



MiaFest

A magical day of fun,
imagination and wonder

17th September 12 noon - late

MiaFest is a celebration of the birthday of Mia,
a little red-headed girl of 13 months,
who loved nature and the outdoors

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Hi there!

We hope you have a truly extraordinary day today and that MiaFest inspires your imagination and taps into your creativity.

We strive to ensure that there is something for everyone - animals, craft, nature activities, fantasy, music and food, as well as storytelling and quieter activities.

We thoroughly enjoy making MiaFest happen each year and we are delighted that so many of you are now part of the MiaFest family, actively participating in



making today special by volunteering and taking part. Together we are bringing the wonder of nature to children and creating experiences that they will carry with them. Their smiles are always worth the long hours.

Why not join us again at Mia's Wood on a woodland activity or maintenance day?

Kirstin, Simon and Finn x





The different areas at MiaFest

Animalia

Camping

Chill-out

Clay Play

Creative Instincts

Fine Food

Flights of Fancy**

Footlights

Rhythm & Harmony @ the Great Tipi**

The Circle

The Great Outdoors**

Willow lantern-making**

** Please check the programme so you don't miss out on time specific activities

See those green top hats?

**They are our lovely
volunteers – please thank
them for all their hard work**






**Important
stuff to know...**

Safeguarding - Please note that you are responsible at all times for where your charges might (and might not) be!

Little lost MiaFesters - None, we hope - but you can reclaim them at the Welcome Tent near the entrance.

Activities and age suitability - All children are welcome to participate in all activities although we expect littlest ones to have a bigger person around to help them.

Photographs - If you'd prefer you and / or your children not be included in any publicity, please just say.

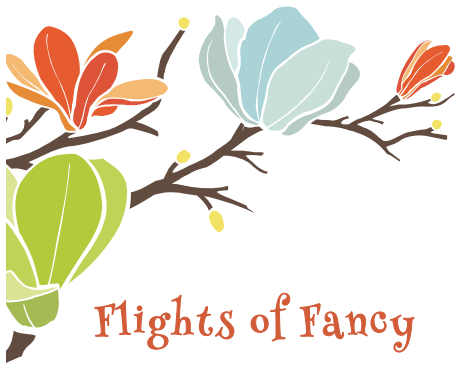


Cash only please for food and drink - There are no ATMs on site (after all, it is a wood)

First Aid and safety - CN Event Medical are here if you need them.

Accessibility - If you require extra support, please speak to our Accessibility Volunteer at the Welcome Tent.

Tents - we'd ask that you respect the campers by staying away from their personal tents.



Flights of Fancy

This year we will be hosting some extra-special guests at Mia's Wood...

The beautiful Fairy Queen and her Unicorn will be gracing us with her presence in her Willow Den palace between 1-3pm

The Hare and the Tortoise will be bounding about! Thank you to The Fabularium Theatre Company from Coventry



The Ukelele Lady, Sara Spade will serenade you as she wanders.

Dinosaur Dig!!

Did dinosaurs once live at Mia's Wood? Join Cackle Street who are leading us on a special archeological adventure to find out...

The Imaginarium

Enter a cavern full of costumes and treasures... Who or what do you want to be?





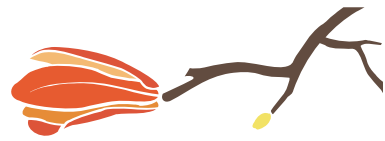
Creative Instincts

Come and make all kinds of nature-based craft here between 12 noon and 6pm in the amazing Creative Instincts tent

Nature Crowns
Bug Head-dresses
Stick wands
Elf houses
Wiggly Creatures

Willow lantern- making

Learn this artform from
Jane of Wasseldine Stories
** 12:30-3:00pm only



Clay Play

Make a pot or make an animal, it's up to you.

Throw a Pot and Throw a Pot... with Kirsteen Holuj, a ceramic artist at Westbury Arts

Clay bugs and beasties with The Wildlife Trust





Rhythm and Harmony @ the Great Tipi

Listen and learn, drum
and dance!

Drumming workshops

Nkiru Arts (Max 20)

12:15 - 12:45pm

1:45 - 2:15pm

2:30 - 3:00pm

Red Phoenix, Storyteller Extraordinaire

3.00 - 6.00pm

The Loveliest Loo - a very special story by Mandy Burton

1.00 - 1.20pm

2.15 - 2.30pm

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Silent disco

Dance to your own beat!
3.30 - 5.00 in the lantern
tent then later in the Tipi

Animalia

Shh! Don't scare them!

Animal Farm

Basil & Crew

Meet an Owl

Brian Walters

Mini-beasts hunt

What will you find with
your nets?





The Great Outdoors

Develop your nature skills with some experts.

Apple-pressing - It's autumn, and it's time to make apple juice with Mid-Shires Orchard Group

Outdoor cookery - Make chapattis and toast marshmallows with MK Play Association
**12 noon - 5pm

Woodwork - nail art and wood sculptures
**12 noon - 5pm MK PLAY



Muddy Puddles - channel your inner Peppa!

Bushcraft fire-lighting - a very useful skill to have

Obstacle course - How fast can you go?

Den-making - just the best fun!

Tree & bulb planting - make Mia's Wood a little more beautiful
**2pm - 4pm





Chill-out

Sometimes, it's important to escape for a quiet moment.

Chill-out tent

For those who need a break from all the noise and activity.

Wishing Tree

Leave your own wish on our special Mia's Wood wishing tree.

Glossatree

Make up a new word, all of your own!



The Circle

Come to the centre of activity and join in the fun.

Wid Things face painting

Outdoor music station

Outdoor weaving

Big top circus skills

Giant bubbles





Footlights

There's a time to dance and a time to sing – right here!

1pm Sara Spade, the Ukelele Lady, a favourite with Jools Holland

2pm After the Light - for your dancing pleasure!

3pm Nick Cope - fresh from the 2016 Edinburgh Fringe Festival!

4pm The Pipeshop Boyz - twirling, foot-stomping fun for the family

5pm Emma McGrath, an incredibly talented local songstress

6pm Twilight Woodland Procession and Bubble Cloud

7pm Linda Watkins - From the valleys to the Wood.....Folk star!

8pm Livi Parkinson - an ethereal romantic voice, perfect for listening and chilling

9pm Campfire songs, stories & fire play

Our Twilight Woodland procession will take place around 6:30pm and finish with a bubble cloud!
Collect your willow lanterns and show off all your other creations!





Fine Food

We are proud to bring you a gorgeous gourmet selection of locally-sourced sustenance.

Bradshaws of Buckinghamshire ice-cream

Eutopia Events drinks

Howe & Company Fish and Chips

From Peru to You

La Crêpe Française

Monkshood Coffee

The Classic Cream Tea Company





Our behind-the-scenes family

Strawberry Fieldz

World Tents

Fionna Schilling

The Daniel Estick Trust

Whaddon Under-5s preschool

Talesian Sounds

IKEA

David and James Seymour

Mel and Sue Hughes

Paragon Hire

Little Horwood Memorial Hall

Fountasia

Arts Gateway

Mia's Wood is a children's environmental charity set up to bring Mia's love of nature to other children. All work is voluntary and we are funded solely by donations.

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