

Family events in December 2011

**Solihull Family
Information Service**

* All events with an asterisk require booking

As well as the events below, don't forget to check out the activities at your local children's centre for children under 5 or under 8 for children with additional needs and/or disabilities

www.solihull.gov.uk/childrenscentres

North Solihull and surrounding area				
Solihull Parks - To book call 0121 742 0226				
4	Christmas Treasure Trail - Meriden Park	Free	1pm-3pm	All ages
Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens, Chester Road, Castle Bromwich, B36 9BT Call: 0121 749 4100				
4	Santa's Grotto and Christmas Activities	£2.50 adults and children	12pm - 4pm	All ages
Castle Bromwich Youth Centre, Hurst Lane North, Castle Bromwich, B36 0HD Call: 0121 747 5744				
15	Christmas Party - refreshments provided	£1	7pm - 9pm	11-19 years
Chelmsley Wood Shopping Centre, 33 Maple Walk, Chelmsley Wood, B37 5TS Call: 0121 770 1775				
3, 19	The Big Christmas Family Show - Christmas Songs, Stories and Carols	Free	12pm - 4pm	All ages
17	Novelty cars and characters performing a range of activities	Free	12pm - 4pm	All ages
22	100% Nonsense - Musical Ruth and her amazing magical piano; music, laughter, songs and fun for all	Free	Call for details	All ages
24	Jazz band playing modern and traditional Christmas songs and music	Free	Call for details	All ages
Crabtree Hall, Crabtree Drive, Fordbridge, B37 5BU Call: 0121 603 7893				
3	Christmas Fayre - a Santa's Grotto and a range of stalls and activities	Free entrance with small charge for some activities	2pm - 4pm	All ages
Bishop Wilson School, Pike Drive, Chelmsley Wood, B37 7US Call: 0121 788 0319 to book a place				
8 & 15	*Family Christmas craft / decoration course	Free	3:15pm - 5:15pm	5-11 years with parents
Coleshill Heath School, Marlene Croft, Chelmsley Wood, B37 7JT Call: 0121 788 0319 to book a place				
9	*Family Christmas craft / decoration course	Free	3:15pm - 5:15pm	5-11 years with parents
Bosworth Wood Neighbourhood Nursery, Auckland Drive, Smiths Wood, B36 0DD Call 0121 788 0319 to book a place				
10	*Family Christmas craft / decoration course	Free	12:30pm - 2:30pm	Adults only
Kingsbury Water Park - Bodymoor Heath Lane, Sutton Coldfield, B76 9JB Call: 01827 872 8660				
3, 4, 10, 11	*Santa Special - Special train ride to Santa's Grotto	£7.50 per person Please book before 15th November 2011	10:30am - 5pm	All ages
Coleshill Library - Parkfield Rd, Coleshill, B46 3LD Call: 01675 463 307				
6, 20	Rhyme Time	Free	11am - 11:45am	0-2 years

South Solihull

Solihull Parks - To book call Solihull Conservation Volunteers on 0121 459 1697

11	Christmas and carols in the Park - Brueton Park	£3 per child including a gift	12pm - 3pm	All ages
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Solihull Parks - To book call Parkridge Centre on 0121 704 0768

4	*Santa Jog - through Malvern and Brueton Parks for the British Heart Foundation call 0800 169 3672 or visit www.bhf.org.uk to register	£12 adults £5 for under 16s	11am - 1pm	All ages
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19, 20, 21, 22	Christmas Activities - Brueton Park	Free	from 10:30am	4-9 years plus a special Tots event for younger children
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Coronation Youth and Community Centre, Green Lane, Shirley, Solihull, B90 1AE Call: 0121 704 6752

13th	*Positive about young people - multi-generational event	Free	6pm - 8pm	All ages
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Manor Walk, Solihull

1st - 24th	Santa's Grotto	Free to children under 10	Monday-Friday 10:30am - 7pm Sat 10am - 7pm Sun 11pm - 5pm Christmas Eve 10am - 4pm	All ages
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Hampton Heath and Fitness Club, Station Court, Old Station Road, Hampton in Arden, B92 0HA Call: 07855 494286

5	Christmas tree walk and fundraiser	Free	8:30am - 1pm	All ages
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Mell Square, Solihull

17th - 24th	Christmas Crafty Fun - a range of Christmas workshops including craft activities and face painting	Free	11:30am - 3pm	All ages
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1st - 23rd	Solihull Christmas Fayre - stalls offering unique gifts	Free	Sunday to Wednesday 10am-7pm Thursday to Saturday 10am-8pm	All ages
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George Fentham Endowed School, Fentham Road, Hampton in Arden, B92 0AY

2	George Fentham Christmas Fayre	£1 adults	3:45pm - 6pm	All ages
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Solihull Arts Complex, Homer Road, Solihull B91 3RG Call: 0121 704 6962

9th - 24th	*Family Pantomime - Robin Hood	£13.50 - £17.00	Morning, matinee and evening performances	All ages
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16	*Jazz Matters and Soul Matters Christmas party gig	£6	7:30pm	All ages
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Land Rover Social Club, Billsmore Green, Solihull, B92 9LN Call: 0121 704 6962

2	*Solihull Music Service Concert 3 featuring B92s, Isax, Overcrowded and Junior Brass	£5.25	Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start	All ages
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Shirley Methodist Church, 257 Stratford Road, Shirley, Solihull, B90 3AL Call: 0121 704 6962

5	*Solihull Music Service Concert 4 featuring SYWO, Wind Starters, Guitarristas and Fingers and Frets	£5.25	Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start	All ages
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6	*Solihull Music Service Concert 4 featuring SYBB, Senior Brass, Junior Winds and Concert Winds	£5.25	Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start	All ages
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17	*Christmas Concert - The Fellowship Singers of Shirley and Solihull Youth Brass Band	£7 adults £3 children	Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start	All ages
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Solihull Moors, Damson Parkway, Solihull, B91 2PP Call: 0121 704 6962				
15	*Rock and pop nights featuring bands from secondary schools across the borough	£6.00	7:30pm	All ages
Dovehouse Theatre, Kineton Green Road, Solihull, B92 7ER Call: 0121 706 7139				
13	*Rock and pop nights featuring bands from secondary schools across the borough	£5	7:30pm	All ages
Other areas				
Birmingham Town Hall, Birmingham, B3 3DQ Call: 0121 780 3333				
12	*Christmas Choral Concert	£7-£11	7pm	All ages
Hatton Farm Village - Dark Lane, Hatton, Warwickshire, CV35 8XA Call: 01926 843411				
3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24	Santa's Grotto and Farm Village Festive Fun	Adult £11.95 Children £13.95 Under 2's Free	10am - 5:30pm	All ages
Cadbury World, Linden Road, Bourneville, B30 1JR Call: 0844 880 7667				
3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18	Christmas Celebration Weekend - come and meet Santa	Adult £14.30, Child 4-15 £10.40 Under 4 Free	9:30am - 4:30pm	All ages
Hoo Farm Animal Kingdom, Preston on the Weald Moors, Telford, Shropshire, TF6 6DJ Call: 01952 677917				
1-24	*Christmas at Hoo Farm	£4.50 (Under 2's free, Santa's Grotto costs £4.50)	10am - 5pm (3pm on 24th December)	All ages
Ash End House Children's Farm, Middleton Lane, Nr. Tamworth, B78 2BL Call: 0121 329 3240				
1-24	Christmas on the Farm - Nativity Story, meet Father Christmas	Adults £5.50 Children £6.50 (Santa's Grotto £2)	10am - 4pm	All ages
Dudley Zoo, Castle Hill, Dudley, DY1 4QF Call: 0844 474 2272				
5-24	Santa's Grotto	Adult £5.50 Child £8.90	10am - 3pm	All ages
Melbicks Garden Centre, Chester Road, Coleshill, Warwickshire B46 3HX Tel: 0121 782 2683				
17 - 23	*Breakfast with Santa	£6.99 per child	9am - 10am Monday to Saturday 9:30am - 10:30am Sunday	3+
1 - 24	Santa's Grotto	£6 per child	Wednesday - Friday 12pm-5pm, Saturday 10am-5pm Sunday 10:30am-4pm (19th - 23rd 11am-5pm, 24th 11am-2:30pm)	All ages
Ackers Adventure, Golden Hillock Road, Sparkbrook, Birmingham, B11 2PY Call: 0121 772 5111				
10	Ackers Christmas Party	Contact for costs	4pm - 7pm	4+
19th - 23rd	*Christmas Whizz Kids - school holiday club offering a range of activities for 1.5hrs with a fully qualified instructor	£8 per session	Various sessions available	8-16 years
27th - 31st	2 for 1 ski or snowboard lessons	Contact for costs, cheapest goes free	Various sessions available	8+

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