Welcome to our first Gorebridge Summer Holiday What's On Guide! In it you'll find a calendar of activities, camps, clubs and events. We have tried to get our hands on as many sources of information as possible and include as many local, free or cheap things as possible, ranging from sports to science, crafts and nature. We hope you find it useful and wish you a wonderful summer holiday!

Gorebridge Primary School Parent Council & PTA

ALL SCHOOL HOLIDAY

WHOLE HOLIDAY

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Gorebridge Library, 98
Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge
EH23 4TT Ages 4-11 C
Encourages children to read
six library books during the
summer holiday FREE Booking not required.

WHOLE HOLIDAY

FORT DOUGLAS SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

11:00-16:00 The Witches Den, Fort Douglas, Dalkeith Country Park, Via King's Gate, Dalkeith, Edinburgh, Scotland, EH22 1ST ALL **AGES** Mondays: Crafty Card Making, Tuesdays: Face Stencilling, Wednesdays: Wand Making, Thursdays: Clay Creatures, Fridays: Tree discovery, Saturdays: Forest Faces, Sundays: Pebble Painting Pree with entry to Fort Douglas. 0-24mths free, 2-4yrs £5, 5-12yrs £7,

adult (13+) £3. ♥ Booking not required but spaces are limited per session.

EVERY MONDAY-FRIDAY

NEWBYRES SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

07:30-18:00 ♣ Newbyres
Too at St Paul's, Hunterfield
Road, Gorebridge EH23
4TP♣ P1-P7 ♣ A fun and
varied agenda full of arts &
crafts, outdoor play, trips,
sports, games, baking and
much more. ♣ £27.50 for a
full day (incl.all meals and
snacks). Half days £16.50.
♣ Booking required. Call
01875 898060 or 07514
521581 or email
newbyresnursery@gmail.co

EVERY MONDAY-FRIDAY

FREE SWIM SESSIONS

10:30-16:30 - 1 hour sessions, last entry 15:30 ♥ Newbattle Community Campus, Lasswade Centre, Dalkeith Campus, Loanhead Centre, Penicuik Centre ♥ Under 18s in full-time education ♥ FREE ♥ Booking not required ♥ Newbattle Campus 0131 561 6740

EVERY SUNDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

OPEN DAYS AND SCAVENGER HUNT

12:00-17:00 ♣ Arniston
House, Arniston Estate,
EH23 4RY, Gorebridge ♣
ALL AGES ♣ Free access to
the grounds on open days
and a free summer
scavenger hunt available to
pick up from the main
entrance to the House. ♣
FREE ♣ Booking not
required

EVERYDAY

KIDJUMP @RYZE

10:00-11:00 ♣ Ryze Adventure Parks, Unit 23 Mayfield Industrial Estate, Dalkeith, EH22 4AD ♣ Ages 2-6 ♣ A dedicated 1-hour session every morning from 10am - 11am where children 6 and under can come along to have fun and experience a safe session in our extreme air sports park. ♣ £7 ♣ 0131 634 0140 jump@ryzeedinburgh.com

EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

CLUB RYZE

19:00-21:00 ♣ Ryze
Adventure Parks, Unit 23
Mayfield Industrial Estate,
Dalkeith, EH22 4AD ♣ Ages
5+♣ The lights go out and
the lasers come on! Bounce
to club beats while wearing
unique glow in the dark
wristbands that are
provided specifically for the
occasion.♠ £16.50 for 2
hours ♣ 0131 634 0140
jump@ryzeedinburgh.com

EVERY SATURDAY

RUGBYTOTS MIDLOTHIAN

Age 2-3.5 09:00-09:30, Age 3.5-5 09:35-10:20 and 10:25-11:10 **A** Newbattle Community, Gorebridge Parish Church Hall, 96 Hunterfield Road, Gorebridge, Midlothian, EH23 4TT 🌣 Fun, structured play sessions take children on a journey of sporting imagination with engaging and energetic coaches supporting them every step of the way whilst teaching how to catch, pass, kick, run with the ball and play as part of a team. # £7.50 per session Call 0345 313 0418 or email graham@rugbytots.co.uk. www.rugbytots.co.uk

EVERY MONDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY 1 JULY – 2 AUGUST

SUMMER PLAYSCHEME by Play Midlothian

Mondays 10:00-12:00 Tuesdays 14:00-16:00 Thursdays 10:00-12:00 ♥
Gorebridge Primary School,
2C Barleyknowe Ln,
Gorebridge EH23 4XA ♥
Ages 5-12 ♥ Play sessions
♥ FREE ♥ Booking not
required

EVERY TUESDAY

OUT2PLAY by Play Midlothian

17:30-19:00 Donnybank Park, Vogrie Crescent, Gorebridge 🌣 ALL 🌣 Play with community playworkers who bring resources for all sorts of play, including sports and games equipment, arts and crafts materials and loose parts. Wide-ranging activities including fire bowls, den-building, water play and much more. FREE Dooking not required. Children welcome to come and go but should playworkers need to leave the session before the advertised end time, it is expected children will know what to do with themselves. playmidlothian.org.uk/page s/out2play

EVERY FRIDAY EXCUDING 9
AUGUST

GOREBRIDGE OPPORTUNITY (GO)

New S1s 18:00-19:30
High School 19:30-21:00
Gorebridge Parish
Church Evening of sports
and games 50p To
book or for more
information contact Ross
Watters, Youth Minister
Gorebridge Parish Church
on 07737 628 965

VARIOUS

EDINBURGH & LASSWADE RIDING CENTRE All levels of lessons, treks and hacks. lasswadestables.com Call 131 663 7676

EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

BE HAPPY PERFORMING ARTS COMPANYGorebridge Parish Church

Hall, 96 Hunterfield Road, Gorebridge, Midlothian, EH23 4TT Dooking call 07840 073 027, mail behappyperforming@hotmail.com facebook.com/behappyperforming Coming Co

FRIDAY

STORYTIME STOMP

10:00-10:30 Ages

18MTHS-pre-schoolers 🌣

This energetic, engaging class sees toddlers and their grown up bring a story to life. Be prepared for movement, music, props, lots of noise and a whole lot of fun! £5 per class, discounts for block bookings. FREE TRIAL if you mention having seen the class here.

FRIDAY

STORYTIME STOMP

11:00-11:45 ♣ Newborns to walkers ♣ Come along and be transported to a land of fairy lights and music. Sensory classes as you've never seen or heard them before. Baby will explore with their grown up and the guidance of our highly experienced staff. ♣ £6.50 per class, discounts for block bookings. FREE TRIAL if you mention having seen the class here.

SATURDAY

TINY DANCERS

09:15-09:55 ♣ Ages 2-5 ♣ This class covers first steps in ballet, tap and modern theatre dance in a fun way for boys and girls. Your child will develop new skills, be part of a class, learn to join in with others and discover the joy of dance. ♣ £20 for 5 week block. FREE

TRIAL if you mention having seen the class here.

SATURDAY

BE HAPPY SHOOTING STARS

10:00-10:40 ♣ Ages 5-10 ♣ These classes cover singing, dancing and acting. ♣ £5.50 per class, discounts for block bookings and FREE TRIAL if you mention having seen the class here.

SATURDAY

YOUTH DRAMA

11:20-12:00 Ages 8-16 A These classes look at all aspects of drama and acting. Both acting for stage and acting for camera. Our students also learn the fundamentals of stagecraft and what goes on behind the scenes and behind the camera. Improvisation and script work are the main focus. \$\foxed\$ £5.50 per class, discounts for block bookings and FREE TRIAL if you mention having seen the class here.

EVERY THURSDAY AND SATURDAY

LITTLE WANDERERS

09:30-10:15 SKA Studios, 30/3 Hardengreen Industrial Estate, Eskbank, Eh22 3NX Ages 0-3 🌣 Little Wanderers is the perfect class for our early movers and parents out there. Lots of fun and interactions including dancing, songs, nursery rhymes and stories. ## £4 per class, discounts for block bookings 🌣 To book or for more information email shannonkallan@outlook.co Online booking www.bookwhen.com/Skada

FROM 8 JULY TO 16 AUGUST

MONDAY TO FRIDAY EACH WEEK

MIDLOTHIAN SNOWSPORTS CENTRE, HILLEND

Biggar Rd, Edinburgh EH10 7DU Submit an online request form at www.ski.midlothian.gov.uk or for further information call 0131 445 4433

JUNIOR SKI CAMPS

♣ Ages 6-17 ♣ 10:00-12:30 and 14:00-16:30 ♣ A five day Junior Ski Camps from beginner to advanced levels. Learn to ski, increase your confidence or develop your skills while making new friends. ♣ £103.50

JUNIOR SNOWBOARD CAMPS

Ages 8-17 □ 10:00-12:30 and 14:00-16:30 □ Junior Snowboard Camp for Beginners, Intermediates, Advanced and Freestyle available. □ £103.50

KINDER SKI CAMPS

♣ Ages 4-5 ♣ Various times throughout the day (1 hr sessions) ♣ Whether skiing for the first time or developing existing skills our qualified instructors will strive to ensure all children have a safe, fun and enjoyable experience. ♣ £65.50

EDINBURGH FOR FREE Dinburgh has a number of great things to do for free

including:
* Climb up Arthur's Seat or

- Calton Hill *

 * Visit the Royal Botanic
 Gardens *
- * Self-guided Harry Potter tour (see solosophie.com/harrypotter-in-edinburgh/ for ideas) *

FROM 8 JULY TO 18 AUGUST EVERYDAY

PAY N PLAY TUBING

10:00-17:00 (last booking 16:00) 🌣 Midlothian Snowsports Centre, Hillend, Biggar Rd, Edinburgh EH10 7DU 🌣 Ages 4+, minimum height 1m 🌣 4 specially built tubing runs. Our travellator takes all the hard work out of climbing up the hill. Just ride up and slide down Adult £10.40, child £8.40 for 1 hour 🌣 For further information contact the bookings team on 0131 445 4433 or ski@midlothian.gov.uk. Sessions cannot be pre booked. Tubing parties can be pre booked.

30 JUNE 28 JULY

WOODLAND WILDLINGS

12:00-14:00 ♣ Meet at the front on The Beacon, Hunterfield Road, Gorebridge ♣ Families with preschool and primary aged children ♣ Head out for some nature play either down in Gore Glen or at the back of the Gala field (Birch Woods). We do things like den building, campfire cooking, pond dipping, nature crafts. ♣ FREE ♣ Booking not required. facebook.com/pixieplay123

Visit one of many wonderful, free museums and galleries, including: National Museum of Scotland, Museum of Childhood, The People's Story Museum, The Writers' Museum, Scottish National Gallery, Scottish National Portrait Gallery, Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art

JULY

1 JULY

LITTER PICK WITH GOREBRIDGE AND DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

10:00-12:00 ♣ Greenhall Corner, at the lower end of Barleyknowe Rd, Gorebridge ♣ ALL AGES but children must be accompanied by an adult ♣ 'Many hands make light work'. Join the team and take part to do as much or as little as you wish or feel able. A well cared for and clean environment benefits the local economy.. ♣ FREE ♣ No booking required.

1 JULY

BUILD A ROCKET

14:00-16:00 ♣ Gorebridge
Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd,
Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♣ ALL
AGES ♣ Help us to launch
the Summer Reading
Challenge as we build a
huge rocket! ♣ FREE ♣
Booking not required.

1 JULY TO 15 AUGUST

EDEN ROCK CLIMBING CAMP

Monday to Friday
09:00-10:00, 10:15-11.15,
11.30-12:30, 13:00-14:00

Eden Rock, Edgefield Road
Industrial Estate, Loanhead
EH20 9TB

Ages 6-16

Help us to launch the
Summer Reading Challenge
as we build a huge rocket!

£31 per day, £150 for the
week

Booking
edinburgh@edenrockclimbi
ng.com, 0131 285 6044 or
07745 144554

2-4 JULY

BORN TO PERFORM SUMMER SCHOOL by La Belle Arts

09:30-16:30 Clencorse Centre, 4 Firth Road, Auchendinny, EH26 0QZ 🌣 P1-P7 🌣 •Dance, drama and singing with professional performers •Fun crafts and activities •End of week show for friends and family 🌣 Full week £90.00, single day £35.00, early drop-off and late pick-up available. Bring a friend and sibling discounts available 🌣 Information and booking: https://la-bellearts.class4kids.co.uk/camps christie@labellearts.co.uk

2, 9, 16, 23 JULY

Call 07848692424

FAMILY COOKING

www.labellearts.co.uk

10:00-12:00 🌣 Newbattle High School, Newbattle Road, Easthouses, EH22 4SX Families with children age 7+ 🌣 Learn to make some simple, tasty and healthy recipes on a budget. Each adult can bring along up to 2 children aged 7+.☆ **FREE *** Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 Ileadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

3, 10, 17, 24 JULY

FAMILY POTTERY

10:00-12:00 ♣ 67 Gardiner Place, Newtongrange, EH22 4RT ♣ Families ♣ Create with air drying clay. Different theme each week. Creations can be taken away. ♣ FREE ♣ Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200,

lleadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

3 JULY

KELLY KETTLES AND MARSHMALLOWS

13:30-15:00 ♥ Vogrie
Country Park, Gorebridge,
EH23 4NU ♥ ALL AGES ♥
Set fire to the kettle, cook
up a hot chocolate and
caramelise a marshmallow
to Master Chef
perfection!♥ FREE (£2
parking) ♥ Booking
essential. Call 01875
821716 Fri-Mon.

3 JULY

GEOCACHING

13:00-15:00 🌣 Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge, EH23 4NU 🌣 ALL AGES 🌣 Fun activity for families. Learn about global geocaching and navigate around the park trying to find some hidden small boxes. Uses smartphone technology. If you don't have one then we will pair you up. 🌣 Meet at Vogrie House main car park and dress appropriately for the weather! FREE (£2 parking) 🌣 Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 lleadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

4, 11, 18, 25 JULY

COMPUTING WITH RUBY

13:00-15:00 ♣ Newbattle
High School, Newbattle
Road, Easthouses, EH22 4SX ♣ Families with children
ages 5-9 ♣ Computing with
Ruby is a programme all
helping younger children
understand how computers
work. It is aimed at children
aged 5-9. It uses some

creative storytelling and creative craft activities to help develop children's understanding. Come along and get involved in Ruby's journey. FREE Dooking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 lleadultsfamilies@midlothian.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

4 JULY

LEGO

4, 11, 18, 25 JULY

LEGO MOVIE MAKING

10:00-12:00 🌣 Newtongrange Library, Saint Davids, Newtongrange, EH22 4LG ALL AGES 🌣 Want to make your own Lego Movie? Then come along and join us over 4 sessions this summer to learn how to build sets, script and film a short movie. We will have lego available and will provide evrything needed to create this project. However if you want to bring along a lego set of your own and make a movie with that, then you can do so. 🌣 FREE 🌣 Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 Ileadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

BEACHES 🌣

Get to Portobello Beach is by train (Gorebridge to Brunstane then walk about 0.7 miles). Examples of other beautiful beaches: Gullane, Seacliffe, North Berwick, Cramond and Yellowcraigs.

4 JULY

ONCE UPON A CHILD...STORY MASSAGE

10:00-11:00 ♥ Restoration Yard, Dalkeith Country Park, Dalkeith, EH22 1ST Ages 3-10 During this Story Massage session, you and your child/ren will learn simple (clothed) back, shoulder, arm and head massage strokes whilst creating a magical story. 2 1 Adult & 1 Child £6, each additional child or adult £1 +fees Dooking Eventbrite. www.facebook.com/chbaby massage https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/e/once-upon-a-childstory-massage-tickets-61401008068

5, 12, 19, 26 JULY 2, 9, 16 AUGUST

JUNIOR MINER EXPERIENCE

10:00 and 14:00 National Mining Museum Scotland, Newtongrange Ages 8-12 Sign up for your first shift as a Junior Miner at the Lady Vic! Do you think you have what it takes? You'll be dressed as a miner and, under the watchful eye of the pit boss, you will undergo training and complete a fun-filled, dirty shift at the coalface. WARNING! The Pit Boss' challenges are not for the faint hearted! 🌣 £6 per child Booking https://nationalmininnation a.cloudvenuc.co.uk/juniorm inerejuniormin Call 0131 663 7519

6 JULY

'THE TIGER WHO CAME TO TEA' THEMED TEA PARTY

11:00-12:00 ♥ Waterstones
Fort Kinnaird ♥ ALL AGES
♥ Storytime, crafts and
colouring, some games,
refreshments and cakes.♥
FREE ♥ Limited spaces. Call
0131 344 4754

8, 22 JULY 5 AUGUST

SUMMER EVENTS FOR FAMILIES

By Greening Gorebridge
14:00-16:00 Gorebridge
Beacon, Hunterfield Road,
Gorebridge Primary
school aged, younger
children also welcome
Join the Greening
Gorebridge team for
picnics, nature play, crafts
and food. FREE Email
sam@gorebridge.org.uk to
book a place.

8-12 JULY

FOOTBALL CAMP

09:00-13:00 ♣ Arniston
Park (astro), Gorebridge ♣
Ages 5-12 ♣ Action packed
football fun this summer
with Midlothian Football.
Street games, fast break
attacks, Champions Leagues
and skills challenges
throughout. You are sure to
have a great week with our
highly qualified and
experienced staff. ♣ £50 ♣
Email:
paul.greig@midlothian.gov.

8 JULY

DOGS TRUST

14:00-15:00 ♣ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♣ ALL AGES ♣ Learn how to look after your four legged friends with the Dogs Trust ♣ FREE ♣ Booking not required.

8 JULY

MINI GARDENING

13:30-15:00 ♣ Aim High, 14
Woodburn Avenue,
Dalkeith, EH22 2BP ♣ ALL
AGES ♣ Plant up a variety
of seeds, e.g. cress, salad
leaves, which you can take
home and watch sprout and
grow. Also make up own
plant labels.♣ FREE ♣
Booking
https://www.eventbrite.co.

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9, 16, 23, 30 JULY

FAMILY TENNIS

13:00-14:30 Cings Park, Tennis Courts, Dalkeith, EH22 3BQ 🌣 Families 🌣 This activity will get you learning some tennis skills, if you fancy starting on the road to winning Wimbledon then come along and get some great coaching and have some fun at the same time. 🌣 FREE 🌣 Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 lleadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

10 JULY

POND DIPPING

13:30-15:00 ♥ Vogrie
Country Park, Gorebridge,
EH23 4NU ♥ ALL AGES ♥
Come along and dip in the
pond for tadpoles, find the
first frog and complete the
pond bingo cards. ♥ FREE
(£2 parking) ♥ Booking
essential. Call 01875
821716 Fri-Mon.

10 JULY

OUTDOOR COMMUNITY QUIZ

13:00 Newtongrange
Library, Saint Davids,
Newtongrange, EH22 4LG
Families This is a fun
activity for families where
you will go around the
community, find the
answers to some questions
about the history of
Newtongrange and gather
information, photos and
maybe some hidden
treasure. Meet at the
library and dress
appropriately for the

weather! There will be a prize! FREE Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 lleadultsfamilies@midlothian.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

10 JULY

CHAS TEDDY'S BEAR PICNIC

10:00-16:00 → Fort
Douglas, Dalkeith Country
Park, Via King's Gate,
Dalkeith, Edinburgh,
Scotland, EH22 1ST → ALL
AGES → Come join us at our
CHAS Teddy Bears' picnic
day because in Fort
Douglas, we are going on a
bear hunt and you can join
in too. → Free with entry to
Fort Douglas. 0-24mths
free, 2-4yrs £5, 5-12yrs £7,
adult (13+) £3. → Booking
not required.

11-14 JULY

VOGRIE SUPERHERO ADVENTURE

From 10:45 Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge, EH23 4NU C Under 12s C A fun event that will last approximately one and a half hours. Create your super mask and find your powers and then you can join the champions on their mission to save Vogrie! 🌣 Child £7.09*, Adult £3.94*, Group of 5 £21.79* (*incl. booking fee). +£2 parking 🌣 Via Facebook and https://vogriesuperhvogries uperh.brownbrownpaperti. com/ https://www.brownpaperti ckets.com/event/4225557

KIDS FOR A QUID TRAIN TRAVEL

Children travel for £1 with a paying adult on Scotrail and other trains in Scotland.
Free entry to any many places with this ticket scotrail.co.uk/tickets/kidsfor-a-quid

11, 18, 25 JULY 1, 8 AUGUST

BUZZY BEES MUSIC – HOLIDAY BUZZ

10:00-11:00 🌣

Newtongrange Church Hall Ages 3mths—8yrs Lots of music, art & crafts & of course bubbles! £6.50 per class - £5 for siblings & under 1s. Booking recommended . Email erin@buzzybeesmusic.com facebook.com/buzzybeesmusic

11, 18, 25 JULY 1, 8 AUGUST

KRAFTY KREATIONS -MESSY PLAYAND SENSORY SESSIONS

10:00-11:00 ♣ Gorebridge Beacon, Hunterfield Road, Gorebridge ♣ Ages 6mths-6yrs ♣ Messy play session ♣ £5 per class ♣ Booking essential . facebook.com/pg/kraftykre

11 JULY

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CRAFTS - MARBLE EFFECTS

10:30-12:00 ♣ Aim High, 14 Woodburn Avenue, Dalkeith, EH22 2BP ♣ Families ♣ Create a marble effect on card, using shaving foam, acrylic paint and inks. Good idea to wear older clothes or bring an old shirt to wear. ♣ FREE ♣ Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200

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11, 22 JULY

n.gov.uk

TEST YOUR SCIENCE

Call 0131 270 5694

13:30-15:00 ♣ Aim High, 14
Woodburn Avenue,
Dalkeith, EH22 2BP ♣
Families ♣ Science covers
many things and the two
sessions may contain
different activities. Might

create chemical reactions by making volcanoes, checking for acid and alkali in liquids and playing with sounds. FREE Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 lleadultsfamilies@midlothian.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

12 JULY

CRAFTS – JUNK SCULPTURE

10:30-12:00 Danderhall Library, 1A Campview, Danderhall, EH22 1QD 🌣 Families 🌣 How tall can you make a structure? What makes it stay up? Let's recycle and create our own 'junk sculptures'. If we have time, we will also make some dragon heads, using egg boxes. FREE 🌣 **Booking** https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 Ileadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

13 JULY

DALKEITH SHOW

13:30-16:00 Dalkeith Country Park, Dalkeith **ALL AGES** A feature of the Show is the huge range of competitions, in categories for cattle, sheep, horses, ponies, dogs, crafts, baking among others. Around 100 trade and craft stands showcase farm machinery, motor vehicles, furniture, shepherds' crooks, gifts and foodstuffs. Attractions include a large display of vintage tractors, a children's area (with bouncy castles and slides) and a licensed catering and bar marquee. Throughout the day, the main ring will be hosting entertainment events. Something for everyone! Adult £10,

concession/child under 16 £5 (carers free), children under 5 free, family ticket: (2 adults and 2 children under 16) £25 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Save 20% if purchase tickets from Morrisons, Dalkeith. Cash only. dalkeithshow.co.uk

15 JULY

NO COOK COOKING!

10:30-12:00 🌣 Aim High, 14 Woodburn Avenue, Dalkeith, EH22 2BP 🌣 Families 🌣 Do you like cooking? Then, why not come along and make some tray bakes or other simple recipes with us. 🌣 FREE 🌣 **Booking** https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 lleadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

15 JULY

CRAFTS – MAKE YOUR OWN BOOK, 1

13:30-15:00 Aim High, 14 Woodburn Avenue, Dalkeith, EH22 2BP 🌣 Families At each session we will create a different type of book which you can decorate at the Summer Family Fun activity or at home. We will be using lots of different materials for the books and you will take away everything that you create. 🌣 FREE 🌣 Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 Ileadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk

17 JULY

MINI BEASTS

Call 0131 270 5694

13:30-15:00 ♥ Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge, EH23 4NU ♥ ALL AGES ♥ We will be roaming around in the undergrowth, digging for worms and running after butterflies in search of the biggest mini beast in town.

FREE (£2 parking)

Booking essential. Call
01875 821716 Fri-Mon.

18 JULY

LEGO

14:00-15:00 ♣ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♣ ALL AGES ♣ Lego club ♣ FREE ♣ Booking not required.

18 JULY

THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS – QUANTUM THEATRE

15:00 (doors open 14:30) 🌣 Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge, EH23 4NU 🌣 **ALL AGES** Join Ratty, Mole, Badger and Toad on their madcap adventures along the riverbank. The performance will continue regardless of weather (unless the park is closed due to high winds when refunds will be given). Adult £10 Child, £6, Family £27.50, Children in laps under 2 years old are free. (+£2 parking) 🌣 www.quantumtheatre.co.u

22 JULY

BUILD A BISCUIT ROCKET

14:00-15:00 ♣ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♣ ALL AGES ♣ Build a rocket out of biscuits but do you launch it or eat it – your choice! ♣ FREE ♣ Booking not required.

C DEALS

Look out for deals on likes of itison (itison.com), Groupon (groupon.co.uk) and Wowcher (wowcher.co.uk).

22 JULY

LITTER PICK WITH GOREBRIDGE AND DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

10:00-12:00 ♣ Football fields known as Gore Glen Complex, just off Engine Rd, Gorebridge ♣ ALL AGES but children must be accompanied by an adult ♣ 'Many hands make light work'. Join the team and take part to do as much or as little as you wish or feel able. A well cared for and clean environment benefits the local economy. ♣ FREE ♣ No booking required.

22 JULY

BUZZY BEES MUSIC – TASTER SESSION

13:15 ♣ Gorebridge
Beacon, Hunterfield Road ♣
Ages 3mths—8yrs ♣ Lots of
music, art & crafts & of
course bubbles! ♣ FREE ♣
Booking required . Email
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22 to 26 JULY

PRE-SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS

10:00-10:30 and 10:4011:10 ♣ Lasswade Centre
11 Hopefield Park,
Bonnyrigg EH19 2NE ♣
Ages 3-5 ♣ Instructor led
sessions – With the aim to
have every child able to
move themselves through
the water. To increase
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some early swimming
techniques. ♣ £28.50 for 5
day course ♣ Booking
through Lasswade Centre
reception on 0131 271 4533

22 to 26 JULY

JUNIOR SWIMMING LESSONS

11:20-11:55 and 12:00-12:35 Casswade Centre 11 Hopefield Park, Bonnyrigg EH19 2NE 🌣 Ages 5+ 🌣 Instructor led -The aim at the end of this level is that Children should have developed basic water skills, including breathing, submerging, buoyancy, controlled propulsion and stamina swimming. 🌣 £28.50 for 5 day course 🌣 Booking through Lasswade Centre reception on 0131 271 4533

22 to 24 JULY

MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

08:30-15:30 ♥ Newbattle Community Campus, Newbattle Road, Easthouses, EH22 4SX 🌣 Ages 8-12 The camps will include fun games and sports coaching aimed at developing core skills, as well as social, personal and team awareness. The camps are open to boys and girls of any ability. 🌣 £60 for 3 day course 🌣 Booking through Newbattle Campus 0131 561 6740. For more information please contact: Mary Mackie Community **Recreation Officer** 07827 663 951

23 JULY

SCIENCE FAIR – HOW DOES YOUR BODY WORK?

11:00-15:00 ♣ Gorebridge
Leisure Centre ♣ ALL AGES
♣ Glasgow Science Centre
is coming to Gorebridge – A
fun and fully interactive
afternoon filled with hands
on exhibits on body and
muscle function. Come and
learn how your body works,
how and why we digest
food for energy, how our
muscles MOVE, test your
strength and so much more.
♣ FREE ♣ Booking

required. Please see GolexaFshd on Facebook or email Alexandrafundingfshd@yah oo.com

23 - 25 JULY 30 JULY – 1 AUGUST 6 – 8 AUGUST

BUMBLEBEE SPORTS HOLIDAY CLUB

09:00-16:00 Clencorse

Centre, 4 Firth Road, Auchendinny, EH26 0QZ 🌣 Ages 3-10 ! Inclusive, developmental multi-sports coaching for children. Focus on high-energy combination of games, sports and allround active entertainment plus some arts and crafts for everyone to get their breath back! Snack is provided, but if child is booked in for full day lunch has to be supplied. 🌣 Full week £90, single day £30, half day £18 🌣 https://bumblebeesports.cl ass4kids.co.uk/camp/5 Call 07598 569 325, Email: info@bumblebeesports.co. uk, Facebook: /bumblebeesportsscotland

24 JULY

GEOCACHING

13:00-15:00 🌣 Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge, EH23 4NU 🌣 ALL AGES 🌣 Fun activity for families. Learn about global geocaching and navigate around the park trying to find some hidden small boxes. Uses smartphone technology. If you don't have one then we will pair you up. 🌣 Meet at Vogrie House main car park and dress appropriately for the weather! 🌣 FREE (£2 parking) 🌣 Booking https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 lleadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

24 JULY

WATER AND BUBBLES 13:30-15:00 ♥ Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge, EH23 4NU ♥ ALL AGES ♥ Come along and play team games with water and bubbles. Plan to get rather wet and soapy! ♥ FREE (£2 parking) ♥ Booking essential. Call 01875

24, 25, 26 JULY 31 JULY, 1, 2 AUGUST

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LEGENDS AND DIVAS

Age 3-7 10:30-12:00 **Age 8-16** 12:30-15:00 SKA Studios, 30/3 Hardengreen Industrial Estate, Eskbank, Eh22 3NX Dance and summer activities. Included: commercial workshop, lyrical workshop, SKA Dance Summer t-shirt, music video showcasing what we've been working on! Age 3-7 £15 for one day or £30 for three. Age 8-16 £15 for one day or £35 for three. 🌣 To book or for more information email shannonkallan@outlook.co

25 JULY 14 AUGUST

FOREST SCHOOL TASTER SESSIONS

09:00-15:00 Newbattle Abbey College, EH22 3LL 🌣 Primary aged chidren 🌣 Come and learn new skills, build fires, climb trees, make new friends, use tools, create art and play in the woods. These sessions are most suitable for primary school aged children and we have two dates to choose from. 🌣 £45 per day 🌣 To book and for more information email midlothianforestschool@g mail.com facebook.com/midlothianfo restschool

25 JULY

CODING TASTER

14:00-15:00 ♣ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♣ ALL AGES ♣ Coding taster session ♣ FREE ♣ Booking not required.

26 JULY

CIRCUS SKILLS WORKSHOP & CRAFTS

Various sessions from 11:00 National Mining Museum Scotland, Newtongrange 🌣 Ages 4-12 PRoll up, roll up....for our fantastic circus skills workshop for kids!! Try your hand at platespinning, object balancing, hula-hoop, diablo and other fun circus skills! Sessions last 1 hour (30 mins circus skills and 30 mins crafts). 🌣 £6 per child 🌣 https://nationalminingmuse um.cloudvenue.co.uk/circus skillsworkshopcrafts Call 0131 663 7519

29 JULY

MAKE AN ALIEN CRAFT SESSION

14:00-15:00 ♣ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♣ ALL AGES ♣ Make your own alien...or maybe a whole family! ♣ FREE ♣ Booking not required.

31 JULY

WELLY WALK

13:30-15:00 ♥ Vogrie
Country Park, Gorebridge,
EH23 4NU ♥ ALL AGES ♥
Dust off your wellies for a
summer outing and join us
for a walk on the wild side,
through muddy puddles and
trickling streams. To make a
splash at this event, some
old clothes would be the
fashion of choice! Plan to
get wet. ♥ FREE (£2
parking) ♥ Booking
essential. Call 01875
821716 Fri-Mon.

31 JULY

SUNFLOWER CHALLENGE WORKSHOP

11:00 and 14:00 P National Mining Museum Scotland, Newtongrange ALL AGES Come along and decorate a terracotta flower pot before planting your very own sunflower seed! Look after it throughout the summer and at the end of the holidays measure and name your sunflower then share your photo on our Facebook page. The tallest sunflower wins a prize. 🌣 £5 per child 🌣 https://nationalminingmuse um.cloudvenue.co.uk/sunfl owerchallengeworkshop Call 0131 663 7519

AUGUST

1 AUGUST

NO COOK COOKING!

10:30-12:00 🌣 Aim High, 14 Woodburn Avenue, Dalkeith, EH22 2BP 🌣 Families Do you like cooking? Then, why not come along and make some tray bakes or other simple recipes with us. 🌣 FREE 🌣 **Booking** https://www.eventbrite.co. uk/o/lifelong-learning-ampemployability-midlothian-12452159200 Ileadultsfamilies@midlothia n.gov.uk Call 0131 270 5694

1 AUGUST

LEGO

14:00-15:00 ♥ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♥ ALL AGES ♥ Lego club ♥ FREE ♥ Booking not required.

3 AUGUST

KIDS DO FORTH ON THE FRINGE

10:00 ☆ Assembly Hall, Mound Place ❖ Ages 6-10 Hosted by Bec Hill, Kids Do Forth on the Fringe is set to showcase the very best in family Fringe entertainment from the Edinburgh Festival. Come along, bring the kids, sit back and be entertained for the morning...we'll have storytelling, magic tricks, music, slap stick, comedy and lots more. # £10 (to be confirmed) 🌣 Book via Assembly assemblyfestival.com/whats -on/kids-do-forth-on-thefringe or Box Office 0131 623 3030 or tickets.edfringe.com/whatson/kids-do-forth-on-thefringe

4 AUGUST

BIG LUNCH AND VOLUNTEER FAIR by Gorebridge Community Cares

13:00-15:00 Auld Gala Park, Barleyknowe Lane, Gorebridge EH23 4UY 🌣 ALL AGES The Big Lunch -Bring a picnic to share. Volunteer Fair- Meet the local community groups and find out what they do. The Gorebridge Lowland Games - Athletes, poets and the arty. Cute pet Competition, Bouncy Castles, Teddy Bears Picnic, Cake decorating, Arts and Crafts, Glitter Tattoos 🌣 FREE * Booking not required. More information from Gorebridge Community Cares on Facebook.

5 AUGUST

SUMMER CRAFTS

14:00-15:00 ♣ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♣ ALL AGES ♣ Summer themed craft session ♣ FREE ♣ Booking not required.

5 TO 7 AUGUST 12 TO 14 AUGUST

PRE-SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS

15:00-15:30 ♣ Newbattle
Community Campus,
Newbattle Road,
Easthouses, EH22 4SX ♣
Ages 3-5 ♣ Instructor led
sessions – With the aim to
have every child able to
move themselves through
the water. To increase
confidence and introduce
some early swimming
techniques. ♣ £17.10 for 3
day course ♣ Booking
through Newbattle Campus
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5 TO 9 AUGUST 12 TO 16 AUGUST

JUNIOR SWIMMING LESSONS

15:45-16:20 ♣ Newbattle
Community Campus,
Newbattle Road,
Easthouses, EH22 4SX ♣
Ages 5+ ♣ Instructor led The aim at the end of this
level is that Children should
have developed basic water
skills, including breathing,
submerging, buoyancy,
controlled propulsion and
stamina swimming. ♣
£28.50 for 5 day course ♣
Booking through Newbattle
Campus 0131 561 6740

5 TO 7 AUGUST

MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

08:30-15:30 Casswade Centre 11 Hopefield Park, Bonnyrigg EH19 2NE 🌣 **Ages 8-12 ☼** The camps will include fun games and sports coaching aimed at developing core skills, as well as social, personal and team awareness. The camps are open to boys and girls of any ability. 🌣 £60 for 3 day course 🌣 Booking through Lasswade Centre reception on 0131 271 4533. More information: Mary Mackie 07827 663 951

5 TO 9 AUGUST

STAGE N SLAM

13:00-20:00

Corebridge Primary
School and Gorebridge
Parish Church P7-S6 A
fun-packed week looking
into who God is alongside
sports and arts FREE
To book or for more
information contact Ross
Watters, Youth Minister
Gorebridge Parish Church
on 07737 628 965

5 TO 9 AUGUST

FANCY FOOTWORK SUMMER CAMP

Juniors 09:00-11:00 P3-P5 11:00-13:00 P6/7 13:00-15:00 High School 13:00-15:00 Newbattle Community Campus, Newbattle Road, Easthouses, EH22 4SX 🌣 Hip-hop, commercial, contemporary and cheer. Included are showcase on Friday night, limited edition t-shirt, snack & drink, guest teachers, crafts & games. 🌣 £50 🌣 To book email danielle.fancyfootwork@g mail.com or call 07791917253

7 AUGUST

LATE SUMMER POND DIPPING FOR GROWN UP FROGS

13:00-15:30 ♥ Vogrie
Country Park, Gorebridge,
EH23 4NU ♥ ALL AGES ♥
Join us to discover if all the
tadpoles have turned into
frogs and if a frog can
indeed turn into a prince?!
We have everything you
need to take to the
deep...just bring yourselves
for a dip. ♥ FREE (£2
parking) ♥ Booking not
required.

8 AUGUST

GAMES

14:00-16:00 ☼ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ❖ ALL AGES ❖ We've got board games, jigsaws, or why not try some traditional games? ❖ FREE ❖ Booking not required.

10 AUGUST

FAMILY BIOBLITZ DAY

10:00-14:00 🌣 The Gatehouse, Newbattle Abbey College, EH22 3LL (green door immediately on right as you turn into main College driveway) 🌣 ALL AGES Can you help the **Newbattle Community** Woodland Ranger find all the exciting creatures that live in Lord Ancrum's Wood? Come and be a wildlife detective for a day full of bug hunting, bird watching and stream dipping. 🌣 FREE 🌣 Contact Community Woodland Ranger on lauragoble@newbattleabbe ycollege.ac.uk

10 AUGUST

OUTDOOR SKATING WITH LOTHIAN ROLLER DERBY

14:00-16:00 C King George's Field, Bonnyrigg, EH19 2AD 🌣 ALL AGES 🌣 Beginners onwards. Join Lothian Roller Derby on their skates for an open skate session and learn how to make the most of the skate park! Bring your own wheels and safety gear to join us, or just enjoy watching the team in action. May be cancelled if it is wet but will aim to reschedule. 🌣 FREE 🌣 Booking not required. facebook.com/ lothianrollerderby

11 AUGUST

VOGRIE PARK MINATURE RAILWAY

13:00-17:00 ♥ Vogrie
Country Park, Gorebridge,
EH23 4NU ♥ ALL AGES ♥
Train rides at Vogrie Park
Railway operated by

Eskvalley Model
Engineering Society. # £1
per head. (£2 parking) #
Booking not required.

12 AUGUST

CODING TASTER

14:00-15:00 ♥ Gorebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ♥ ALL AGES ♥ Coding taster session ♥ FREE ♥ Booking not required.

12 AUGUST

MILKHALL POND WILDLIFE WANDER

10:00-12:00 ♣ Midlothian Indoor Bowling Club, Edinburgh Road, Dalkeith ♣ ALL AGES ♣ Come and discover the watery wonders of these little known wildlife ponds on this short walk in the southern end of Midlothian. (A FREE bus will take you to the start and return to Dalkeith) ♣ FREE (£2 parking) ♣ Booking essential. Call 01875 821716 Fri-Mon.

12 AUGUST

DALKEITH COUNTRY PARK ROVER AND WOODLAND WALK

13:30-16:00 Dalkeith Country Park, Main entrance gate, High Street, Dalkeith ALL AGES A circular walk through some of Dalkeith Estates most beautiful and historic landscapes. The route follows both the Rivers South and North Esk through woodland paths to the Meeting of the Waters. The walk back to the start is through ancient oak woodlands with some trees known to be 900 years of age. 🌣 FREE (£2 parking) 🌣 To book: Call Vogrie 01875 821716 Fri-Mon.

12-16 AUGUST

CHAIRLIFT RIDES

Midlothian Snowsports Centre, Hillend, EH10 7DU ALL AGES (height restrictions) 🌣 Enjoy panoramic views across Edinburgh and the Firth of Forth. You must get off at the top, but you can hop straight back on or go for a walk and enjoy the views. # £3.25 Adult return journey £2 Children return journey 🌣 To book, find out height restrictions and confirm running hours, contact reception on 0131 445 4433 or www.ski.midlothian.gov.uk

13 AUGUST

ESKBANK TO PENICUIK CYCLE

11:00-14:00 CEskbank Railway Station car park near interactive screen, Eskbank, Dalkeith. EH22 3FR 🌣 Families 🌣 Midlothian **Council Active Travel Officer** will take you on a gentle ride for everyone, old and young. Families with children welcome. Eskbank to Penicuik and back. What to bring: bicycle, helmet; high visibility jacket (optional). FREE (£2 parking) 🌣 To book: Call Active Travel Team 0131 270 6724

13 AUGUST

INTRODUCTION TO GEOCACHING

14:00-16:30 ♣ Front hall of Vogrie House, Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge EH23 4NU ♣ Families ♣ Learn about geocaching, what's involved and how to navigate using GPS coordinates. Follow a trail around the park and discover the hidden code. What to bring: good footwear, smartphone. ♣ FREE (£2 parking) ♣ Booking not required.

14 AUGUST

CYCLE: LEARN TO RIDE 13:30-15:00 Vogrie House, Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge EH23 4NU 🌣 Ages 5-12 🌣 Whether you would like some fine tuning with the art of balancing, changing gears or learning

from scratch, there is no shame in needing some help – join this session with Sustrans iBike Officer, Roslynn to build your confidence and skills with bike riding. What to bring: Your child's bike and helmet-these can be provided but will require prebooking. FREE (£2 parking) 🌣 To book: Prebooking is required parents of younger children will be required to stay to help if need be and to learn tips for developing balance

bike skills. Contact Roslynn

Roslynn.Newman@midlothi

14 AUGUST

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NATURE: JUNIOR RANGERS 13:00-16:00 The Gatehouse, Newbattle Abbey College, EH22 3LL (green door immediately on right as you turn into main College driveway) Ages **7-14** Do you want to be a Ranger for the afternoon? We need your help to look after Lord Ancrum's Wood,

so pull your wellies on and join us to learn about woodland habitat management. Under 18s must be accompanied by a responsible adult. What to bring: Waterproofs, good footwear. FREE (£2 parking) 🌣 To book: **Contact Community** Woodland Ranger on lauragoble@newbattleabbe ycollege.ac.uk

14 AUGUST

NATURE DETECTIVES: POND AND MINIBEAST

13:30-15:00 🌣 Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge EH23 4NU ALL Drop in to our natural museum to dip, dive and hunt for beasties to add to our collection. You will be part of our Citizen Science project to help record all living things that live here... FREE (£2 parking) Dooking not required.

15 AUGUST

LEGO

14:00-15:00 Corebridge Library, 98 Hunterfield Rd, Gorebridge EH23 4TT ALL AGES ♥ Lego club ♥ FREE Booking not required.

15 AUGUST

PARKOUR IN THE PARK

11:00-12:00 ages 6-12 yrs 12:00-13:00 ages 12+ 14:00-15:00 ages 6-12 yrs 15:00-16:00 ages 12+ Vogrie House, Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge EH23 4NU Ages 6-12 and 12+ Doin the coaches from Access Parkour and learn to jump, spin and climb in style! Perfect for improvers, beginners, and anyone wanting their first taste of parkour in a safe controlled environment. What to bring: trainers, comfy, warm clothing, waterproofs if wet weather forecast. £4 per hour per child (+£2 parking) To book: call Vogrie 01875 821716 Fri-Mon

16 AUGUST

DOG FURFRIENDLY TRACKIN TRAIL

14:00-16:30 🌣 Vogrie House, Vogrie Country Park, Gorebridge EH23 4NU 🌣 **ALL** ♥ Join 'Dog Furiendly' and take your dogs on a treasure hunt around Vogrie Country Park. Use

either the map or GPS coordinates provided to follow the trail around the park. Find the clues and solve the puzzle to win a wee something for your doggie. What to bring: good footwear., smartphone, poo bags! FREE (£2 parking) Booking not required.

17 AUGUST

FAMILY FUN DAY

11:00-16:00 National Mining Museum Scotland, Newtongrange 🌣 ALL 🌣 Annual Family Fun Day returns! Miniature Railway, Face Painters, Gordon's Magic & Puppet Show, Balloon Modelling, Bouncy Castle, Dress Up, Princess & Pirate activities, Archery, Giant Snakes & Ladders, Giant Dominoes, Butterfly & Insect World, Raffle, Craft Stalls, Food Stalls 🌣 £5 per person, £18 per family (2 adults & 3 kids) Dooking: https://nationalminingmuse um.cloudvenue.co.uk/famil yfunday2019 Call 0131 663 7519 for more information.

17 AUGUST

DOGS ALLOWED

10:30-16:30 Arniston House, Arniston Estate, EH23 4RY, Gorebridge 🌣 **ALL** Doin us for a great family day out to celebrate all the ways in which dogs help and enhance our lives. Visit with a number of organisations and charities that work with service dogs, stop by our Vet Check station to learn about ways you can take best care of your beloved friends and join in a number of games and activities with your dogs. There will be yummy food stands, a Crafter's Hall for hand made good for people and pets, face painting, a photo booth, a range of demonstrations throughout the day and our

Pet Parade. # £2-£6 # Booking via facebook.com/events/4127 37579280998/ eventbrite.co.uk/e/dogsallowed-tickets-62485862898

18 AUGUST

GORE GLEN WOODLAND WALK

13:30-16:30 C Meeting Point: Playing fields off Engine Road, Gorebridge. EH23 4AQ 🌣 ALL 🌣 From grassy fields, this pleasant circular walk follows the Gore Water and River South Esk through this once industrial landscape now reclaimed by nature. Woodland paths will take you to the highest point on route with spectacular views across the Glen and Pentland Hills. The final stop on our journey before we finish will be the remains of Newbyres Castle. Ascent: 110m • Miles: 4.5. 🌣 FREE 🌣 To book: call Vogrie 01875 821716 Fri-Mon

🌣 EDINBURGH FESTIVAL 🌣

It's the biggest carnival in the world and you can enjoy it for free. A good option is to take a walk along the Royal Mile to see jugglers, acrobats, comics and musicians. For shows, try the Laughing Horse's Free Festival, which has a range of children's events as well as more risqué latenight performances. From 15-31 August, the **Edinburgh International** Book Festival has free storytelling, aimed at children aged between three and ten, every day at noon and 3pm. (www.edinburghfestivals.com)