

GeoFest 2018

What's On in The Geopark

26th May to 2nd Sept

Lots of Guided Walks, Children's Activities, Tours, Exhibitions, Workshops and much more across parts of Shropshire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Gloucestershire – Fun for all the family.

More events and details on our website

www.geopark.org.uk



GeoFest is sponsored by



For more details check with the venue. Events are free unless stated, although normal admission charges (if applicable) may apply.

Building Stones and Geology along the Railway - an exhibition

Sat 26th to Tues 29th May. Severn Valley Railway, Kidderminster Station
All day.

Great British Bee Count at Severn Valley Country Park

Sat 26th May-Sun 3rd June 11:00-16:00

Join us for a bee themed self-led trail. Find out more about these great insects and see if you can answer the quiz questions along the way. Trail maps £2 each, includes a small prize.

Dambusters Trail at NT Brockhampton, Herefordshire

26th May – 4th June

£2.50 per trail, includes a prize.

Fun at NT The Firs, Lower Broadheath

26th May – 3rd June

Edwardian games & a trail around our outdoor games with a prize at the end.

£2 per trail.

Minibeast Mansion Madness! At SVCP

Wednesday 30th May 10am-12pm & 1.30pm-3.30pm

Help build a brilliant, big, Bug Hotel for all the minibeasts living in the woods

£4 per children, suitable for age 4+. Under 8s must be accompanied by an adult. Booking required 01746 781192.

Bee activity at Severn Valley Country Park

Thurs 31st May 11:00-13:00 (drop in)

Plant a sunflower and make your own colourful flying bee. £4.00 per child, Under 8s must be accompanied by an adult.

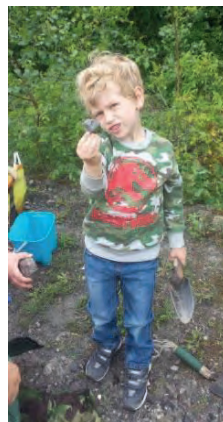
Family Forest Play at Wyre Forest

Fri 1st June 10:00-11:30

Outdoor play group for pre-schoolers including drink & campfire cooked snack £5. Booking required 07970972271.

Rock & Fossil Hunt at Severn Valley County Park

Sat 2nd June & Sat 30th June 13:30-15:00



Join our rangers & local experts to try finding your own fossil!
After an introduction we'll set out to see what we can discover, with experts on hand, then return to examine your finds under a microscope. Please bring a small trowel & plastic tub with you to aid your fossil hunting. Booking required on 01746 781 192. Child £4, adult free, all children must be accompanied by an adult. Suitable for age 5+

Goods Gala at Severn Valley Railway

Sat 2nd & Sun 3rd June

Special events to celebrate steam locomotive No. 2857's 100th birthday!
Also celebrating Eardington Halt's 150th birthday. Normal fares apply

Family Yoga at Bodenham Arboretum

Sat 9th June 14:30-16:00

£12 for an adult & child, £3 per additional child – book on 01562 852444

Open Farm Sunday at Warren Farm , NT Brockhampton

Sun 10th June 11:00-16:00

Meet the Hawkins family at Warren Farm, situated on the top of the National Trust's Brockhampton Estate.

It's All About the Dogs with BBC Hereford & Worcester at Cob House

Sun 10th June 10:00 - 16:00

Lots of dog related stalls and attractions. For more details, contact Mandi Harris 01905 748485 Mandi.harris@bbc.co.uk

Lost Landscapes Exhibition at The Hive & Worcester Art Gallery & Museum

16th June – 8th Sept

Three exhibitions on Ice Age and Palaeolithic Worcester from Worcs Archive & Archaeology Service & Worcester City Art Gallery & Museum. Celebrating half a million years of Worcestershire's history, from the time our ancestors arrived until the end of the last Ice Age 10,000 years ago. Visit the Ice Age and come face to face with a Neanderthal, crawl inside our Ice Age shelter and meet Fluffy the Woolly Mammoth. www.iceageworcestershire.com



Let's Celebrate! The Hive and Worcester Art Gallery and Museum

Saturday 16th June 11:00-16:00

Free events and activities to launch the new Ice Age exhibitions.

Boys in the Wood / Family Forest Adventures – Wyre Forest

Sat 16th June & Sat 14th July – 10:00-12:00 (Boys), 13:00-15:00 (Family)

Sessions for male carers and children and for family groups, £6.50. Booking required 07970972271.

Father's Day BBQ, Beer & Ceilidh Band at NT Brockhampton

Sun 17th June 11:00-16:00

Special barbecue and band at Brockhampton Estate.

Family Wildlife Day at Severn Valley Country Park

Sat 23rd June, 11am onwards

Take part in pond dipping, minibeast hunts, wildflower walks and much more. Ranger-led sessions will take place throughout the day and will be priced individually. Call for details: 01746 781192

An Evening with Whalebone at SVCP

Saturday 23rd June, 7.30pm

An evening of folk music with local award-winning band Whalebone. £10/£6. Please call 01746 781192 to book tickets

Butterfly Walk at NT Dudmaston

Sun 24th June & 1st July 11:00-12:30

Booking not needed. Meet our volunteer Roger in the Comer Woods car park



Step back to the 1940s at Severn Valley Railway

Sat 30th June & Sun 1st, Sat 7th & Sun 8th July

Turn the clocks back to the 1940s with this light-hearted journey back to wartime Britain. Lots of special events at each station and on the trains. Revised fares apply

Specimen conservation for the Ice Age: freeing the moose head & other stories

Tues 10th July – Worcester Art Gallery and Museum 13:00 – 13:30

Join us for a lunch-time talk and discover more about specimen conservation for the Ice Age exhibition. £3

Palaeolithic Life and Environment

Mondays 16th & 30th July, 13th Aug, 3rd Sept 19:00-21:00 – WAAS, The Hive
Join Worcs Archive & Archaeology Service for four lectures with different experts exploring aspects of Palaeolithic life in ancient Britain and the evidence that we have here in Worcestershire right beneath your feet.
www.iceageworcestershire.com

Family Den Building Challenge at NT Kinver Edge

20th & 25th July, 3rd, 8th, 17th, 22nd & 31st August 11:00-13:00
£5 per family

Children's Summer Activities at Bewdley Museum

21st July – 31st August

Children's arts and crafts activities take place every day Monday – Friday throughout the summer holidays. Includes fossil casting on certain days. Free. See website for more details.

Children's Summer Activities at Severn Valley Country Park

21st July – 2nd September

There'll be a full programme of children's events in the school holidays here. For details, call the ranger team on 01746 781 192.

Blitz Spirit Outdoor Games at NT Brockhampton

21st July – 9th Aug 11:00-16:30

Outdoor family games, including giant jenga, noughts & crosses, & croquet.

Face Painting at Cob House Country Park

Tues 24th July & Tues 14th August 11:00-14:00pm

Face Painting with Artistic Tinker in the Mayfly Café. From £4.

Rocks and Relics at Cob House Country Park

Sat 28th & Sun 29th July

Come and find out more about local archaeology & geology, and try your hand at the rock and fossil detective trail or dig for a dinosaur.

EEK! – a giant Ice Age batik! At The Hive (WAAS)

Tuesday 31st July – 11:00 – 15:00 (drop in)

Produce a GIANT Ice Age batik for the exhibition. Plus a workshop exploring Ice Age art. Audience: 7 years+



Prehistoric pottery + clay impressions

Thurs 2nd August – Worcester Art Gallery & Museum 11:00 – 15:00 (drop in)
Come & make your very own prehistoric pots and clay. £3



Rock & Fossil Hunt at Severn Valley County Park

Thurs 2nd Aug 13:30pm-15:00

Join our rangers & experts to hunt for your own fossil! See 2nd June for details

Cave Art Day!

Thurs 9th August – Art Gallery and Museum 11:00 – 15:00

Family drop in day which will be fun & messy as we make paints from natural pigments, draw with charcoal and create a colourful cave art mural . £3 for materials

Outdoor Theatre: Much Ado About Nothing at SVC

Friday 10th August

£14/£12/£6. Call 01746 781192 or visit www.rainorshine.co.uk for tickets



Worcester Cathedral Library Tour

11th, 16th, 18th & 23rd August 12:00-13:00

£5, book through Worcester Live 01905 611427.

Worcester Cathedral Mason Yard Tour

13th & 22nd August 10:00-11:00

£5, book through Worcester Live 01905 611427.

Bite Size Talk - Graven upon their old bones

Mon 14th Aug – Worcester Art Gallery & Museum 13:00 – 13:30

30 minute bite-sized talk on Worcestershire's 19thC Ice Age collectors, £3

Crafty Geology for the Family at Worcester Cathedral

Thurs 16th Aug & Thurs 23rd Aug 10:30-12:30 & 14:00-16:00

Fill your boots with an explosion of crafts, fossils and rocks.

Delve into the deep blue and create your own ancient fossilised sea bed or stencil away and let your imagination shine. Create your own masterpiece with pebble and fossil painting to take home or join the 'Love on the Rocks' craze and share your artwork with strangers. Free

Worcester Cathedral Upper Reaches Tour

14th 16th, 18th, 21st, 23rd, 25th August 13:30-14:30

£5, book through Worcester Live 01905 611427.

Technology of The Ice Age at The Hive, Worcester

Monday 20th August 13:00-16:00

Flint knapping demonstration and a look at the tools and materials that our Ice Age ancestors would have utilised.

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Outdoor Theatre: Love's Labours Lost

Tue 28 August 19:00 NT Greyfriars, Worcester

£13.50/£8 + booking fee www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3404469

Family Ice Age Drop in Day

Wed 29th Aug - Worcester Art Gallery & Museum 11:00 – 15:00

Join Stephen Fowler to create some amazing Lost Landscape prints. £3

Bat Walk at NT Dudmaston

Sat 1st Sept 20:00-22:00

£6/£3 call 03442 491895

Rock & Fossil Challenge at Bewdley Museum

Sat 1st & Sun 2nd Sept 12:00-15:00

Become a fossil hunter - find and identify hidden fossils!

Please see our website www.geopark.org which contains details about extra events too and information about the Geopark, places to visit and the history and geology. Our partner venues are well worth visiting throughout the summer. We also regularly update our Abberley & Malvern Hills Geopark Facebook page. For general enquiries please email amhg@outlook.com

Bewdley Museum, Load Street, Bewdley, DY12 2AE www.bewdleymuseum.co.uk

Bodenham Arboretum, Bodenham Ln, Kidderminster DY11 5TB
www.bodenhamarboretum.co.uk

Cob House Country Park, Wichenford, Worcester WR6 6YD
www.cobhouse.org

Gloucestershire Geology Trust www.glosgeotrust.org.uk/

Hereford Museum & Art Gallery, Broad Street, Hereford HR4 9AU
www.herefordshire.gov.uk/museums

Land of Living Dinosaurs, Bewdley, Worcs, DY12 1LF www.wmsp.co.uk

National Trust

- Dudmaston, Quatt, nr Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV15 5QN
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/Dudmaston
- Brockhampton Estate, near Bromyard, Herefordshire, WR6 5TB
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/brockhampton-estate
- The Firs, Lower Broadheath, Worcs www.nationaltrust.org.uk/the-firs
- Greyfriars, Worcester www.nationaltrust.org.uk/greyfriars-house-and-garden
- Kinver Edge, near Stourbridge, Staffs, DY7 6DL www.nationaltrust.org.uk/kinver-edge-and-the-rock-houses

Severn Valley Country Park, Chapel Lane, Alveley, Bridgnorth WV15 6NG
www.shropshiresgreatoutdoors.co.uk/site/severn-valley-country-park

Severn Valley Railway www.svr.co.uk

Worcester Art Gallery & Museum, Foregate Street, Worcester, WR1 1DT
www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk

Worcester Cathedral, Worcester, WR1 2LA www.worcestercathedral.co.uk

Worcestershire Archive & Archaeology Service, The Hive, Worcester, WR1 3PD
www.explorethepast.co.uk

Wyre Forest Centre, DY14 9XQ www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest