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## REDCAR KITE FESTIVAL

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# REDCAR KITE FESTIVAL 2026: A GUIDE FOR BRINGING LITTLE ONES

Redcar Kite Festival is a free family festival taking place at Majuba Beach in Redcar, including some of the most spectacular kites from around the world, live music, creative workshops and fantastic foodie treats.

Festivals are brilliant – they're fun, they're exciting, and you can make happy memories there that last a lifetime.

But... from running out of wet-wipes, to getting ice-cream EVERYWHERE, we know only too well how challenging it can be to take little ones on big days out.

So, we've put together a quick guide to try and make the whole festival experience as simple, straightforward and stress-free as possible.



# WHEN... WHERE.... HOW?

Redcar Kite Festival takes place across Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 June 2026, from 12pm – 6pm each day.

The entire festival will take place at Majuba Beach, on Redcar seafront. It'll take up space along the sand, and the whole of Majuba Beach car park.

Areas of the beach will be fenced off, to allow Kite Pilots from all over the country to fly a huge range of fantastic kites. Some of these kites are enormous, and so we have to fence off space to make sure everyone is safe.

But don't worry! There will be plenty of space on the sand for you to sit, watch, have a picnic, dig a big hole, or fly your own kites.

On Majuba car park there will be food stalls, vintage fairground rides, stalls, creative workshops where you can design or make your very own kites, and a stage, where a number of brilliant musicians will be playing.

Please Note: While the vast majority of the programme is free, some of the activity – like the fairground rides – will require a small fee.



# DO WE NEED TO GET THERE AT A CERTAIN TIME?

The Festival takes place between 12noon – 6pm, each day. We are expecting it to be busy, particularly around the 12pm – 2pm time.

The vast majority of the activities are taking place all day. But if you're looking to see something specific on the stage, or a particular piece of Kite choreography, you'll want to check the full schedule [here](#), which can help you plan your day.

# WHAT'S THE BEST WAY FOR US TO GET THERE?

There are loads of ways to get to the festival...! We'd like to encourage you to think about using public transport where you can, but we know that's not an option for everyone – especially with little ones. See below for lots of transport details.





# PARK AND RIDE

There is a Park and Ride service running both Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 June, taking you from Kirkleatham Showground (just on the outskirts of town) right into the heart of the Festival.

Buses will run from 11.45am to 6.30pm in a constant loop between Kirkleatham and Majuba Road.

You can park in the Showground for free, but you'll need to buy a ticket to get on the bus.

Returns tickets cost: Adult – £3.00/ Under 16's – £1.00/  
Under 3 – Free

You cannot buy a bus ticket in advance - you must buy them from the ticket desk (located at the Showground) before you're able to board the bus.

Tickets can be purchased by cash and card payments.

While the buses are coaches, wheelchair and access provisions are in place with ramp access. Prams must be folded.

Please be aware, that only assistance or guide dogs are allowed on the coaches.



## BY BUS

If not using our Park & Ride, buses run regularly to Redcar from all across the Borough.

The best place to get off the bus is by the clocktower, just off Redcar High Street. From there, it's a 10-15 minute walk, or a 20-25 minute "toddle" to get into the heart of the festival.

## BY TRAIN

Trains run regularly to Redcar between Darlington and Saltburn, with direct trains coming in from York, Manchester & Liverpool.

If you're based outside any of the above areas, a huge number of trains from all across the North of England run directly into Darlington Train Station, with trains running from Darlington into Redcar very regularly.

Redcar Train station is approximately a 15 minute walk from Majuba Beach (or a 25 minute "toddle"!)

# BY CAR

There is ample parking space all across Redcar.



## LONG STAY PAY & DISPLAY

Redcar & Cleveland Leisure & Community Heart  
(under the leisure centre) TS10 1RT.

FREE at weekends.

Kirkleatham St TS10 1RT: FREE at weekends.

Fisherman's Square TS10 3BH: FREE at weekends.

Turner Street TS10 1AQ: Saturday: First hour free,  
£1.20 1 hour to £4.80 all day. Sunday FREE.

## DEDICATED DISABLED BADGE HOLDERS PARKING

Literary Institute Car Park TS10 3EN

High Street, Newcomen Terrace, Esplanade, Queen  
Street

Especially for Redcar Kite Festival, Coatham Bowl  
Car Park (TS10n5BJ) is being transformed into a car  
park dedicated for Disabled Badge Holders.

Please Note: The car park at Majuba Beach will NOT  
be open during the festival

# WE'RE HERE! IT'S GREAT... BUT WE HAVE SOME QUESTIONS!

## FEEDING TIME

It should go without saying, but here's a reminder – the entire Kite Festival site is Breastfeeding Friendly. There are shady places on site, along with lots of street furniture where we hope you can make yourselves comfortable.

If you have bottles to warm up, formula to make, or those jars of baby-food to warm up - Beach Base is a brilliant organisation based at Majuba Beach, who work out of the dark blue container units right by the sand.

They have a café and will be more than happy to help you prepare your bottles & baby's food.

It is likely to get quite busy through the day though, so it might make sense to plan ahead...!



## OUR TODDLER NEEDS TO GO TO THE BATHROOM, NOW, WHERE ARE THEY?

There are lots of public toilets, with changing facilities, across the festival. Find them at;

- Beach Base, Majuba Beach
- TunedIn! (including a Changing Places toilet)
- Redcar Beacon
- On-Site Toilets – Near Majuba Car Park, Marquees by the sea.

## OUR LITTLE ONES ARE A LITTLE BIT PICKY ABOUT FOOD WHAT IS AVAILABLE?

All of the brilliant food traders that are part of the festival will have offers for families and children. Including everything from Ice Creams, to Loaded Fries.

You can check out our social media channels @RedcarKiteFestival for a full list of all festival food traders.

Of course, you are more than welcome to bring along any food or drinks from outside the festival and have a picnic on the beach.

# **SOMETHING COMPLETELY RANDOM AND UNEXPECTED HAS HAPPENED, THE WAY IT DOES WITH LITTLE PEOPLE. IS THERE SOMEONE I CAN TALK TO?**

There are lots of friendly, Redcar Kite Festival Staff and Volunteers all across the festival, who can be identified by their high vis jackets and t shirts.

If there's anything you are unsure about, anything you need, or anything you'd like to know – please just say hello, and we'd be more than happy to help.

**Finally, here are some general bits of advice, for any adult bringing children and young people to a festival**

Check the festival schedule: Find out what events or activities are suitable for your child's age group and interests. This will help you plan the day and avoid disappointment.



Bring supplies: Pack a bag with things like like sunscreen, snacks, water, extra clothes, and nappies. You may also want to bring a buggy, or baby carrier for younger children.

Keep an eye on your child. It's important to keep a close eye on your child at all times. Consider using a wristband or other identification in case you get separated. Teach your child to look for staff or police officers if they need help.

Follow safety rules: Review any safety rules or guidelines with your child before going to the festival. Talk about staying with a parent or caregiver, not accepting food or drinks from strangers, and other safety tips.

Have fun: Festivals are a great way to make memories with your child. Take photos, try new foods, and enjoy the activities together!

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**This parents guide has been developed in consultation with Redcar Cleveland Family HUBs. Thank you so much to all of the staff, parents, grandparents, guardians and little ones who contributed towards this guide.**