

Mohair Centre

Summer Holiday Play scheme

5-11yrs



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Please contact Jacky or Caroline if you have any queries

Week 1	24 th - 26 th	July	Mystery Days
Week 2	29 th July – 2 nd	August	Construction Week
Week 3	5 th August – 9 th	August	Games Week
Week 4	12 th August – 16 th	August	Bushcraft Week
Week 5	19 th August – 24 th	August	Circus Week
Week 6	27 th August – 30 th	August	Pony & Pet Week

(Please note we are closed Monday 26th August)

WE WILL BE SPENDING THE MORNING Feeding, doing routine farm tasks with the animals and doing crafts / practical activities, loosely based on the week's theme.

WE WILL BE SPENDING THE AFTERNOON AT FOREST SCHOOL

(with the exception of Bushcraft Week when we will be down at Forest School for most of the day)

We will then go down to the Forest School Village in the afternoon. We have organised 'lightly' themed weeks with lots of opportunity for the children to play and follow their own interests. Wood crafts, ropes, den-building, making fires, whittling, wild weaving, outdoor cooking plenty for all.

STAFF OVER THE SUMMER: Caroline, Lorena, Claire, Cathy, Amy, Lauren, Hannah, Jacky, Michael, Nathan, Maggi & Juliette with one or two guest visitors (Scott - Circus Week) & (Helen - Pony & Pet Week) working with us too.

We cannot accept any children without correct, up to date registration details.

Week 1 – Mystery Days

Wednesday 24th July Forest School This day will be focused on Forest School nearly all day. Remember your waterproofs, sensible outdoor shoes, separate welly boots and suncream. There will be some activities to do down at Forest School but often the children are good at finding their own activities. As always there will be plenty of fire lighting, cooking, den-building and fun! Bring along any ideas you might have – a perfect time to share!



Thursday 25th July Woodwork Lots of tools to practice on, see what you can make before you go home – we will be using conventional carpenter's wood in the morning but natural wood in the afternoon. Lots of things to make and do.

Friday 26th July Wildlife & Pond-dipping We will be bug-hunting, pond-dipping and seeing what we can catch around the farm.



Week 2 – 29th July – 2nd August – Construction Week

Pallet Mania! What can we make for outdoors?

Cereal Box Mania! What can we make out of cereal packets for inside?

Using tools, glue and paint to create all sorts. For example turn your cereal box into an exciting pet. Remember to bring along as many empty cereal boxes as you can collect.



Week 3 5th August – 9th August

Games Week

We will be playing games, sports or otherwise, making games and looking perhaps at what makes a good game. Sorry we will not be including online games. Bring along some really interesting ideas, to share with your group. Each group will share a home-made game with the others at the end of Forest School before they go home.

There will be lots to do, making props, putting some really good ideas together. Something for everybody to do, led by a member of staff and the older children. We might also try to repaint the giant jenga blocks we made 25 years ago! There will be a prize for the most inventive group, voted on by all the children attending after they have played the game.



Week 4 12th August – 16th August

Bushcraft Week



Although we will be visiting Forest School every day, during the Summer the whole week will be focused on Bushcraft, focusing on 'survival', apart from feeding the animals in the morning we will be spending all our time at Forest School, practising our Forest School Skills and enjoying a

challenge or two; fire-lighting, cooking, den-building, Forest School Crafts, tool use such as whittling, exploring the natural environment, learning to use knots and much more. Do bring along your own ideas.



Week 5 – Circus Week – Monday 19th – Friday 24th August



We will be having Scott join us for the week, the Circus guru- to learn new Circus Skills, face-painting, hair-braiding, magic tricks and balloon animals. Those who have done this several years already will be focusing on performing this year – Get the Mohair Centre Circus Act of the day!

Week 6 Pony & Pet Week 27th August – 30th August

The Pony Group will be focusing on pony care; grooming, cleaning tack and there may be an opportunity to sit on A pony & trap with Helen. Some children enjoy achieving the certificates for working with ponies (leading, grooming, simple exercises.....), some children just enjoy being with them for the day. There will be lots of pony related crafts as well.

For those who aren't interested in ponies, we will be thinking about how to look after pets. This will involve a Pet Show, learning about care, grooming, handling and routine feeding. The small animals will be spick-and-span. There will be some small animal crafts to go with the sessions. Lots of fun



Information for all

Booking – all fees must be received in advance & we take most childcare vouchers

BANK DETAILS:
MOHAIR CENTRE
Sort Code: 30-92-86
Account: 02663271
Please quote child's name as reference.

CANCELLATION POLICY

All payments must be received by 10th July, after this date we will be re-allocating the spaces to those on the Waiting List, without warning. Fees are non-refundable unless we are able to fill cancelled spaces. If we are able to we will issue a credit.

Fees - £40 for the Core Day, with £7.50 an hour for Breakfast and Teatime Sessions.

Breakfast Session: 8.00 am - 10.30 am @ £7.50 per hour

Core Session: 10.30am to 4.30pm @ £40

Teatime Session: 4.30pm - 6.00 pm @ £7.50 per hour

We are a registered Day Care facility, inspected by Ofsted. Ofsted – 0300 1231231. We have a full set of policies including a complaints procedure. Some of these policies are available in the Parent Handbook, which you will receive before the start of the Holiday Playscheme. This also contains our CANCELLATION POLICY. You will receive joining instructions before the start of the Playscheme. Please ask if you would like to see all our policies and procedures. We work on a ratio 1:8 adults to children and safety is always most important on the farm.

WHAT WILL WE NEED TO BRING?

- Please bring clothes that don't matter, and spare clothes too. The children are likely to get messy!
- Wet weather clothing and named welly boots are **mandatory**. We are surrounded by mud - which is great but please make sure children are arriving with the correct clothing! IF YOU HAVE ANY SPARE UNWANTED TROUSERS / JUMPERS / SOCKS that are no longer wanted we would be grateful to add to our SPARE CLOTHES DEPARTMENT – particularly trousers. Many thanks to those who brought some in last School Holiday.
- A spare **bag** or two to put muddy clothes in.
- **Named Sun lotion and a sun hat!** Please put sun-cream on your child / children before they arrive. We will help children to top up during the day if needed.
- Please ensure that all items are clearly named! All lost property is kept until the following school holiday but will become MOHAIR spare clothes or be sent to a Charity Shop if not claimed. We have a black sharpie to name boots, bags or items of clothing so that lost items can easily be found.
- Please provide your child with a **healthy** packed lunch & cold pack if needed, along with a named water bottle. Please remember not to include nuts. We provide a **healthy** snack and drink at break-times.
- A smile