

Hello everyone

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026

## **MARCH AND APRIL EVENTS 2026**

The next school holidays are only a matter of weeks away. We have some new events that I hope will interest you all! If you want any more information about the suitability of a particular activity for your child, please contact me.

Berkshire Vision works with other organisations to secure activities that are either free or offered to us at a much reduced cost. The partnerships are included in the list of events. Some of these are a series of events, please bear this in mind when booking on. We hope that as many as possible will be able to attend the whole series but understand that appointments, holidays and illnesses all get in the way!

## **TRANSPORT**

Please remember to book transport as early as possible and **at least 5 working days** before the event as we cannot guarantee this for any late bookings and some events do not have transport available. For some events where possible, transport from the nearest train station to the event can be arranged with a £2 contribution each way. The cost of transport is £10 per family.

## **PAYMENT:**

Some events we have funding for, but some venues do charge us to use their facilities. A contribution is being requested where possible **but if the cost is prohibitive for your family**, please let me know. To make a payment, please contact the office to pay over the phone with a card or pay by card or cash at the event. Please note that the website is for donations only but do give your child's name/Children's work as a reference if you do so.

To book on any of the events, please email: [children@berkshirevision.org.uk](mailto:children@berkshirevision.org.uk) or telephone the office. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards,

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DATE	EVENT
<p><b>Mondays: 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 20<sup>th</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> May, 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>Ages 5+ FREE</b></p>	<p><b>Blind Football: Marish School sports hall, Swabey Road, Langley, Slough SL3 8NZ</b> We are working with Slough FC, Berks and Bucks FA and VICTA, a national charity supporting Visually impaired children and young people, to run some Blind football sessions for children and young people. The sessions will run from 7-8 pm fortnightly term time only on Monday evenings and will be funded by the FA.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March – watch performance</b> <b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March – 2 day workshop</b> <b>Ages 11+ FREE</b></p>	<p><b>Swallows and Amazons, The Watermill theatre, Newbury.</b> They have received funding to run workshops for visually impaired young people to encourage them to engage with theatre. This will involve attending the performance of Swallows and Amazons (with the audio described performance on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March) and followed by a 2 day workshop on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> March in the Easter school holidays. You don't have to want to be an actor to take part! The workshops are aimed to build confidence. Transport is available.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March: 2.30 – 5.30pm</b> <b>Ages – 7+ FREE</b></p>	<p><b>Goalball taster session.</b> We will join MyVision Oxfordshire at their goalball session held at Kidlington. We will have a go at goalball skills before having a match. Transport is available.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April: 10.30 – 4pm</b> <b>Ages 6+ (Primary school age) FREE</b></p>	<p><b>Try a train session</b> The aim is to give families confidence to travel by public transport and for younger children to experience exploring Reading Station and a train ride. All children must be accompanied by a parent or carer. Siblings are welcome to attend as well. Transport to Reading available.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April</b> <b>£5 per family</b> <b>Morning 10.15-1.30 or afternoon 12.30-3.30pm</b> <b>All ages</b></p>	<p><b>Eco skills – make a bird box.</b> This is a new event. Come to the Eco skills workshop and make a bird box for your garden. We will make one box per family and will be taught stage by stage how to do this with all the materials provided. There will be a lunch break from 12.30 to 1.30 with the afternoon group. Eco skills has a lovely garden with plenty of space to enjoy being outdoors Transport is available to one of the sessions only.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>9.30am-4pm.</b> <b>(Approx)</b> <b>FREE</b> <b>Ages: 11+.</b></p>	<p><b>Travel with Confidence.</b> We have the opportunity to increase our confidence to travel by train to different places . We planned our journeys for this event and the next one in July during the workshop in February half term. We will get to buy our tickets, so we have the full travel experience! Funding is provided. This event will be particularly helpful for those teens thinking about their next steps – to college or university. Each member will need an adult with them,</p>



	<p>but if a parent can't attend, please let me know so that I can ask for a volunteer to come with us.</p> <p>It is helpful if you have already attended a Try a Train event. You will need to get to Reading station if possible as limited minibus transport will be available.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 11-2.30pm FREE</b></p>	<p><b>Tandem cycling with Newbury Velo.</b> Come and have a go at cycling on tandem bikes with trained pilots. Cycling will be around an athletics' racing track and not on the roads. Even if you do not feel confident cycling, come and try! Parents can walk around alongside to encourage any child who is unsure of cycling and even have a go at cycling too! <b>Note:</b> The team also has a wheelchair adapted tandem. Transport is available.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April: 2.30 – 5.30 pm. FREE All ages and mobility.</b></p>	<p><b>Synergy Dance Workshop:</b> This is the third inclusive dance and yoga enrichment sessions designed for children and young people with vision impairment and their siblings. You don't have to have been to the two previous workshops, but if you did, this one will be different and will focus on different movement, dance styles and fun music related activities. Transport is available.</p>