<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> February Tickets Needed 11am-3:30pm

Who needs fairy lights? Get up and glow and find out about the magical world of bioluminescence and the many animals and plants that make their own light.

you to look closer at our Nearest stations wonderful world! Lime Street low level Join us on level 2 and For February half-term we station is 6 minutes' walk make your own glow in the are looking at recycling away for Wirral line dark creature to take home right, and surprising uses services and Liverpool with you. for stuff we might Central is 7 minutes' walk Nearest stations otherwise throw away. Lime Street low level away. Nearest station station is 6 minutes' walk Lime Street low level away for Wirral line station is 6 minutes' walk services and Liverpool away for Wirral line Central is 7 minutes' walk services and Liverpool away. Central is 7 minutes' walk away. Wirral Way Once an old railway line, Family Art Club the Wirral Way offers a 12 Reduce, Reuse and Recycle 26<sup>th</sup> February mile stretch of stunning World Museum Lady Lever Art Gallery scenery and historical Tickets needed 11am-4pm railway architecture including Hadlow Station, 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> February Our popular Family Art which remains in the same Club at the Lady Lever is Victorian style it had many We are working hard behind back! years ago. the scenes to find out how National Museums Liverpool Is your child aged between Perfect for a brisk walk or can help look after the 7 and 12? Do they love art a cycle, the Wirral Way environment and reduce our and being creative? If so could be considered as one waste. Come along to our then family art club is of Merseyside's best kept Reduce, Reuse, Recyle perfect for you. historical secrets! family workshops to create art with artists using Together we will explore Nearest station: recycled materials. Join the gallery, experiment West Kirby + 15-minute in the conversation and with different materials walk share your thoughts on and learn new skills. No what we can do to fight experience is necessary, climate change and protect and all materials will be the world around us. provided. Nearest stations Free tickets will be Lime Street low level available to book from station is 6 minutes' walk around 2 weeks before each away for Wirral line session. If you are unable services and Liverpool to attend the session Central is 7 minutes' walk please cancel your place, away. as demand for Family Art Club is high.

Nearest station: Bebington station is a few minutes walk away from Lady Lever Art Gallery.



Gormley Address: Crosby, Liverpool, L23 6SX

The spectacular sculptures by Antony Gormley stretch along Crosby beach. Another Place consists of 100 castiron, life-size figures spread out along three kilometres of the foreshore, standing almost one kilometre out to sea. The Another Place figures each one weighing 650 kilos - are made from casts of the artist's own body standing on the beach, all of them looking out to sea, staring at the horizon in silent expectation.

Now a permanent feature, the famous statues are part of the Merseyside landscape and a photographers paradise. Not forgetting the stretch of golden sand, Crosby beach is a gem of our coastline where you can have a stroll taking in the sea air or have a great family day out.

## Nearest station

Crosby beach and the Antony Gormley statues are a 10 minute walk from Blundellsands & Crosby station. If you walk north up the beach you can catch the train from Hall Road station for your return journey.



Formby Pine Woods

Fresh and scenic winter walks amongst the sweeping costal pinewoods and dramatic sand dunes are sure to get that festive mood flowing! Wrap up warm and enjoy the breathtaking views towards the sea and sand dunes.

If you are lucky you might also just spot some of the red squirrels or natterjack toads

Nearest station: Freshfield Station + 15minute walk



Otterspool Prom

The Otterspool Promenade provides beautiful views across the River Mersey, especially on a bright winter's day.

With a wide footpath for walkers and bikers stretching right along the river, why not start at Aigburth and take a seasonal stroll to the Albert Dock where you can grab a warm hot chocolate and do a spot of Christmas shopping at some of the fantastic Independents on offer.

**Nearest station:** Aigburth Station + 10-minute walk

For more information about free trips and days out check out our school Facebook and Twitter account @EastwayPrimary