



Zajęcia dla dzieci
i młodzieży
w Warszawie –
język angielski

Activities for children and young people in Warsaw

In Poland, every child has the right to free education. There are also a variety of extracurricular activities available where children can develop their interests, as well as a cultural offer aimed at the youngest – but not only.

Extracurricular activities

There are many arts centres, youth culture centres, Jordan gardens and cultural education centres in Warsaw where children and young people can develop their interests, talents and hobbies.

These facilities offer the following activities:

- **artistic** – theatre, singing, playing an instrument, painting, sculpture, etc.,
- **sports** – artistic gymnastics, judo, swimming, team games, etc.,
- **scientific** – foreign languages, programming, computer graphics, etc.

Classes/activities are usually free – a small fee to the parents' council is usually required. Sometimes additional fees are charged, but always below commercial rates.

How do I enrol my child in such activities?

- 1) According to the recruitment schedule.** Every year at the beginning of May, online recruitment is launched through the city's system, which is also used to register for kindergartens and primary schools. You need to visit the website warszawa-pozaszkolne.pzo.edu.pl and enter your child's Civil Registration Number (PESEL) and a password generated by the director of the institution.
- 2) As part of supplementary recruitment.** In the second half of August it is again possible to recruit via the website warszawa-pozaszkolne.pzo.edu.pl - you can then enrol your child if there are vacancies left after the first round of recruitment.
- 3) As part of continuous recruitment.** A parent may also approach a community centre or other establishment providing extracurricular activities (after-school activities) and enquire about the availability of places. A child can join at any time during the school year - information on enrolment opportunities can be found on the website warszawa-pozaszkolne.pzo.edu.pl under tab 'Free places'.

Facilities offering extracurricular activities:

Warsaw - Bielany (neighbourhood)

- Bielany Centre for Cultural Education, centrumszegedynska9a.pl
- Bielany Youth Cultural Centre, mdkbielany.pl
- Youth Cultural Centre named Maria Gwizdak, mdkandersena.edupage.org

Warsaw - Mokotów

- Mokotów Youth Cultural Centre, mdk-mokotow.pl
- Out-of-school Workplace Center 175, ognisko175.edu.pl
- Out-of-school Workplace Center 70, opp70.pl

Warsaw - Ochota

- III Jordan Garden, ogrodjordanowski3.szkolnastrona.pl
- Interschool Sports Center No 7, mosochota.waw.pl
- Ochota Youth Cultural Centre, mdkochota.edu.pl
- Out-of-school Workplace Center, oppochota.superszkolna.pl (including Polish language lessons for foreigners)

Warsaw - Wola

- Interschool Sports Center No 6, moswola.pl
- Youth Cultural Centre, mdk.zwpek.pl
- V Jordan Garden, voj.zwpek.pl

Warsaw - Praga-North

- VII Jordan Garden, oj7.edu.pl



Warsaw - Praga-South

- Interschool Sports Center No 2, mos2.pl
- Out-of-school Workplace Center No 1, Jordanek', opp1.waw.pl
- Out-of-school Workplace Center No 2 named Henryk Jordan, opp2.waw.pl
- Out-of-school Workplace Center No 3, opp3.waw.pl
- Out-of-school Workplace Center No 4, opp4.waw.pl

Warsaw – Śródmieście (City Centre)

- Interschool Sports Center No 1, Agrykola', tiny.pl/wqjm5
- Youth Cultural Centre named Władysław Broniewski, mdk.waw.pl
- Youth Cultural Centre 'Muranów' named Cyprian Kamil Norwid, mdk-muranow.waw.pl
- The Youth Centre 'Pałac Młodzieży', pm.waw.pl
- The 'Nowolipki' State Centre of Arts, nowolipki.edu.pl
- Capital Centre for Cultural Education, scek.pl

Warsaw - Targówek

- VIII Jordan Garden, oj8targowek.eduwarszawa.pl/

Warsaw - Żoliborz

- Out-of-school Workplace Center 'Żoliborz', oppzoliborz.waw.pl

Cultural centres (community centres)

Youth culture centres, out-of-school workplaces and Jordan gardens operate as part of the capital's education system and their offerings are aimed exclusively at children and young people, while neighbourhood culture centres have a wide range of additional offerings for adults and senior citizens. They are often modern institutions where people can learn foreign languages (and Polish too!), do urban gardening, learn how to use computers, practise yoga or aerobics or watch a theatre play.

Participation in activities often involves a small fee, but there is also a free offer available. For full information on Warsaw's cultural centres, visit nadajemykulture.pl.

Places of Local Activity

There are more than 100 Places of Local Activity (MAL) in Warsaw. They are run by NGOs, libraries and cultural/community centres, and their idea is to create and strengthen neighbourhood ties and local social life. In a MAL you can play board games, read a book or take part in cooking together. These places are also open to grassroots initiatives of Warsaw residents – if you want to share stories about your country, language and culture, MAL is a great place for that!

A map of MALs can be found at: um.warszawa.pl/waw/sasiedzka/lista-mal.



Events for families and children – festivals, picnics, workshops

It is a good idea to find out about free events, which are often organised by neighbourhood councils or cultural institutions such as museums. There are several websites that bring this offer together in one place:

- waw4free.pl/warszawa-darmowe-dzieci
- miastodziesci.pl/warszawa
- kidsinthecity.pl (English language service)
- warszawa19115.pl/szukasz-informacji/kultura-turystyka-sport/wydarzenia-kulturalne (city information portal)

Additional offers

- One of the most attractive places for children in Warsaw is the Copernicus Science Centre (CNK). Consider enrolling your child in the Copernicus Club (cost: PLN 220 per year). As part of the membership, the child and an adult (does not have to be named) have unlimited entry to the CNK for the whole year.
- The AKS Zły Academy is a football class for the youngest children run by a football club that has been supporting migrants and refugees in Warsaw for years: akademia.aks-zly.pl.
- An interesting offer for young people has been prepared by INCLSV BUZZ - a place open to young refugees, religious and cultural minorities: facebook.com/inclusive.buzz.
- The Multicultural Centre is a place that supports the integration of migrants with the Warsaw residents. Free activities for children often take place there - keep an eye on the website centrumwielokulturowe.waw.pl/kalendarz.



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