



AUTUMN ACTIVITIES

We understand that the half term holidays can be challenging, so we have pulled together some useful information on where you can eat out as well as activities that you can do over the break that are suitable for both adults and children. We hope you find it useful!

1. Visit the Beaches

If you are looking for somewhere to wrap out warm and go rock pooling in wellies check out Hartland Quay in near Bideford in North Devon and Oddicombe Bay near Torquay. Blackpool Sands near Dartmouth is a great option, as well as Bantham Beach near Salcombe.

In Cornwall Treyarnon Bay between Newquay and Padstow has some large shallow rocks pools, which is a great child-friendly option if you want ideas of free things to do near Newquay, while further up the coast, Greenaway Beach near Polzeath is perfect for older children.

On the south coast, there are some great rock pooling options near Falmouth, including Castle Beach and Hannafore Beach near Looe. The [Cornwall Wildlife Trust](#) also runs rockpool safaris and rockpool rambles throughout the year, as well as beach clean ups.

2. Letterboxing and Geo-caching

Download a geo caching app to find hidden stashes on Dartmoor. Or why not have a go at [Letter Boxing](#), where you need to track down over 100 'letterboxes'. When you find one of these you can record your find with a stamp that you'll find inside.

3. Becky Falls

Fun outdoors with the whole family this October Half Term at Dartmoors famous Becky Falls.

This years activities include pumpkin carving, special effects, animals talks and a free activity trail with the chance to win a season ticket for 2024.

4. Visit the Forests

Cardinham Woods is found in central Cornwall with plenty of free walking trails ranging from 1 mile to 4 miles! In Devon, you can visit Haldon Forest near Exeter. There is also a Zog forest adventure trail at both sites - the mobile app is free to download and you can pick up an activity pack for £4 which includes pencils, crayons, stickers and dragon wings!

5. Discover Melin's Cave

Tintagel in Cornwall is a great place to visit but is expensive to visit the castle ruins. Instead, why not head down to the beach at low tide (as the cave fills with water at high tide) to explore Merlin's cave. This activity is better with older children as there is quite a lot of scrambling needed, and we recommend you bring a torch with you!



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Days out can be expensive, so we've pulled together a list of activities that you can do within Devon and Cornwall over the half term break to suit a range of budgets

5. Pumpkin Picking

Fancy visiting a pumpkin patch this October to find the perfect pumpkin for your soup or to display in your home take a look below at where you can visit:

- Liffon Strawberry Fields
- Darts Farm Pumpkin Patch in Exeter
- PYO Pumpkins in South Devon
- Terawhiti Farm, South Milton
- Devon Pumpkin Picking in Paignton

5. Craft Fair and Pumpkin Festival

The event is being held in Poundstock, Bude and is free to access with a variety of stalls to visit including jewellery, gifts, pottery, cakes and much more.

You can watch awards being given to those with the heaviest, biggest of best carved pumpkins!

7. Pumpkin Patch at Pennywell Farm

Bigger and better than last year, the 2023 Pumpkin festival includes:

Access to Pumpkin patch, walking trails, live music, marshmallow toasting experience, games and much more.

8. Roskilly's Farm

Roskilly's is a working Cornish farm south of Helston; there are plenty of beautiful walk and paths to explore through Old Withy Woods and wild meadows. You can also meet plenty of farm animals including calves, goats, pigs, sheep, chickens and more! You might even get to see the Jersey cows being milked and their famous ice cream being made.

9. House of Marbles

Free to enter and free parking as well in Newton Abbot. There is plenty to see here, from the Marble Museum, Snooki marble run, Games Garden and more!

10. Cosy day at home

Why not have a look at what films are going to be on tv, grab some popcorn and have an at home movie night in the comfort of your home!

Spend the day indoors with a cup of hot chocolate and play some games, dig out any board games hiding in your cupboard or get creative coming up with your own quiz or keep to the classics like Charades or Pictionary!

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2023

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

M&S CAFES

Spend £5 & get one free kid's meal Mon - Fri during the Oct Half term (various dates)

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI

From Monday 16th October - Friday 27th 2023 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE Monday - Friday from Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

100+ Fall Outdoor Activities for Kids

- ☐ Jump in a leaf pile
- ☐ Apple picking
- ☐ Watch a football game
- ☐ Attend a festival
- ☐ Fall color hike
- ☐ Go horseback riding
- ☐ Bob for apples
- ☐ Make fall
- ☐ Match the tree
- ☐ Go for a bike ride
- ☐ Bird watching
- ☐ Track the phases of the moon
- ☐ Dissect a sunflower
- ☐ Watch a parade
- ☐ Have a bonfire
- ☐ Preserve leaves with beeswax
- ☐ Go camping -
- ☐ Night hiking -
- ☐ Enjoy hot spiced apple cider
- ☐ Go fishing
- ☐ Go trick or treating
- ☐ Hayride
- ☐ Make bird feeders
- ☐ Plant bulbs for spring
- ☐ Have a flag football game
- ☐ Go on a bat hunt
- ☐ Outdoor picnic
- ☐ Weekend road trip
- ☐ Visit a botanical garden
- ☐ Make nut brittle
- ☐ Make a leaf crown
- ☐ Make a terrarium
- ☐ Decorate your front porch/door
- ☐ Do leaf rubbings
- ☐ Make a pinecone wreath
- ☐ Let your pumpkin rot
- ☐ Run a turkey trot (or Fun Run)
- ☐ Get lost in a corn maze
- ☐ Make a scarecrow
- ☐ Paint mini pumpkins
- ☐ Volunteer clean up
- ☐ Make caramel apples
- ☐ Visit a haunted house
- ☐ Read fall books outside
- ☐ Go to a pumpkin patch
- ☐ Collect conkers
- ☐ Stargaze in blankets
- ☐ Painted leaf tablecloth
- ☐ Roast marshmallows & hot dogs
- ☐ Make a thankful tree
- ☐ Go on a spider web hunt
- ☐ Apple stamping
- ☐ Make a dream catcher
- ☐ Pumpkin slime
- ☐ Rake leaves for neighbors
- ☐ Hot chocolate/apple cider stand
- ☐ Fall photo scavenger hunt
- ☐ Painting with mud
- ☐ Acorn hunt
- ☐ Watch geese fly south for winter
- ☐ Make a witch's potion from nature
- ☐ Build an outdoor den
- ☐ Roast pumpkin seeds
- ☐ Clean out garden & flowerbeds
- ☐ Visit an amusement park
- ☐ Make campfire apples
- ☐ Attend a soccer game
- ☐ Donate to a food bank/pantry
- ☐ Outdoor family game night
- ☐ Make a nature portrait
- ☐ Donut on a string game
- ☐ Smash pumpkins
- ☐ Make firestarters
- ☐ Campfire cookout
- ☐ Find wild persimmon
- ☐ Make popcorn on the cob
- ☐ Fall family photos
- ☐ Friendsgiving
- ☐ Train ride
- ☐ Make a float
- ☐ Pumpkin carving
- ☐ Leaf threading
- ☐ Go hunting
- ☐ Build a compost bin
- ☐ Chop firewood
- ☐ Salt dough leaf impressions
- ☐ Go canoeing/kayaking
- ☐ Random acts of kindness
- ☐ Walk in the fog
- ☐ Go on a bear hunt
- ☐ Visit a local farmer's market
- ☐ Dissect a sunflower
- ☐ Plant apple seeds
- ☐ Play in a corn pit
- ☐ Climb a tree
- ☐ Paint rocks
- ☐ Go geocaching
- ☐ Make a pumpkin volcano
- ☐ Outdoor exercises
- ☐ Paint with acorns
- ☐ Learn how to pitch a tent
- ☐ Make apple chips
- ☐ Leaf nature masks
- ☐ Watch a sunset

