

Half term fun « Inside Stories



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Are you sitting comfortably? It's Story Week at Woking's Lightbox during half term.

And, this year, in association with The Big Draw and the Quentin Blake: Inside Stories exhibition, families can find a week of creative workshops and fun-filled events.

Story Week kicks off with illustration workshops on Tuesday, 27th October, where children can learn the art of illustrating their own story with guidance from professional illustrator, Jessica Jane Charleston. Other bookable events include the Roald Dahl Character Costumes workshop on Thursday 29th, when you can make giant ears, masks, hats or noses and turn yourself into your favourite Dahl character. On Wednesday 28th (11am) there will be a screening of *Matilda* – prices range from £4 to £6.50 and these bookable events are sure to fill up fast by visiting www.thelightbox.org.uk

Have an imaginative youngster? There are plenty of free workshops on offer. Join The Big Draw by drawing a character, making a puppet or writing the next part of the adventure to add to The Lightbox's Never Ending Story. On Thursday 29th, meet the Big Friendly Giant for a fun, interactive storytelling session (spaces on a first-come, first-served basis at reception from 10.30am). Throughout half term The Lightbox and WWF-UK are linking up to take part in The Big Draw and they need budding artist explorers to help. Follow the clues

between The Lightbox and The Living Planet Centre to complete a fun quiz. Through drawing, children can create their own amazing story and uncover what happens when a polar bear meets a Big Friendly Giant! This adventure is free to join – just drop in anytime from 10.30am – 5pm. Rounding up the half term events is The Lightbox's free Spooky Family Fun Afternoon on 30th October, when you can make big bats and giant ghosts and have your face transformed into a scary skeleton or wicked witch. Plenty of trick-free treats are in store throughout the afternoon!

Don't forget, The Lightbox's free museum 'Woking's Story' is great for children as it has lots of interactive features which bring to life the history of Woking. After exploring the museum and exhibitions, complete your visit with a much deserved cup of coffee and slice of cake at the café, children can also enjoy a range of snacks and light meals.

The Lightbox is open Tuesday to Saturday, 10.30am–5pm and Sunday 11am – 5pm. For more information please visit www.thelightbox.org.uk or call **01483 737800**. Free entry, entrance to Main and Upper Gallery exhibitions only with a £5 annual pass, under-18s free.