

More activities for Babies, Toddlers & Pre-Schoolers near Whitchurch – these ones you pay for

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

These are bookable in advance, term time only and payable by term unless stated. Free taster sessions are often available. Contact details and class timetables are available on websites where stated. *See separate list for free activities.*

TOTS ON THE HILL

Drop-in and pay per session: £2 per child, 50p for additional sibling, first session is free. Lovely local play/song session 10-11:30am on a Wednesday morning at Goring Heath Parish Hall, tea/coffee and biscuits for carers, and healthy and varied snacks for children included. For further information please email Esther at totsonthehill@yahoo.com

BABY SENSORY www.babysensory.com

birth to 13 months. Award-winning baby development classes: venues include Turnhams Farm Hall in Tilehurst and Sonning Common Village Hall. Very popular, fun classes, often with a waiting list. The follow-on classes, Toddler Sense (for 13 months – 3 ½) and Mini Professors (a science-based program for 2-4s), are now available at Theale Village Hall and in Calcot respectively.

TINY TALK www.tinytalk.co.uk

birth to 1s. Baby signing classes - teaching babies pre-verbal communication. Venues include Crowmarsh Gifford Village Hall where social time and a drink and a snack are provided after class ends.

SWIM KIDZ www.swimkidz.co.uk and WATER BABIES www.waterbabies.co.uk

birth to 10 years. Baby, toddler and children swimming lessons. Pools include the Oratory Senior School, Woodcote, and the warmer Oratory Preparatory School pool in Goring Heath.

LITTLE KICKERS www.littlekickers.co.uk

18 months – 7 years. Popular football classes (expect waiting lists!) Local venues in Tilehurst, Upper Basildon and Caversham.

MONKEY MUSIC www.monkeymusic.co.uk

3 months – 4s. Music classes available at Basildon Village Hall and Wallingford.

MINI MOVERS

18 months – 4s. Movement to music activity in Wallingford. Contact Rhonda on 07932 038836.

BETTY BLOOM DANCE www.bettybloombdance.co.uk

2 – 15 years. Classes teaching dance styles from all over the world. Venues include Moulsoford Pavilion and Brightwell Village Hall.

TUMBLE TOTS www.tumbletots.com

6 months – school. Designed to develop children’s physical skills. Venues include Crowmarsh Pavilion and Rivermead Leisure Centre, Reading.

KENNYLANDS GYMNASTICS www.kennylandsgymnastics.com

From walking to adults. Includes termed classes and drop-in sessions. Venues in Sonning Common and Pangbourne.

RUGBY TOTS www.rugbytots.co.uk

2-7 years. Structured rugby play sessions in Reading and Henley.

LITTLE DUCKLINGS www.2wild.co.uk/pre-school

Outdoor forest school style group at Path Hill Outdoors RG8 7RE. £7 drop-in per session or £5 payable in advance per half-term block. Please contact Katie on 0118 984 2333 for details. Tea, coffee and biscuits included.

PANGBOURNE BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Drop-in and pay per session: £2 per child, 50p for additional sibling. 10-11.30am on Monday mornings at Pangbourne Village Hall. For 0-4s. Plenty of varied toys and activities for all ages and each session ends with some singing.

FIRST PLAY-TIME www.firstplaytime.co.uk/

Innovative classes offering a ‘Yes Space’ for infants and toddlers (6-24 months) to grow their skills and a ‘Parent Space’ for carers to enjoy them as they do. Thursdays 10-11.30am, The Old Stables, Whitchurch. Contact rachel@firstplaytime.co.uk

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Keep an eye on these websites for information on events in the area:

MESS AROUND www.messarounduk.com/berkswilts

6 months – 5 years. Multi-sensory messy play experiences. Venues include Pangbourne Village Hall and Sonning Common Village Hall.

THE PALMER ENSEMBLE <http://palmerensemble.co.uk/baby-and-toddler-concerts/4592563239>

Baby and toddler concert series in Goring, giving the very young the opportunity to experience live classical music in a safe and friendly way.

BACH TO BABY www.bachtobaby.com

Classical concerts for baby and you. Venues include St. Mary’s Church in Henley.