

The Pirate Castle - Holiday Schemes

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Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have adapted our services and activities to comply with government and National Governing Body guidelines on group sizes and physical/social distancing, with robust cleaning and hygiene protocols and COVID-19 Risk Assessments in place to minimise risk to our visitors, staff and volunteers. Activities may be reviewed or cancelled at short notice in the event that national guidance changes and/or any COVID-19 issues arise. [Contact us](#) [1] if you require more information.

Have fun, get active and make a splash with us during the school holidays from spring half-term to autumn half-term, with a range of paddlesport and canal-based activities that develop physical, technical and social skills, boost self-confidence and are a great way to let off steam! Each day includes 2 x 2-hour sessions with a short lunch break (packed lunch and refreshments required).

Our Holiday Schemes also give youngsters the chance to achieve a range of formal and informal accreditations, reflecting their experiences with us. These are great for boosting motivation and confidence as skills develop, as well as laying foundations for onward progression in paddlesport and coaching:

British Canoeing Paddle Awards (Start, Discover & Explore) and Personal Performance Awards
Complete Crew Course and Boat Handling Course (14 years +); 'Junior Skipper' Course
(not available over the summer break 2020)

In-house certificates and awards

2020 Dates (all Monday to Friday)

Spring half-term: 17th - 21st February: 10:30 - 15:00 daily

Easter: 6th - 17th April: 10:30 - 15:00 daily (closed Good Friday and Easter Monday)

Summer half-term: 26th - 29th May: 10:30 - 15:00 daily (closed Monday 25th, Bank Holiday)

Summer break: 22nd July – 28th August: Adapted service

5 spaces available per group with staggered start / end times and short outdoor lunchbreak.

Group A: 10:30 - 15:00, maximum 5 x participants supervised by 1 x instructor

Group B: 10:45 - 15:15, maximum 5 x participants supervised by 1 x instructor

Pre-booking and prompt arrival/departure essential

Autumn half-term: 26th - 30th October: Capacity and times TBC

Ages 8 -18 (up to 25 for individuals with low-moderate support needs).

Price for the day is £30 per child / £5 concessionary rate (proof of eligibility required).

We also offer a preferential rate of £10 per child/per day for group bookings made via local youth service providers. A limited number of free places are available for referrals from frontline support agencies to ensure that our services are accessible by all.

Our Holiday Schemes are subsidised to keep costs low through the generosity of our funders and income raised from hire of our facilities. Numbers are limited - pre-booking essential to avoid disappointment! **Holiday Scheme places are non-refundable and non-exchangeable.**

We aim to make our Holiday Schemes as inclusive as possible and welcome youngsters with mild to moderate

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additional support needs, where safe and practical. Please contact us in advance to discuss any additional support requirements and we will do our utmost to accommodate you.

Holiday Scheme sessions are run by our team of accredited, experienced BCU/UKCC instructors, qualified staff, skippers and volunteers. All staff and volunteers are enhanced DBS-checked.

For more information or to book, call us on 020 7267 6605 or email beate@thepiratecastle.org. [2] To book in, please provide your child's full name, date of birth and the date(s) you wish to book in for. We will then check availability and issue an invoice for payment to secure the spaces.

A Parental e-Consent Form must be submitted for all attendees. [Click here](#) [3] to view or submit our e-consent form.

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Links

[1] <mailto:info@thepiratecastle.org>

[2] <mailto:beate@thepiratecastle.org>

[3] <https://form.jotform.com/PirateCastle/consent-form-individual>