

JULY EVENTS AT THE BASINGSTOKE DISCOVERY CENTRE

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Main events

To Free the Romanovs: Royal Kinship and Betrayal in Europe
Thursday 12 July: 2pm / £5
To mark the centenary of the murder of Tsar Nicholas II and his family at Ekaterinburg in July 1918, Romanov expert Coryne Hall talks about her new book To Free the Romanovs. Royal Kinship and Betrayal in Europe, 1917–1919.

Beatrix Potter: The Tale of the Tales

Tuesday 24 July: 2pm / £5

Beatrix Potter wrote and illustrated some of the best loved children's books of all time. Most of us are familiar with The Tale of Peter Rabbit, but how many of us know the story of how it came to be written? This talk focuses on the creation of Beatrix Potter's 'Little Books' and offers a fascinating insight into the life, art and writing of this talented Victorian woman.

Children's events

Mischief Makers – Summer Reading Challenge

From Saturday 14th July / FREE

The Summer Reading Challenge is a national scheme produced by The Reading Agency and delivered by libraries to support children's reading across the Summer Holidays. Aimed at 4 – 11 years olds, the challenge is for children to read any six books over the summer. Children can read whatever they like – fiction books, fact books, joke books, picture books, audiobooks – just as long as they are borrowed from the library. This year's theme is Mischief Makers and is inspired by the much-loved iconic children's title The Beano, which celebrates its 80th anniversary. Simply visit the Discovery Centre from July 14th to sign up – it's completely free of charge.

Children's Crafts

Saturday 21 July / from 10am / FREE / Ages 3+

The summer Holidays are nearly here! Come along for some beachy crafts