

### Newsletter

#### 18 January 2024

## Can your organisation provide fun activities for children and young people this Easter?

Our Here for Herefordshire Holidays programme is back this spring, and we're looking for new providers who can provide activities for school aged children and young people (from reception to year 11) during the Easter holidays.

Funded by the Department for Education, the programme provides free holiday provision including food and enriching activities to children and young people in receipt of benefit related free school meals.

If you're part of or know about an organisation, holiday club, or community provider that could deliver a fantastic activity for children and young people in the Easter holidays, please get in touch! All places will be funded so it's a fantastic opportunity to do something good for the children of Herefordshire and get paid.

Find out all about the programme, and apply on the <u>Herefordshire Council</u> <u>website</u>, or if you want more information about becoming a provider, please email <u>HAF@herefordshire.gov.uk</u>

The deadline for applications is **midnight on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January**.



### Promote your event for free on the Talk Community Directory

Do you run a regular local event that you would like to promote on the Talk Community Directory? Or perhaps you're planning a one-off community event that you would like to shout about. Whether you run a repair café, yoga class, or perhaps a support group, we want to hear from you and share the news with the Herefordshire community!

The Talk Community Directory what's on calendar is a great platform to spread the word about your event free of charge. Simply head over to the What's on page and click the green 'Add an Event' button and complete the online form. If you need an extra helping hand getting your event online, you can email us on talkcommunitydirectory@herefordshire.gov.uk

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### Discover funding opportunities from Herefordshire and beyond

Talk Community's **Grant Finder tool** is a one stop shop for funding information, providing continuously updated funding opportunities. It enables you to browse the different grants which are available, whether you are a charity, social

enterprise, community group or parish council. Offering access to thousands of funds available on a European, national and regional basis.

If you have a specific project in mind, you can search for those funding opportunities which may be most relevant to you and once you are signed up, you can receive updates of new funding opportunities.

One of the current funding opportunities is **the High Sheriff Fund**, which is offering grants of up to £1,000 to support projects working to improve the life chances of people living right across Herefordshire. You can read more about the fund and find out how to apply on the <u>Herefordshire Community Foundation</u> website.



### 'Little Moments Together' Campaign Launches

The Department for Education, in partnership with the Department for Health and Social Care, has launched the Start for Life 'Little Moments Together' campaign.

Early childhood is a crucial time for brain development, when a young, developing brain changes shape and size in response to everything it encounters. The Little Moments Together campaign encourages parents to explore the <u>Start for Life website</u>, where they will find simple ideas, tips and activities that they can weave into everyday life with their child.

A new film has been released to accompany the campaign, explaining the crucial role that parents play through all the little moments they spend together with their child and how by doing so, you can help get them off to the right start at school. You can watch the film here.



### Council offers interpreter training

Do you know of anyone who might be interested in working as an interpreter for the Herefordshire Language Network?

The Herefordshire Language Network currently provides interpreters and translators for around 500 assignments every month for public services, schools and voluntary organisations in Herefordshire, and last year provided services in more than 40 different languages.

"Foundation Training for Interpreters" will be delivered in a Hereford city venue over two consecutive Saturdays: 13 and 20 April (9am-5pm). The course is an

unaccredited, 14-hour introduction to interpreting techniques, and is an excellent starting point for anyone who has ever considered interpreting. Once you've completed the training, it could lead to paid work in the county. The course costs £30, and all languages are welcome, no matter how rare – or how common – you think it might be.

For further information and on-line application, visit <u>Translation and interpreting</u> <u>services – Herefordshire Council</u>, or call 01432 260216.

The deadline for applications is 28 March 2024.



### What's new on the Talk Community Directory?

There are plenty of opportunities to get yourself out of the cold this week, and they're all ready to be discovered on our What's on page.

See what you can find in your local community, or take a look at some of our latest additions:

BookTrust Storytime at Leominster Library

BookTrust Storytime at Ross-on-Wye Library

BookTrust Storytime at Hereford Temporary Library

BookTrust Storytime at Ledbury Library

Herefordshire Young and Young Adult Carers CIC

<u>Drama4Change</u> A free community youth theatre group for 10 to 18 year olds

<u>Little Slippers</u> A free drama group for 7-10 year olds

Centre Stage A free to attend drama group for neurodivergent 16-25 year olds

Our socials are a great way to keep in touch with what's on too, whether you're

- a Facebook fan
- tuned in to Twitter
- or instantly on **Instagram**.

Herefordshire Cares Do you want to make a difference to people's lives every day? Working in social care is a rewarding career – to find out more about a career in adult social care, visit the Herefordshire Cares website.



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