

ENGLISH RIVIERA GEOPARK

24th May – 1st June

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Focal point	Activities / events
1. Geo & Geo	<p>- Desert Landscapes Walk Sun 1 June Walk with John Risdon from Paignton Seafront to Saltern Cove to unravel the mysteries of “fruitcake” rock, fossils in the sand and missing time. Return to Paignton Seafront on foot or by bus. Meet: Outside Tourist Information Center, Paignton seafront Time: 10am to 1pm Cost: Adults £3.50</p> <p>-Step back in time Tues 27 May Follow Bishops Walk with a ranger looking at Torbay’s dramatic geological and cultural heritage. Meet: Anstey’s Cove car park Time:10am to 12pm Cost: Adult £3.50, Children £2</p> <p>- Wildflower Evening Walk Thursday 29 May Discover the white rock rose, orchids and other wildlife with site manager Nigel Smallbones Meet: Berry Head Visitor Centre Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm Cost: Adult £3.50, Children £2 Booking: Essential</p>
2. Geo & Relish	
3. Geo & Arts	<p>World Sand Sculpture Festival To be launched during Geopark Week Open Everyday June to September Coming to the English Riviera for the first time. The best sand sculpture artists from around the world will unite to create this stunning new attraction, showcasing their remarkable skills. The themed sand sculpture park, one of the biggest in Europe, will take a month to create and attract tourists from across the globe. Interestingly, scientists have discovered that the English Riviera is blessed with the best sand in the UK for building sandcastles, so don’t forget your bucket and spade! Venue: Broadsands, Paignton</p> <p>- Art exhibition at Cockington Court Sat 24 May to Sun 1June Local artists display their work inspired by the Geopark. Venue: Cockington Court Cost: Free</p>
4. Geo & Culture/Music/ Literature	<p>Dry Stone Walling Course Sat/Sun 24/25 May Use different styles techniques and motars, learning the skill of repairing and building traditional stone walls Meet: to be confirmed Time: 10am to 4pm Cost £50 or free if you join the Soil Association (bring packed lunch) Booking: Essential on 01803 606035</p> <p>Flint and Fire Sun 25th May Karl Lee, one of the country’s leading Prehistoric Technologist will be demonstrating the ancient art of flint knapping and fire making. Meet: Kents Cavern Prehistoric Caves Time: 10-3pm Cost: FREE</p>

	<p>Booking: Not required</p>
5. Geo & Action/Sports	<p>-Walking Festival Sat 24 May to Fri 30 May Lead Walks throughout the Geopark all week – more details to follow</p> <p>- Beach Clean at Churston Cove Saturday 31 May Help us to keep this beautiful cove clean Meet: Churston Cove Time: 10am to 12noon Cost: Free</p>
6. Geo & Kids	<p>Go Coral Crazy! Mon 26 May Hunt for fossilised coral on the beach and make your own coral reef fish money box. It's International Year of the Reef too! (all children must be accompanied by an adult) Meet: The Seashore Centre Time: 1pm to 3pm Cost: Children £2, Adults free</p> <p>Fossil Giants Tues 27 May Come and see some of the fossils in the museums collections and have a go at moulding model fossils in clay (intended for children aged 8-12, younger children must be accompanied by an adult) Meet: Torquay Museum Time: 1.30pm to 3pm Cost: Normal museum admission plus £1 per child for materials Booking: Call 01803 293975 to avoid disappointment.</p> <p>- Trash or Treasure Day Wednesday 28 May A fun-packed day of activities for the whole family, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch of new Torbay Reusable Bags designed by local children • Scrappy Workshops • What are we doing to our world children's activity Meet: The Seashore Centre Time: 10am to 3.30pm Cost: Free Sponsored by Torbay Council</p> <p>Crystals Rock Thurs 29 May Explore the difference between rocks and minerals and look at some beautiful crystals. Then have a go at sorting out a geological puzzle. Meet: Torquay Museum Time: 1.30pm to 3pm Cost: Normal museum admission plus £1 per child for materials Booking: Call 01803 293975 to avoid disappointment</p> <p>Geopark kids Fri 30 May Help to create a giant sand art picture, scavenge the shore and use natural materials found on the beach today to create a picture of the amazing tropical seas of our past. Meet: Seashore Center Time: 10am to 12pm Cost: Children £2 Adults Free</p>
7. Geo & EGN	<p>- English Riviera Geopark /EGN Exhibition 24 May to 1 June Venue: Cockington Court Time: 10am to 4pm Cost: Free</p>