

**For immediate release**

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**Celebrate February at County Museum this half-term**



Fun craft activities exploring festivals from around the world will be on offer at the County Museum this half term.

'February Fun Time' at the museum will explore celebrations which happen around the world during the month (February), including South American carnivals, Chinese New Year, 'Festivals of Light' and Valentine's Day.

Activities will take place from Tuesday 16 February until Friday 19 February starting at 10.30am each day and ending at 4.30pm. Activities are suitable for children from 4 years and up and adults are always welcome to 'have a go' too!

Children will be able to try their hand at making hats, masks, cards, firework pictures, celebration lanterns, carnival headdresses, stick puppets, clay models and more (activities change daily, call the museum for more information 01299 250416).

Throughout the week children can also follow the 'Firework Trail' around the museum and hop on board the Mobile Museum Bus to explore its current exhibition which looks at the history of the Olympics. On Thursday and Friday face painting will also be available.

The Castle Kitchen Café will be serving light lunches, delicious cakes and hot and cold drinks throughout the day and the museum shop is extending its January sale until the end of half term so there is plenty to keep you busy.

The admission charge is adults £4.50, children/concessions £2.25 or a family ticket for £12. For a day's activities there is an additional charge of £1 per child. Or you can buy a Family Pass valid for 12 months for just £30 which includes all the activities.

**Rachel Robinson, Worcestershire County Council's Visitor Services Officer,** said: "It's going to be four fun-packed days at the museum with exciting things to make and do and a chance to learn about celebrations in other countries around the world."

For more information about the half term activities call the museum on 01299 250416 or email [museum@worcestershire.gov.uk](mailto:museum@worcestershire.gov.uk)

**Notes to editors –**

The County Museum is situated off the A449, three miles south of Kidderminster.

The museum is open from 10am until 5pm, Tuesday to Friday, and from 11am until 5pm on Saturdays and Sundays. Usual admission costs are £4.50 adults, £2.25 children and concessions, £12 family ticket.

**Photo attached of Museum volunteer Anna May Furness from Abberley with some of the things children can create**

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