

SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2026

DOWNSEND**PLUS+**



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WELCOME TO DOWNSEND**PLUS**.

We have been running Downsend Plus for over 20 years, and we never fail to enjoy every single bit of it.

We plan our days and courses to appeal to a wide range of pupils, and we aim to offer fun experiences to make sure everyone has the best with us during the school holidays!

The D+ Team

HOW DOES IT WORK?

What will your child do:

A DownsendPlus day includes non-stop activities including:

- Games in the sports hall, on the astroturf and playing fields
- Swimming in the 25m pool
- Cooking in the Food Tech suite
- Arts and Crafts
- Board games, Karaoke, and Wii challenges
- Table tennis and go-karts

Or, we have the option for DownsendPlus courses such as Go-Ape, Horse Riding, Golf and many more. These courses are individually priced and can be joined together with a DownsendPlus half day if required.

Timings and costs:

- Early: 8am-9am: £7.50
- Day: 9am-4pm: £63 (includes lunch) or £53 if booked 10 working days in advance
- Late: 4pm-5.30pm: £13 (includes tea)

Or:

- Morning only: 9am-1pm: £41 (includes lunch) or £31 if booked 10 working days in advance
- Morning course AND regular DownsendPlus afternoon: Cost of your chosen course + £32 (includes lunch) or £22 if booked 10 working days in advance
- Regular DownsendPlus morning AND afternoon course: £32 + cost of your chosen course (includes lunch) or £22 if booked 10 working days in advance
- Morning course only: 9am-1pm: cost of course only (includes lunch)
- Afternoon course only: 12pm-4pm: cost of course only (includes lunch)

Please note the £10 late booking fee for all regular Downsend Plus days, mornings only, and half days with a course.

How to book:

Go to this [Microsoft Form](#) to complete your booking.



WEDNESDAY SPECIAL DAYS

We have three themes this summer which means we will be decorating, turning our space into something magical with themed activities, surprises and more.

Come dressed as a character (staff will do too!), wear wild colours, or invent your own wacky look - these days are all about the excitement and creativity of the day.

- Pirate Day: Wednesday 29th July
- Harry Potter Day: Wednesday 12th August
- End of Summer Party: Wednesday 26th August

DOWNSENDPLUS SUMMER COURSES

MAKE YOUR OWN HERB GARDEN

- All Ages
- Thursday 9 July AM
- £42

Join us for a fun morning planting your very own herb garden for the summer.

CRAZY GOLF (off site course)

- Age 6+
- Thursday 9 July AM
- Friday 17 July AM
- Thursday 30 July AM
- Thursday 20 August AM
- £45

Jungle Island takes crazy golf to a whole new level. Embark on a fun-filled adventure with your friends. Jump the roaring rapids, visit the famous crash site, navigate the caves and waterfalls but best to avoid the angry gorilla!

CYCLING FIELD FUN

- All Ages
- Thursday 9 July PM
- Friday 17 July PM
- Friday 31 July PM
- Monday 24 August PM
- Friday 14 August PM
- £38

Bring your own bike and helmet and join us for an action packed session! Children will ride through obstacle courses, learn new cycling skills and practice traffic light games in a safe, supervised space

ROCK PHOTO HOLDERS

- All Ages
- Thursday 9 July PM
- £38

Turn your personalised painted rocks into a special keep sake that you can display at home or give as gifts to the ones you love!

SAUSAGE ROLLS

- All Ages
- Friday 10 July AM
- Friday 31 July AM
- £44

One of Downsend plus' most popular cooking courses. Fresh crispy homemade sausage rolls for the whole family to enjoy

BADMINTON

- Age 8+
- Friday 10 July AM
- Monday 13 July AM
- Tuesday 4 August PM
- £38

Learn the basics of Badminton or improve your existing skills with fun drills, teamwork, games and friendly matches. Stay active and have a blast on the court!

MINI RINGO'S & SLEDGING (off site course)

- Age 6+
- Friday 10 July PM
- Wednesday 19 August PM
- £58

Excitement of the downhill variety at Sandown. Sliding down hill in mini inflatable doughnuts and sledges. **Please note this course requires a signed waiver which will be sent to you on booking.**

FRIDAY FUN HAIR

- All Ages
- Friday 10 July PM
- Friday 24 July PM
- Friday 7 August PM
- Friday 21 August PM
- £38

Style braids, twists and festive hairstyles with ribbons and accessories.

CHOCOLATE TRAY BAKE

- All Ages
- Monday 13 July AM
- £44

A yummy treat for you and all the family.

TREASURE BOXES

- All Ages
- Monday 13 July PM
- £38

A chance to design and create your very own treasure boxes to keep all of your prized possessions in.

HORSE RIDING (off site course)

- Age 6+
- Monday 13 July PM
- Thursday 23 July PM
- Monday 27 July PM
- Thursday 6 August PM
- Monday 10 August PM
- Thursday 13 August PM
- Thursday 20 August PM
- £63

The children will rotate around different jobs at the stable, including mucking out, feeding the horses, grooming and of course riding. Riding helmets and riding boots will be provided but please could you provide shoe size, height and weight of your child via email. Please note: Long trousers/leggings must be worn for this course.

BOCKETTS FARM (all day off site course)

- All Ages
- Tuesday 14 July all day
- £74

A fun filled day out at Bocketts Farm. Handle and feed some of the animals, wave your flag to cheer on your pig during the ever popular pig racing and so much more! Packed lunch, snacks and drinks provided.

TIE DYE PILLOW CASES

- All Ages
- Wednesday 15 July AM
- £42

Channel your inner 60's and create your own hippie pillowcase to add some colour to your bedroom. Pillow case provided.

CHESS CHALLENGE

- Age 8+
- Wednesday 15 July AM
- Thursday 23 July AM
- £38

Come and enjoy a session playing the worlds most famous strategy game. All abilities are welcome as we look to develop children's knowledge of the game. So, whether this is your first experience of chess or you have been playing for a few years, join us for a great afternoon.

FOOTBALL SKILLS

- Ages 5-7
- Wednesday 15 July PM
- Tuesday 11 August PM
- £38

This Football skills course is designed to be a fun way for children to improve on their existing skills in passing, dribbling, shooting and match practice.

DESIGN YOUR TEDDIES DREAM WARDROBE

- Age 7+
- Wednesday 15/16 July PM
- £72

Bring your teddy and create its dream wardrobe! Create and decorate stylish outfits and accessories

SUMMER PLATE POTTERY PAINTING

- All Ages
- Thursday 16 July AM
- £38

Painty Pots will be back again to help make your perfect summer plate, it will be taken off for glazing and returned the following week.

LEGO CHALLENGE CLUB

- Age 7+
- Thursday 16 July AM
- Monday 17 August AM
- £38

A must for all Lego fans, an interactive course, using imagination, creativity and teamwork.

PIZZA NIGHT

- All Ages
- Friday 17 July AM
- Friday 7 August AM
- Monday 24 August AM
- £44

No need to get a takeaway tonight, make your own large pizza for the family with your choice of toppings.

FRIDAY FUN NAILS

- All ages
- Friday 17 July PM
- Friday 31 July PM
- Friday 14 August PM
- £38

A pamper afternoon for your hands and nails.

STABILISERS OFF

- All ages
- Monday 20/21/22 July AM
- Wednesday 5/6/7 August AM
- Monday 17/18/19 August AM
- £135

Are you nearly able to ride your 2 wheel bike, but you don't have space to fall off or practice? Then come and try our special cycling courses to perfect your balance. Please bring your own bike and helmet.



LASER TAG (OFF SITE COURSE)

- Age 8+
- Monday 20 July AM
- Wednesday 5 August AM
- £58

Engage in exciting laser battles with friends, strategise as a team and navigate through the arena for an action packed experience. Laser tag brings excitement to any group, making it a hit with all kids. **Please note this course requires a signed waiver which will be sent to you on booking.**

YOGA

- All ages
- Monday 20 July PM
- Monday 10 August PM
- £38

Yoga for children uses traditional poses alongside games and music to create a fun class. We will be twisting, balancing, forward and backward bending and lots more to support growing bodies, increasing co - ordination, concentration and relaxation skills.

DIY SOLAR SYSTEM

- All Ages
- Monday 20 July PM
- £38

A hands on activity where kids will get the chance to create colourful models of the sun and all of the surrounding planets in the solar system.

Lemon Drizzle

- All Ages
- Tuesday 21 July AM
- £44

A refreshing, zesty cake for a tea time treat!

GO KARTING (off site course)

- Cadet Track (Age 8+ Min Height 1.3m)
- Main track (Age 12+ Min Height 1.5m)
- Tuesday 21 July AM
- Monday 3 August AM
- Monday 24 August AM
- £75 (cadet track) and £85 (main track)

Off to Surbiton Raceway for an adrenaline packed session, racing your friends around the cadet track in 140CC 48HP petrol Go Karts. Or for the older children, the chance to try out the longer and faster main track.

FOAM CLAY ICE CREAM CONES

- All Ages
- Tuesday 21 July PM
- £38

Colourful handmade foam clay ice cream cones, perfect for play, decoration or gifts. Lightweight, fun and made to last.

CAVING AND CLIMBING (off site course)

- Age 7+
- Tuesday 21 July PM
- Monday 3 August PM
- Thursday 20 August PM
- £50

Participants will get to explore this unique, artificial caving system and crawl through over 50 meters of twists and turns in a safe environment, after which they can try their hand on the 4.5 meter bouldering walls.

SKATEBOARDING

- Wednesday 22 July AM (Age 8+)
- Wednesday 22 July PM (Age 5-7)
- Thursday 13 August AM (Age 8+)
- Thursday 13 August PM (Age 5-7)
- Tuesday 25 August AM (Age 5-7)
- Tuesday 25 August PM (Age 8+)
- £48

Learn to skate with Usk8's Skateboarding Workshops! Our highly trained instructor will run you through all you need to know to get you rolling on your own! All equipment provided.

WELLNESS WEDNESDAY

- Wednesday 22 July AM (Age 5-7)
- Wednesday 22 July PM (Age 8+)
- Wednesday 5 August AM (Age 5-7)
- Wednesday 5 August PM (Age 8+)
- Wednesday 19 August AM (Age 5-7)
- Wednesday 19 August PM (Age 8+)
- £42

Welcome to Wellness Wednesday - a relaxing mini spa experience designed just for children. A gentle, calming session with pampering touches, mindful moments and a chance to unwind and feel refreshed.

SAYERS CROFT POND DIPPING AND MINI BEAST HUNTING (all day off site course)

- Age 6+
- Thursday 23 July all day
- £76

A fun filled day spent pond dipping and maze and blindfold trail in the morning followed by a bug hunting, nature walk and other games in the afternoon - a packed lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided.

DECORATE YOUR OWN SUNGLASSES

- All ages
- Thursday 23 July AM
- £38

Make some cool shades ready for a sunny (hopefully) summer holiday.

PHONE PHOTOGRAPHY

- Age 9+
- Thursday 23/24 July PM
- £76

Discover the art of phone photography! in this fun course children will learn how to take creative photos, use lighting and angles, and capture amazing images using a smartphone. At the end of the course the kids will have a collage of their photos printed off.

CHEESY GARLIC TEAR N SHARE BREAD

- All Ages
- Friday 24 July AM
- £44

Soft Cheesy yummy garlic bread to share this weekend.

GO APE & WOODLAND MARBLE ADVENTURE (all day off site course)

- Age 6+
- Friday 24 July All day
- Thursday 6 August All day
- Tuesday 18 August All day
- £80

The Tree Top adventure aimed at aged 6+ years. The safety systems are designed so that participants stay attached the whole time they are in the trees and there is no need for them to move any safety lines. A fun filled time of canopy exploring, trail blazing and obstacles for all to enjoy. You'll negotiate crossings and finish on a high (literally) with an awesome zip wire! Followed by an afternoon exploring the giant marble run throughout the Alice Holt Woodland.

BEN'S BEST BANANA BREAD

- All ages
- Monday 27 July AM
- £44

Kids will learn how to bake delicious homemade banana bread. In this fun hands on course children will mix, bake and decorate their very own banana bread.



DANCE CLUB

- All ages
- Monday 27 July AM
- Thursday 20 August PM
- £40

Dance Club from JH Ballet! Come along for an exciting summer of dance fun! We will spend the morning choreographing dance routines covering all different styles of dance – pop, contemporary, tap, ballet, and musical theatre.

CRICKET SKILLS

- Ages 5-8
- Monday 27 July AM
- Wednesday 5 August PM
- £38

A great chance to improve your skills with the use of fun drills and game based activities.

SWIMMING LESSONS

- All ages
- Monday 27/28/29/30 PM
- £148

Our Downsend School swimming instructor Miss Seivewright will be running this summer's course.

Beginners - Swimming with or without a life jacket on - at times they may use floats to aid floatation but hopefully by the end of the course they should be able to swim unaided! No Guarantees! If they are confident they may try swimming in deep water. No more than 5 in a group.

Improvers - This is for children who are able to swim at least 10m on front and back. They will be introduced to the main swimming strokes and develop breathing skills. They will also be introduced to a wide range of other skills such as sculling and treading water.

Advanced - Improves stroke technique and consolidates aquatic skills along with controlled breathing. An introduction to diving and other deep water skills is also included.

Challenge - For older children who are capable of swimming at least 25m. Children will improve their stamina whilst maintaining their stroke technique. Introducing a wider range of water skills.

KICK X (off site course)

- Age 8+
- Monday 27 July PM
- Monday 24 August PM
- £50

The kids will get the opportunity to play in each of the 4 unique areas that KICK X have on site to test their skills against each other



LEGOLAND (all day off site course)

- Age 8+
- Tuesday 28 July ALL DAY
- £115

Join us for an exciting day at Legoland! Enjoy thrilling rides, amazing LEGO creations, interactive attractions and plenty of fun on this unforgettable adventure.

JEWELLERY MAKING

- All ages
- Tuesday 28 July AM
- £38

Get creative and design your own beautiful jewellery! Children will learn simple jewellery making techniques while creating unique pieces to take home with them.

DREAM CATCHERS

- All ages
- Thursday 30 July AM
- £38

Children will use colourful materials, beads and feathers to design a unique decoration to take home and display.

3D WALL ART

- Age 8+
- Thursday 30 July PM
- £38

Create stunning 3D wall art using wire and nail polish.

FOOTGOLF

- Age 7+
- Thursday 30 July PM
- Tuesday 11 August AM
- £45

A sport that combines football and golf, kick footballs around an 18 hole course aiming to finish in as few kicks as possible.

MARTIAL ARTS

- Age 7+
- Friday 31 July AM
- Friday 14 August AM
- £48

We are delighted Barker Martial Arts will be running workshops this summer during Downsend Plus. This children will be introduced to the traditional Korean martial art of Han Guk Mu Sool, exploring a dynamic mix of empty hand forms, kicking drills, pad work and practicing self defence techniques. Along side the martial arts training, the children will also take part in indoor traditional Korean archery games, adding a focused and exciting challenge to the session.

ESCAPE ROOM; OPERATION SEALION (OFF SITE COURSE)

- Age 9+
- Friday 31 July PM
- £52

WW2 invasion is imminent, your time is short and failure is not an option. You're inside a French cafe that doubles as a resistance safehouse disguised within the cafe walls are crucial bits enemy intelligence. Work together to search the room and piece the information together to reveal the full plan. Once uncovered, you must escape.

FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

- All Ages
- Monday 3 August AM
- £38

Spend the morning designing and making your very own bracelet to give to any of your closest friends

DRAMA CLUB

- All Ages
- Monday 3/4/5/6 August PM
- £188

Come and join us for an exciting new Musical Theatre course at Downsend Plus. We will have lots of fun exploring the three genres of musical theatre – dance, music and drama. Working together, we will put on a spectacular performance at the end of the course for family and friends to see what we have been up to. With so many wonderful shows to base the course on – think Matilda, Mary Poppins, Oliver, Annie ... the list is endless! ... and so many opportunities to be creative we will have a fantastic time putting on a show!

CARROT CAKE

- All Ages
- Tuesday 4 August AM
- £44

A sweet treat to share with family and friends.

BROOKLANDS (ALL DAY OFF SITE COURSE)

- Age 7+
- Tuesday 4 August all day
- £75

Discover the pioneers of speed, flight and adventure at the birthplace of British motorsport, aviation and home of Concorde. We will visit all the highlights of the museum including Concorde.

A packed lunch, drinks and snack will be provided.

DJEMBE DRUMMING

- Ages 5-7
- Tuesday 4 August AM
- Friday 21 August AM
- £38
- Monday 10/11 August PM
- Age 8+
- £72 (2 afternoon course)

Discover the joy of rhythm in this engaging djembe drumming course. Learn traditional African rhythms and group drumming skills in a fun environment.

SLIME MAKING

- All Ages
- Tuesday 4 August PM
- £38

A hands on experience of making your very own sticky, stretchy slime to enjoy.

FINE ART WORKSHOP

- Age 10+
- Thursday 6 August AM
- £38

Join us for a unique Downsend Plus art lesson, designed for the artsy older kids. Combining different media and techniques with a live tutorial, its sure to be a lot of fun and experimentation.

BREAD BAKING

- All Ages
- Thursday 6 August PM
- £40

An afternoon spent making and shaping your own bread rolls.

WATERSPORTS (all day off site course)

- Age 8+
- Friday 7 August All day
- Friday 21 August All day
- £90

We are running water sports courses this summer based at the Aqua Sports Centre in Merstham on Mercers Lake. This is a location of outstanding natural beauty and the children will be provided with buoyancy aids and all the safety equipment they need to enjoy an exciting day of sailing, windsurfing and kayaking. Instruction in each activity will be based on the children's ability and experience and is planned to give the children a fun but challenging day on the water. A packed lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided.

ESCAPE ROOM; MYSTERY EXPRESS

- Age 9+
- Friday 7 August PM
- Friday 21 August PM
- £52

Step aboard the Mystery Express and take your seat inside a specially designed train carriage, where a dark and intriguing mystery unfolds around you. The murder of Farmer Arthur Fields has sent shock through the town, leaving the community in fear and uncertainty. Every clue, every hidden detail could hold the key to uncovering the truth of this case. From your seats, you will study evidence, uncover hidden clues, and piece together a tangled web of secrets. Every detail brings you closer to the truth. Work together to follow the trail, connect the dots, and identify the culprit before the train reaches its final stop and the mystery remains unsolved.

LEMONADE AND SHORTBREAD

- All Ages
- Monday 10 August AM
- £44

This tangy and sweet treat is a summer must. Come and create this classic refreshing combo



MARTIAL ARTS

- Ages 5-6
- Monday 3 August AM
- Monday 10 August AM
- £48

This high energy introduction into Martial arts will allow kids to learn about the skills whilst boosting coordinations and confidence in a supportive and encouraging environment.

PAINTBALLING (off site course)

- Age 8+
- Monday 10 August AM
- £58

Enjoy running around in the woods firing at friends and opponents. Can you keep paint free? Why not bring your friends, make a big group and challenge others? Overalls provided but please wear old clothes.

BIRDWORLD (all day off site course)

- Age 6+
- Tuesday 11 August all day
- £74

Explore the different species of exotic birds in all shapes and sizes, in this fun all day course. A packed lunch, drinks, snacks and an ice cream will be provided.

EGG DROP CHALLENGE

- Age 8+
- Tuesday 11 August AM
- £38

Can you protect the egg? In this challenge the kids will become designers and inventors to build their own egg protection contraption. Will your egg survive the fall?

CUSTOMISE A WATER BOTTLE

- All Ages
- Tuesday 11 August AM
- £38

Stay hydrated and never lose your water bottle again with your own personalised one!

JELLY CAT POTTERY PAINTING

- All Ages
- Thursday 13 August AM
- £38

Join us for a Jellycat inspired pottery painting session, paint your own or choose one of our designs to colour with our speciality glazes.

Your creations will be taken to Painty Pots studio to be glazed and fired and ready to collect the following week.



LEARN TO DIVE

- All ages
- Thursday 13/14 August PM
- £74

Across this 2 afternoon course the kids will start with handstands, then head first surface dives then sitting then kneeling, followed by racing and plunge dives moving them onto the starting blocks. ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ABLE TO SWIM A MINIMUM OF 25M

SAVOURY MUFFINS

- All ages
- Friday 14 August AM
- £44

A savoury treat for the weekend.

ESCAPE ROOM; CHALLENGE CHAMBERS (off site course)

- Age 9+
- Friday 14 August PM
- £52

The Challenge Chambers were devised by the late Earl of Clayborne. A series of trials, each carefully designed to test intelligence in the search for a worthy suitor for his beloved daughter, Lilly. Many stepped forward, drawn by the wealth but every one of them failed to overcome the chambers. Now abandoned, the Earl's priceless fortune and diamond ring remain within, waiting for those brave enough to uncover the secrets of the Chambers. Only those with sharp minds, steady nerves, and true teamwork may succeed where others could not and finally claim the long-guarded reward.

BAKE OFF

- Age 9+
- Monday 17/18/19/20/21 August AM
- £195

The great Downsend Plus Bake Off is back! The children will be guided through recipes on the first 4 mornings being judged on their finished results, along with how clean and tidy their area is. The final morning, it will be your own recipe, bring your finished bake to the judging table to be tasted in front of Downsend Plus, staff and pupils, always a popular course.

GOLF (off site course)

- Age 7+
- Monday 17/18/19 August PM
- £180

The Drift Golf Club will be the venue for the golf lessons. All aspects of the game will be covered using the brand new state of the art Trackman Range and Academy. Areas of the game will include full swing, putting, chipping, bunker shots, on course play and rules. Golf clubs will be provided on the day, however if children have their own equipment, it's a good idea to bring this along.

BEADED ANIMAL KEY RINGS

- All Ages
- Monday 17 August PM
- £38

Have the opportunity to design and build your own key rings, for you or your family to make their keys really stand out.

PAINTY POTS STUDIO (all day off site course)

- Age 6+
- Monday 24 August all day
- £75

It's summer Pottery Camp Time! Join us for a fun day of summer inspired creative pottery making and painting at Painty Pots Farm Studio. We will be hand sculpting with clay, learning and practicing different pottery painting techniques with speciality glazes as well as other projects and even a turn on our potters wheel! If you would like to, you can also meet and feed Painty Pots own pygmy goats- Potter, Keith and Splash! A packed lunch, drinks and snack will be provided.

BRITISH WILDLIFE CENTRE (all day off site course)

- All Ages
- Monday 25 August all day
- £75

An exciting opportunity for children to discover some of the UK's most iconic animals in a natural setting. A packed lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided.



SNACKS, LUNCH AND TEA

Included within your fees, we will provide:

- A morning and afternoon snack
- A healthy hot lunch with a range of options

If you choose 'Late finish', tea will also be provided (excluding Fridays)

A FEW THINGS TO NOTE

- Children are welcome to bring bikes or scooters, but must have a helmet.
- We recommend old clothing, as it may get dirty.
- Please no mobile phones or electronic devices.
- We try and offer swimming twice a day, this is optional and all abilities are welcome so swimming kit is advised.

OFF SITE COURSES

When booking an off site trip your child will be travelling from Downsend School to the course venue and returning to school in our Downsend School minibuses. These are driven by Downsend School or Downsend Plus qualified drivers and children will be supervised throughout the journey by Downsend Plus Staff. If there is anything you think we ought to be aware of to ensure the comfort and safety of your child/ren whilst on the minibuses, please do not hesitate to contact us.

All full day courses will include a packed lunch, drinks and snacks. Please provide your child with a water bottle, sun hat, sun cream (applied before arrival) and a light weight rain coat.

CONTACTING US

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