



Family Fun Days are back! Every Friday across Brentwood!

Family Fun Days

Say goodbye to cries of "I'm bored" on Fridays during the school summer holidays by bringing the children to our Family Fun Days

Brentwood Borough Council are pleased to be able to put on these events to help keep children active and entertained and just as important, affordable for parents and grandparents with lots of activities free and a £2.50 wristband for bouncy castles and rides. The ever popular face painting costs just £3.50 a child. Parents who do not wish to purchase wristbands are still able to enjoy many free activities.

The full list of Family Fun Days, all taking place **11am-3pm**, are in the table below:

Activities may vary each week, but will also include some of the following: Punch & Judy; bubbles workshop; dodgeball; archery; Trailnet cycling tasters; blood pressure checks with Basildon and Thurrock Hospital; colouring therapy sessions with Brentwood Community Tree; family yoga sessions with Step into Yoga; baby disco and balloons with Hartbeeps; and princess meet and greet and stories with Happily Ever Laughter; crafts with Family Mosaic; toys and fun with Barnardos Childrens' Centres; nail and hair colours with Holiday Inn Brentwood; and meet the Frankie the Lion mascot with St Francis Hospice. There will also be pilates, rugby, dressing up, sensory toys and children will be able to make masks.

Brentwood Borough Council's Chair of the Community, Health and Leisure Committee, Councillor Keith Parker, said: "Children may love the long school summer holidays and look forward to going to their favourite places and trying

out new activities but they can be an expensive time for parents.

"The aim of our Family Fun Days is to take that pressure off parents for one day a week by making them affordable and organising lots of things to do that are either an activity, craft or good old fashioned fun – like Punch and Judy!

"We are working with a range of community and partner organisations to bring some fantastic outdoor activities and entertainment for families, whilst raising awareness of local services and campaigns.

We've tried to keep the fun days affordable as possible and many of the activities free, but this year there will be a small charge for the bouncy castles, rides and face painting."

Please note that parking is strictly limited at all the venues so please use public transport or walk where possible.

The events have been sponsored by the Baytree Centre and SaferBrentwood.

Date	Location
Friday 12 August	King George's Playing Fields
Friday 19 August	Seymour Field, Ingatstone
Friday 26 August	Warley Playing Fields

Upcoming events

- Firebreak
- Family Fun Days
- CSP Engagement

Our Partnership Promise

To work together in partnership with the community to ensure that Brentwood remains a safer place for all, by reducing:

- Crime
- Reoffending
- Risk of harm
- Anti-Social Behaviour

Priorities 2015/16

- Protecting People from Harm
- Anti-social Behaviour
- Burglary
- Community Engagement



Peter Salmon

The CSP would once again like to congratulate Peter Salmon, Brentwood Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator.

Unfortunately, although Peter was nominated for the 'Who Will Care?' Awards. The CSP's application was unsuccessful and Peter didn't receive the top prize for generously giving his time to others and strengthening his community.

Peter was however sent a certificate in recognition of voluntary contribution supporting people and communities.

Another of many of the achievements Peter has received since doing such an excellent job as Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator.

A huge congratulations from the CSP and partners.

Crimestoppers Launch Vet Watch

Brentwood vets are being asked to watch pets for signs of domestic abuse.

A new campaign, , was launched by independent charity Crimestoppers' Essex committee, at RSPCA Danaher Animal Home near Wethersfield.

The charity said research shows that dogs, cats or other pets owned by victims of domestic abuse can also be abused by the perpetrator - and it is vets, veterinary nurses and receptionists who are on the front line when it comes to dealing with or potentially identifying such cases.

Crimestoppers' Essex committee's development leader, Colin Dobinson, said: "If an animal has suffered abuse or non-accidental injury, it could mean that the family is at risk of violence or domestic abuse.

"Cases of animal or human abuse

may not be common but it is vital that every opportunity is taken to help the victim – human or animal.

"Veterinary teams may have an important role to play in what could develop into a complex investigation involving different organisations."

The campaign - which is being run in association with the Links Group, a multi-agency group that promotes safety among children, animals and adults - has been funded by the Percy Hoskins Award.

Information packs have been sent to vets across the county by the Animal Welfare Foundation, and the British Veterinary Association, while the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons have also lent their support.



Firebreak & Life Choices

The CSP were successful in their bid to Essex County Fire and Rescue service and have now received £5000 to put towards a Firebreak course and the Life Choices Project.

The Firebreak course has been arranged for the week commencing 3rd October and schools have been contacted for referrals.

The course will see 12 students from Brentwood schools participating in the week long course learning how to use fire equipment, team exercises, consequences, first aid and more



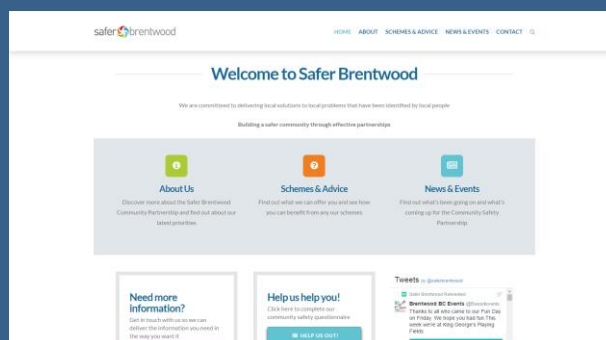
Safer Brentwood Website

Safer Brentwood is launching their newly designed website on September 3rd.

The new easy to use website has been designed specifically so that users are able to view the site not only from desktops and laptops but so they are compatible with handheld devices such as mobile phones and tablets.

Daniel Cannon, Community Safety Officer who is leading on the project said that "The site is more secure than the previous one and has a lot more to offer from behind the scenes.

"I will be able to update and change the content a lot easier and will also be able to incorporate with our twitter feed.



Crime Prevention Advice

Gardens, Gates & Fences

- Identify your private property with fences, gates, walls or planting.
- A thorny hedge along the boundary of your property can put thieves off.
- **BUT** make sure that passers-by can still see the front of your home so that a burglar can't work without being seen.
- Prevent easy access to the back and sides of your home by locked gates, 2 metre minimum fencing or walls. Trellis topping also makes climbing difficult.
- Burglars don't like gravel; it's noisy to walk on.
- Security lighting should make offenders feel vulnerable and observed. Illuminate high risk areas and allow occupiers to see people approaching.
- Security lighting should not cause light pollution, annoy neighbours or blind occupiers from identifying callers.
- Remove and secure items that may be used to break in or climb up.
- Ladders and garden tools should be locked away.

Garages & Sheds

- Garages and sheds are often full of expensive tools to steal or use to break into the house.
- Do not leave a garage or garden shed unlocked, especially if it has a connecting door to the house.
- Fit strong padlocks and hardware to shed and garage doors
- Make sure that the doors are solid enough not to be kicked in.
- Fit locks or bars to windows.
- Lock ladders inside your garage or shed.
- Consider lockable steel boxes or anchor posts fitted to the floor to secure tools and equipment.
- Gardens tools and machinery should be permanently marked with your postcode.

Girls Inspire – Straight Talking

A new project called Girls Inspire is planned to launch mid September. After a successful bid for funding, Girls Inspire is an exciting new project for young girls 11-14 years old across Essex.

The Girls Inspire – Straight Talking project will be run in five secondary schools over 6 weeks. The course will look to address early offending and negative choices. Topics will cover raising young girls' self esteem, valuing yourself and making positive choices along with discussion around child sexual exploitation, the criminal justice system and substance misuse.

For more details or to discuss how your school maybe involved, please call Suzanne Page at Essex CAPI on 07807194589.

Essex CAPI service - **Family support:** Supporting parents, carers and families in the community and in diverse cultural circumstances. Guidance and advice aimed at supporting vulnerable children and their families



Do you know somebody who is carrying out criminal activity, but fear the consequences of being identified as the person who reported them? Tell Crimestoppers WHAT you know about any crime or criminal - not WHO you are and you may be eligible for a reward (up to £1,000 and paid anonymously). Crimestoppers never ask for your name or any personal details, your call cannot be traced and you won't need to provide a statement or go to Court. Just phone **0800 555 111 (or use our secure website)**. Your call is completely anonymous - only you will know that you called or contacted us.

www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Quote of the Month

“Keep your face
always toward the
sunshine - and shadows
will fall behind you”

Walt Whitman

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What's up next?

Family Fun Days take place every Friday throughout the summer holidays. Please see above for more information.

Firebreak funding was granted and a course has been organised for the week commencing 3rd October. Up to 12 students will be eligible for the course from local schools.

Senior Safety Road Shows will be taking place in 2016. The CSP will be visiting various residential homes, coffee mornings and other elderly groups to continue to help the Brentwood residents feel safer and more informed. Please contact the CSP if you would like a road show in your area.

CSP engagement day - Saturday 3rd September will see the launch of the new Safer Brentwood website. The CSP will be in Brentwood High Street from 9am-1pm.

Please don't forget to visit www.saferbrentwood.com for more information.

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Newsletter

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