

Braintree Museum Holiday Club Newsletter

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Top news

- This autumn we welcomed 94 children!
- No one got eaten by the dinosaur!
- Rob Flowers visited us again! See last page for more.

October Half Term 2025

This half term, our themes included: 'Welcome Autumn!', 'Witches and Wizards', 'Outer Space!' and 'Happy Halloween!'. The most popular day was Witches and Wizards, we attempted cross stitching on owl keyrings, decorated potion bottles and made hot chocolate potions. Hot chocolate potions has been requested every holiday since last October so we were eager to do this again!



REX, BABY T-REX

Fun Activities

For 'Welcome Autumn' we learnt about why the season changes and how we can spot it! We then created autumn themed paintings and relaxed by making loom band bracelets.

On Thursday, we explored 'Outer Space!' We experimented to make moon sand, took part in an alien quiz and then made rocket shaped dens to finish the day. We finished the week with a Halloween celebration! We did a monster hunt in the museum, made ghost cards and partied the whole afternoon!

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We were very lucky to meet two dinosaurs this half term. Rex, the baby T-Rex and Fang, the baby Utahraptor! The dinosaur handlers taught us lots of interesting facts about where they came from, how big they would get and what they eat. As small children were on the menu, they did a really good job of keeping us safe!





Halloween Party Costumes!



Making Moon Sand!



Talking to Lizzie about Fossils!

Nominations for Move With Us Champion

Ralphie Harvey has been nominated by Active Essex as a Move With Us Champion! His thoughtful actions and compassion towards others has been recognised by other clubs and visitors. Ralphie has been attending the holiday club for several years and is one of our oldest regular visitors! He is kind, quick to make friends and fantastic at organising games and encouraging others to join in. We would love for Ralphie to win his category so please vote for him with the link below by Sunday 9th November!



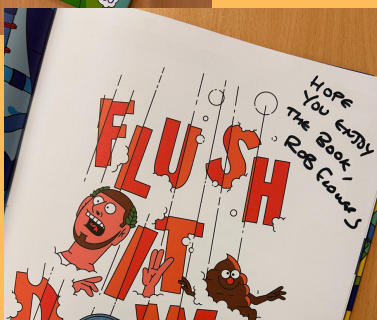
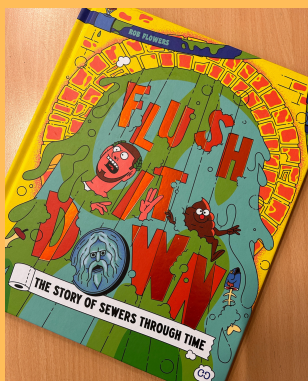
Ralphie Harvey, Slime Making

<https://www.activeessex.org/essex-activity-awards-2025/time-to-vote/>

This October, Rob Flowers visited us again to show off his new book! Rob has worked with us several times before to create new information panels for our museum garden and an animation of us speaking about climate change. Rob's new book is called 'Flush it Down: The Story of Sewers Through Time' and he shared his most gruesome illustrations and facts with us! See below for a link to his book!

<https://amzn.eu/d/i1SdDGG>

ROB FLOWERS



Coming Up!

Bookings go live on Friday 14th November, 12pm. Please use your Wonde code to book on Holiday Activities!

- Monday 22nd December - Our World - Finland!
- Tuesday 23rd December - Merry Christmas Eve Eve!
- Monday 29th December - Extinction!
- Tuesday 30th December - Happy New Year!



We will also be doing New Year's Hampers for people attending on Tuesday 30th December.

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