

Message from your Mayor

Dear neighbours,

It always gives me great pleasure to write the mayor's greetings for this edition of our newsletter. Finally, longer days are here and – hopefully – warmer and drier weather, so that we can all enjoy Buckingham and all it has to offer.

The summer months are a fantastic opportunity for people to come together at the numerous events that are taking place or in private. Fringe Week is always a particular highlight, with so many great events put on by different groups, all in the same week. We also have Celebrate Buckingham Day to look forward to, Band Jam on the August bank holiday Sunday, and then the dog show a little later.

During the summer holidays there will again be activities for children as well as the very popular basketball sessions. Make sure you look out for announcements and dates in the Town Council's social media announcements and on our website.

This time of the year is also when our green spaces look their best and invite us to walk, run, play or just contemplate nature in them. Our Green Spaces Team have been very busy looking after our parks, cutting grass, removing litter, and rejuvenating our wildflower patches. From this spring onwards, Buckingham Town Council's Green Spaces team will be looking after our parks and facilities managed by the town council, whereas grass cutting and hedge trimming on highway verges in Buckingham has reverted to Buckinghamshire Council.

I wish you all an enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing you at one of more of our events.

Cllr. Anja Schaefer
Mayor of Buckingham

Future Events in Buckingham

Buckingham Summer Festival	Sat 29th June - Sun 6th July	book tickets online: Buckinghamsummerfestival.org
Bastille Boules: Twinning Association	Fri 12th July at 6.30pm	Location TBC
Free Basketball Coaching	22nd and 29th July and 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th Aug (5:30 - 6.30pm) 8 - 12 yrs (6:45 - 7:45pm) 12 + yrs	8 - 12 yrs Chandos Park 12 + yrs Bourton Park
Buckingham Play Days	Thurs 25th July and 1st, 15th Aug (10:30am - 3:30pm)	0 - 11 yrs Chandos Park
Skate Park Event	Sat 17th August	Skate Park
Band Jam: Big Bash	Sun 25th Aug (1 - 10pm)	Town Centre
Merchant Navy Day Flag Raising	Tues 3rd Sept (10am)	Council Chamber
Dog Show	Sat 7th Sept (11am - 3pm)	Bourton Park

Useful Numbers

Buckingham Town Council	01280 816 426	NHS Urgent Care	111
Buckingham Cemetery	01280 816 801	Power Cut Helpline	105
Buckingham Shopmobility	07738 314 027	National Gas Helpline	0800 111 999
Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre	01280 816 426	Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
Buckingham Community Hall	01280 823 584	Floodline	03459 881 188
Buckingham Tourist Info Centre	01280 823 020	ChildLine	0800 11 11
Buckinghamshire Council	0300 131 6000	Samaritans	01908 667 777
Transport for Buckinghamshire	01296 382 416	Street Link	03005 000 914
Citizens Advice National Phone Line	08001 448 848	Fraud	03001 232 040
Domestic Violence Helpline	0808 2000 247	Stop Scams UK	159
Thames Valley Police	101		

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Summer 2024



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Busking by Gracenotes

Sat 20th July, 10am - 12:30pm, opposite Waitrose



Gracenotes, a singing group based in Buckingham and Banbury, will be performing original folk and contemporary songs at the Busking spot. Gracenotes will be collecting donations for BACAB which raises funds for Citizens Advice in Buckingham, Winslow, surrounding areas.

Family Fun Day

Sun 21st July, 1pm - 4pm, Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre



Community fun for the whole family to enjoy including live entertainment, inflatables, zorbs, traditional games and more!



Oxford Fiddle Group

Tues 23rd July, 8pm, Radcliffe Centre



The Oxford Fiddle Group perform pieces from England, Scotland, Ireland and the USA. Performances include the fiddle, Celtic harp, mandolin and concertina. Tickets £6 from Buckingham Tourist Information Centre or the Town Council Fringe webpage.



Art in the Market

Wed 24th July, 1pm - 4pm, Buckingham Town Centre

Join us at the Cattlepens in the Town Centre for an afternoon of art for all ages, create a masterpiece with free art supplies.



Summer Lecture

Wed 24th July, 6.30pm, The Vinson Centre Auditorium, University of Buckingham



Join The Buckingham Society and Thea Young, Visitor Services Coordinator at Sulgrave Manor for a special lecture "Sulgrave Manor, the Washington family, our American connections and the Manor's unique status". The talk will take place in The Vinson Centre Auditorium at the University of Buckingham.



Buckingham Play Days

Thurs 25th July, 10:30am - 3:30pm, Chandos Park



Have a blast on inflatables, play giant games, and try out crafts with the return of our popular play sessions in Chandos Park, for 0 - 12 yrs.



Drag Night with Sandy Flaps

Thurs 25th July, 7pm, Granary - The Grand Junction



Sandy Flaps, Milton Keynes established Drag Queen and Pride Festival's Drag Ambassador, is coming to Buckingham! Get ready for side splitting comedy, chaos, and amazing musical numbers. Tickets £15 from: The Grand Junction What's On webpage.

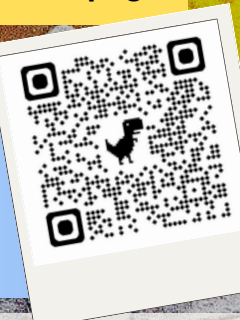


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Visit the Town Council website and social media to buy tickets and for the latest updates on Fringe Week events: www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk/fringe-week-2024

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Buckingham Summer Club

Fri 26th July, 10am - 12pm, Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre



A session for SEND children between 3-12yrs. Lots of sensory, calm, interactive activities to enjoy. Booking is essential. If you have any questions regarding your child's eligibility, contact Sharon Crossman via 07967 667 181.



Disco Bingo

Fri 26th July, 7:15pm, The Kings Head



DJ led Bingo using music instead of numbers. Bingo cards are £2 and can be purchased upon arrival from 7:15pm, with the event starting at 8pm. There will be three games on the night - cash prizes to be won. Food served from 5pm - 9pm. **Over 18's only.**

Comedy Night

Sat 27th July, doors 7.30pm, Tanlaw Mill



Join us for a roaring Comedy Night co-hosted with the University of Buckingham Student Union, at the Old Tanlaw Mill. Tickets £15 from: Buckingham Tourist Information Centre or the Town Council Fringe webpage.



Rhythm and Song Workshop with Concert

Sun 28th July, 3:30pm - 5pm, Embleton Way Scout Hut & Community Centre



Find the joy in music and rhythm with Buckingham's Swan Singers. Following a fun workshop, participants will be invited to perform a short performance with Buckingham Swan Singers. The workshop and concert costs £8 and £5 for visitors who wish to watch the concert. Any enquiries, please contact Lucy Bignall via lucy_bignall@outlook.com.

PLUS VISIT OUR AMAZING COMMUNITY MADE "TOTALLY ME: TOTALLY BUCKINGHAM" ART INSTALLATION IN THE TOWN CENTRE!