



August Newsletter 🌻

Happy holidays! Find out what we've been up to this summer and all the exciting opportunities coming up, including the return of the Tapton Lock Festival!

FAMILIES TURN OUT FOR CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL!



Thousands of people gathered at Queen's Park last month to enjoy our third annual Chesterfield Children's Festival! The two-day celebration of arts, culture, and creativity delivered a jam-packed programme of free, family-friendly entertainment for visitors of all ages.

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MISSION ACCEPTED!



We have teamed up with Year 5 (soon to be Year 6!) at Abercrombie Primary School to launch a very special year-long project... Meet our Festival Budding Investigators (aka the F.B.I. 👁️). These young agents will explore, experience, and evaluate all things creative—feeding back ideas to help us make the Chesterfield Children's Festival even more magical.

[WATCH THE F.B.I. REEL](#)

TAPTON LOCK FESTIVAL 2025!



The much-loved Tapton Lock Festival returns on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th September, 2025! It's going to be bigger, brighter, and more creative than ever, so make sure you don't miss it! Set along the beautiful Chesterfield Canal, this free two-day celebration of community and culture is packed with hands-on activities, live performances, and outdoor fun for all ages.

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NEW PUBLIC ART IN CHESTERFIELD



We are proud to have partnered with Avant Homes East Midlands and Bramley Vale Primary School on a new public sculpture at the Earl's Park development in Holmewood. We commissioned artist Rob Neith-Nicholson of Neith Art & Sculpture to lead four creative sessions with local pupils. The ideas and artwork generated by the students directly inspired the final design, called *Reclaim*.

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VOLUNTEER WITH US!



Our festival season is now in full swing, and so we are recruiting volunteers to help us deliver creative events in Chesterfield and Bolsover! Our volunteer opportunities are varied, no experience is necessary, and you can fit it around your existing commitments. Learn new skills, meet new people, develop your confidence and get creative!

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READ OUR ANNUAL REPORT



We have just published our 2024/25 annual report. It's been a year of growth, resilience, and creative collaboration at Junction Arts, and each programme has highlighted the power of community arts to unite, inspire, and create a lasting impact. Read our online publication to find out more.

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