

## #newsin30seconds

### Exhibition celebrates Quentin Blake's 50-year partnership with John Yeoman

An exhibition celebrating illustrator Quentin Blake's 50-year partnership with author John Yeoman has opened at Derby Museums, in time for the summer holidays. *Blake and Yeoman: 50 Years of Children's Books* now runs through to October 3. This touring exhibition from House of Illustration features more than 40 works including illustrations and books by the pair. <https://bit.ly/3xp43dE>

### Getting a taste for Staffordshire

Enjoy Staffordshire has published a round-up of '10 Great Staffordshire Eateries' on its website, in a guest blog written by Lynne, also known as [The Moorlands Eater](#). Based in the Staffordshire Moorlands, in the north east of the county, Lynne loves good food and shares recipes from her kitchen, recommendations for eating out and tips about food and drink producers & suppliers. The round-up features restaurants, pubs and hotels across the county. <https://bit.ly/3qVJzad>

### A summer-long Festival of Hampshire's Top Attractions

Hampshire's leading attractions will be celebrating great days out and special events throughout July and August. At its heart, the "Festival of Hampshire's Top Attractions" will promote events taking place at attractions as well as the five ways to win days out, an Isle of Wight staycation and a family bonanza prize of a year's worth of family days out in 2022. Full details can be found at <https://bit.ly/3ev6JiL>

### It's 'Time For You' in East Yorkshire

Visit East Yorkshire's latest blog is a fresh take on how hard last year has been for everyone and how, as things begin to reopen again and the world takes on some sort of sense of normal, it's: Time For You. The blog features some of the many special places in this part of the world where it's possible to "take a break from it all" and relax, refresh, reflect, indulge, slow down...or experience an adrenaline rush! <https://bit.ly/3dY4vrQ>

### Major development in pipeline for Stoke

New images have been revealed of plans for a £75 million regeneration scheme in Stoke-on-Trent. Manchester-based developer Capital & Centric announced in March that it wants to redevelop the Swift House site, close to Stoke Station - and transform it into a new urban hub. The company's proposals for 'The Goods Yard' include 180 new homes, a 150-bed hotel, 25,000 square feet of workspace and 10,000 square feet of retail and leisure space as well as a restaurant, bar and water taxi service to Stoke City FC's bet365 stadium. <https://bit.ly/3hs9tiv>

### Coming Soon... to Royal Crown Derby Museum

Royal Crown Derby collectors, and ceramics fans in general, will be delighted to hear that a new 'Hands on Collections Tour' at the Royal Crown Derby Museum, will be available on Fridays over the summer from July 23. Pattern books from the earliest days of the Osmaston Road factory, lavish dinner services, and a chance to learn how we identify the oldest items in the collection are all a part of the hands-on experience. Minimum group size 2; maximum size 6. Tickets are priced at £15 per person. <https://bit.ly/36iUG3g>

### The art of The Waiting Room

A gallery supporting local artists and businesses has opened close to Longport railway station in Stoke-on-Trent...next door to Longport Oatcakes and opposite popular reclamation centre Cherished Chimneys. The award-winning not-for-profit, artist-led regeneration project - situated in a former empty shop - now serves as The Waiting Room Gallery. Selling work from local artists, the gallery also works with Centre Space Arts, a mixed media arts organisation based at the former Spode Works. <https://bit.ly/35qexx9>