

The Pollinarium Summer Activities

The Plant Pavillion
is the meeting point
for all activities*

Artists Garden,
York Art Gallery
08.08.18 - 26.09.18
FREE

* Except the Night-time Safari
** Please note all children must
be accompanied by an adult

Date	Time	Event	For who**	Description
08.08.18	14:00 - 16:00	Pollinating Creative Writing: a creative reading and writing workshop	Open to anyone who can read and write	We will read and talk about a number of texts about bees, and then have a go at producing some creative writing ourselves. Please bring a notebook and pen (preferably a hardback notebook you can lean on). The readings may be difficult for younger children, but all are welcome. Everyone should be able to attempt the writing element.
15.08.18	14:00 - 15:00 15:00 - 16:00	Songbox - Plants on the move, in time and space	Open to all ages including children with their parent or carer	A lively, interactive, guided tour of York's Museum Gardens, Edible Wood and the Plant Pavillion, investigating plant evolution. The event will involve significant walking, but on wheelchair accessible paths. We'll plan a route to avoid the steepest slopes and include pauses by benches, to maximise accessibility.
18.08.18	14:00 - 16:00	Wildlife Friendly Gardening	Open to all ages	Introducing The Plant Pavillion and the importance of late flowering plants for pollinators. Followed by a wander through the wider gardens looking at plants and their importance for wildlife.
22.08.18	14:00 - 15:00 15:00 - 16:00	Songbox - Plants on the move, in time and space	Open to all ages including children with their parent or carer	A lively, interactive, guided tour of York's Museum Gardens, Edible Wood and The Plant Pavillion, investigating plant evolution.
25.08.18	TBC	Check back soon...		
29.08.18	14:00 - 16:00	Pollinator Prowl	Open to all ages	Thanks to the hard work of pollinating insects such as bees, hoverflies and many others, we get to eat fruit and veg such as strawberries or pumpkins, and have beautiful gardens to enjoy. Come and learn more about these busy creatures as we explore the surrounding gardens which are buzzing with life.

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01.09.18	14:00 - 16:00	Buzzing	Ages 5 - 11 All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult	Get Buzzing! at The Plant Pavillion! What's it like to be to be a bee? Or a butterfly? Or a wasp? Find out through laughter, rhythm and rhyme with Anneliese Emmans Dean, winner of the 2017 York Culture Award for Excellence in Writing. Listen to, join in with and create your own pollinator poems as we explore the plants and creatures in The Plant Pavillion and the wider Museum Gardens beyond.
05.09.18	TBC	Check back soon...		
08.09.18	14:00 - 16:00	Bees, Butterflies and more!	Open to all ages	Take part in a minibeast hunt, led by Phil of Green Underwing, as we go looking for everything that flies, buzzes and crawls around the gardens. Learn why bees are important for helping make the food we eat, how ladybirds are the master of disguise, and how butterflies avoid being eaten!
12.09.18	14:00 - 16:00	Seed collecting and grow your own wildflowers	Open to all ages	Join St Nicks for a wander around the gardens and Plant Pavillion collecting native wildflower seeds to then sow into trays for people to take and germinate at home.
15.09.18	13:00 - 17:00	Pollinator Crafts	Open to all ages (NB, this is not suitable for small children.)	Weaving willow to make dragonflies and bees with Angela from Yorkshire Hurdles. Advanced booking required. Please come along on the day to book a 30 minute slot to make a dragonfly out of weaved willow. Plus make a weaved summer wreath!
19.09.18	19.30 - 21.00	Night-time Safari	Open to all ages	Meet at Museum Street entrance from 19:15. Join us for a night-time wildlife walk and activities as we explore what animals come out in the dark. We will be looking for bats, moths, beetles and more! Bring a torch if you own one (or borrow one of ours) and wrap up warm. Unfortunatley no late-comers can be admitted.
22.09.18	12:00 - 17:30	Converge at The Plant Pavillion	Open to all ages	Come along and use your singing voice in a wonderful natural setting and move with the plants in a series of events hosted by Converge. Each of the events will include performances and workshops run by our team of tutors and students; including a talk on the benefits of connection to nature for mental health and wellbeing as part of their continued support and connection to St Nicks.
26.09.18	17.30 - 18.30	Dusk Bird Walk	Open to all ages	Learn to identify some of the resident and visiting species during a walk around the gardens.