

BIG DAY OUT



EVENT PROGRAMME

THE OPENING OF THE 5TH SESSION
OF THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

SATURDAY 2ND JULY 2016

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

WELCOME

To mark the official opening of the 5th session of the Scottish Parliament, a Big Day Out celebration will take place at Holyrood. The programme offers a free, fun-packed event for all the family.

The gardens and doors of the Scottish Parliament will be open to all to explore, plus a range of events you can watch or join in, including a mini Highland games, music and dance, science and nature, art activities for children and much more.

All events are free and there is no need to book – just come along for the afternoon to enjoy and celebrate with us.

The Big Day Out runs from **2pm to 6pm**.

INSIDE THE PARLIAMENT

The Parliament will **Open the Doors** to a selection of zones to explore:



ZONE 1

Culture (CR3)

This zone will offer taster sessions to experience music and dance from around the world, with Highland dancing by Flings & Things; street dance with Glasgow-based April's Street Feet; Punjabi folk by bhangra group APV; Indian dance by Dance Ihayami; and African drumming and dance with Afro percussion and dance group Ayawara.





ZONE 2

History (CR1)

Enjoy stories of Scottish History with our amazing storytellers. Dress up in period costumes and take a photo. Hear about the Parliament's more savoury characters from the Parliament's Tour Guides.



ZONE 3

The World (Garden Lobby/Canongate)

A lively programme of dancing, singing and drumming with performances from around the world, including:

- Traditional Lion Dance by Edinburgh's Yee's Hung Ga
- Afro percussion and dance by Ayawara
- Samba band Pulse of the Place
- Community choir Love Music
- Street dance school April's Street Feet
- Sistema Scotland youth orchestra
- Edinburgh Signing Choir
- Scottish youth dance project YDance - Horizons
- Bucksburn Academy Steel Orchestra
- Plockton National Centre of Excellence in Traditional Music
- Indian dance school Dance Ihayami
- Punjabi folk dance group APV
- Highland dance performers Flings & Things



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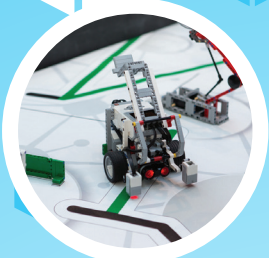
Family Events Saturday 20 August



The Lego Movie (U)

Screenings at 11:00 and 14:00

"Everything is awesome!" - if you join us for this free screening of the classic animation story of a good guy embarking on an epic quest to beat an evil tyrant – all rendered in LEGO®.



FIRST LEGO® League

14:00 - 17:00

Join the future innovators at FIRST LEGO® League as they tackle real-world problems using their imaginations to design, build and program a robot using LEGO MINDSTORMS® technology.



LEGO® Big Build

Come and help build the giant LEGO® map of Scotland with our professional LEGO® builders and watch it get bigger by the hour! You can also let your imagination loose on 25 kilos of mixed LEGO® at our general play table.

The Scottish Parliament's Clay Climate Change Challenge

10:30 - 16:00 Drop-in sessions

Your challenge, if you choose to accept it, is to design a solution to climate change challenges for Scotland! Build it in clay, place it on the giant map of Scotland, tweet your photo and take your genius solution home at the end of the day.



ZONE 4

Creativity (Garden Level Restaurant)

Kids get Creative - arts and craft zone for families, with designated areas to design and make your own keepsake from the day, including Scottish wildlife masks, pinwheels and dragonflies. Or come to the open art table and show off your artistic flair.

ZONE 5

Nature Zone (Members' Garden)

Learn all about the amazing world of nature, including Scottish Wildlife and meet a beekeeper who will tell you about the Parliament bees, how they make honey and how we use beeswax. Learn about the lives of owls and take the opportunity to meet and handle our nocturnal, feathered friends.

ZONE 6

Science and Innovation (Members' Room)

Have fun exploring the wonderful world of science and innovation with experts from the universities of Heriot Watt and Abertay as they showcase new research, experiments and techniques. With six different workstations there will be various hands-on experiments to try, including 3D printing; virtual reality gaming; game technology in science; cyber security and super-resolution microscopy.



ZONE 7

Democracy (Debating Chamber)

Visit the Debating Chamber and learn all about the Scottish Parliament and how it works. Enjoy the unique opportunity to sit in a Member's seats or take in the view from the Presiding Officer's dais.



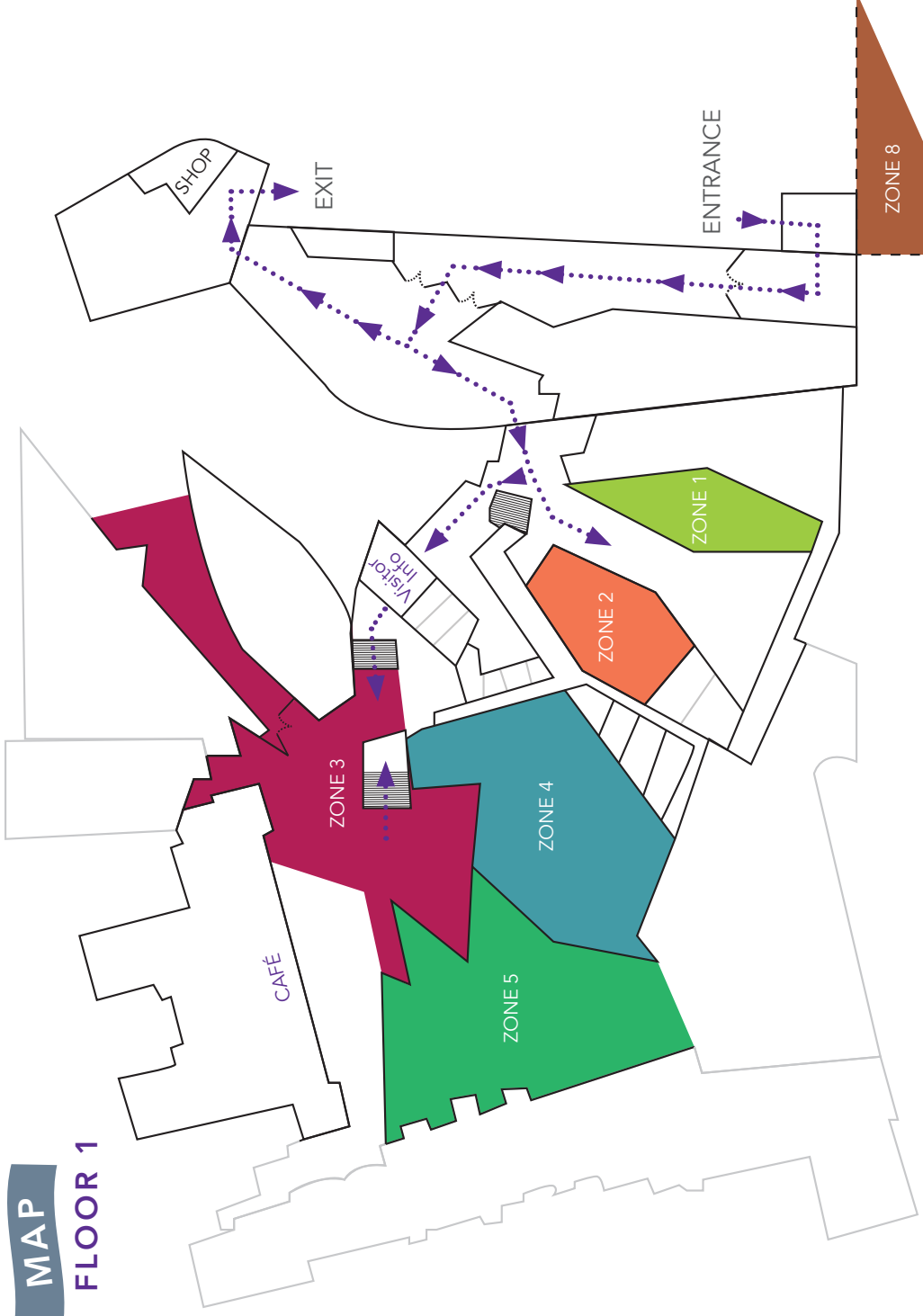
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Tradition (Landscape Gardens)

Outside in our landscape gardens there will be mini Highland games; birds of prey; Highland dancing and music, and you can jump aboard the Wild about Scotland bus.

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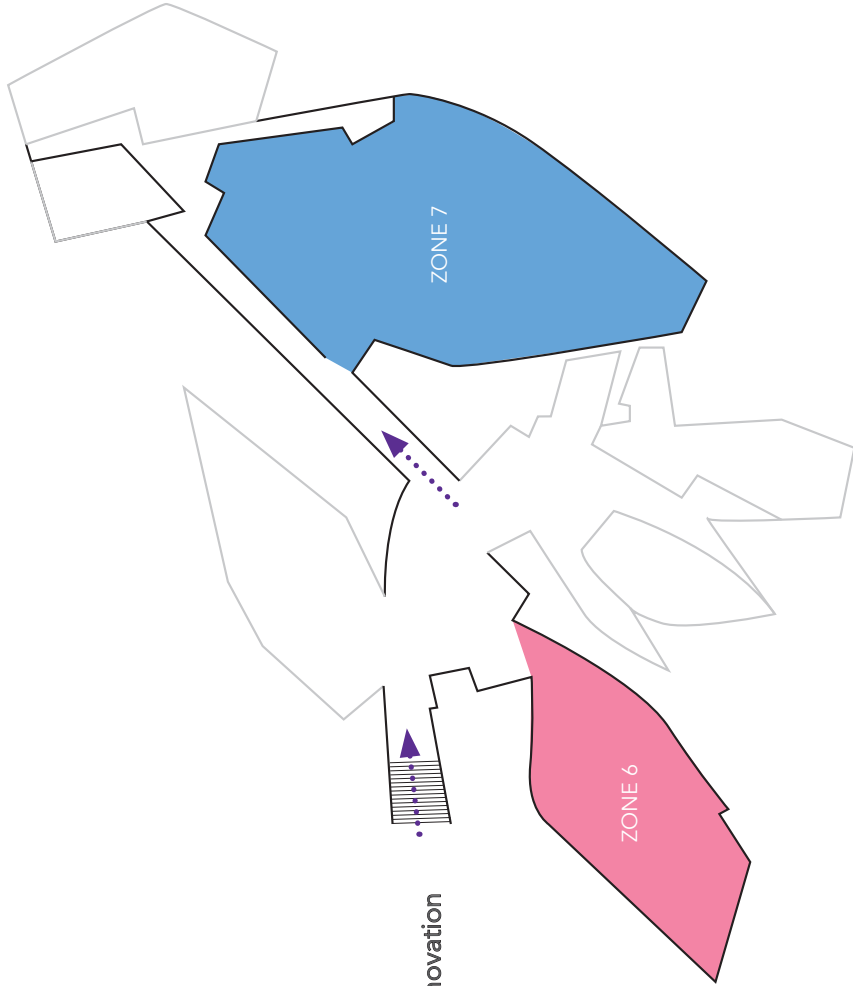
FLOOR 1



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FLOOR 2

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- Zone 4 - Creativity
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- Zone 6 - Science & Innovation
- Zone 7 - Democracy
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- Route
- Stairs



HOW TO FIND US



All Big Day Out events take place at the Scottish Parliament.

The Scottish Parliament building is located in the Holyrood area of central Edinburgh at the foot of the Royal Mile, on Horse Wynd, opposite the Palace of Holyroodhouse.

**The Scottish Parliament
Edinburgh EH99 1SP**

Where possible, we encourage visitors to use public transport.

By bus - Visitors can use the Lothian Buses service numbers 35 and 6. Details of all local bus services can be found at travelinescotland.com

By train - The Parliament building is a 15 minute walk from Edinburgh Waverley train station. Information about train services to and from Edinburgh can be found at nationalrail.co.uk

By road - The nearest car parks are St John's Hill or adjacent to Waverley Station, via New Street.

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