

children's events...

Southend Carnival Junior Prince and Princess Competition

The **First Southend Carnival Junior Prince / Princess Competition** will take place on **Tuesday 18th August** in the **Kursaal Function Suite** on **Southend Seafrost**.

Registration opens at 10.30am with the event kicking off at 11am.

This is the first time such an event has been run. The winning boy and girl will be crowned Prince and Princess of Southend Carnival 2009. Their prize will include **riding in the Grand Illuminated Parade in the open top bus** with the Mayor and other dignitaries, each with an accompanying adult, tiara and sash for the Princess and crown and trophy for the Prince.

The children will be asked various questions by our judges about themselves, in a process similar to the selection of our older court, but which is appropriate for their age.

Competitors must be over 8 years and under 12 on the day of the competition. A fee of £2.00 is charged to cover administration costs. A responsible adult must accompany the competitor at all times. Children entering must be available on **22nd August from 6.30pm** and live in the Borough of Southend.

teddy bear's picnic...

This year's **Teddy Bear's Picnic** will be held in **Priory Park** and looks set to feed the hungry tummies of even the largest of bears!

Children are invited to attend with their **furry guest** of honour from **11.30am on Wednesday 19th August immediately before the Children's Fancy Dress competition.**

Everybody can take part as long as they have a furry friend accompanying them. **Games and entertainment will be aimed at the under 7's** and children aged 3 years to 7 years are invited. There is a fee of £3.00 per entry and numbers are limited to 150 entrants, so make sure those sleepy bears are on time.

Please bring your own picnic. Party games for the children plus a free **Goody Bag** will be provided for all attendees. **All teddy bears can be entered into a competition** judged by the Carnival Court. Categories include:

- Teddy that looks most like its owner
- Most loved Teddy
- Teddy the Carnival Queen would like to own

the land of make-believe



Bring a picnic

children's fancy dress...

This year's **Fancy Dress Competition** takes place on **Wednesday 19th August** in **Priory Park**. Registration begins at **12.30pm**, judging starts at 1.30pm.

This event has grown in size over the past few years and saw **over 50 competitors** take part last year. A high standard in costumes was seen last year.

Children **under the age of 13** on the date of the competition are invited to take part. Entries are accepted from individuals, pairs, groups, best fancy dress child and guardian, and decorated wheeled entrant.

A fee of £2.00 is charged for each class entered. Every entrant enters the Carnival Courts Choice Class and the youngest entrant will receive a trophy.



Entries to this competition can also take part in the **Illuminated Procession on the 22nd August** but first you will need to complete a procession application form. You should note that all people under the age of 16 must be accompanied in the **Illuminated Procession** by a named adult.

Further information on these events and application forms for the procession can be downloaded from **www.southendcarnival.org.uk**. Alternatively please contact Alan or Ian Jones on **01702 616101** after 6pm. Application forms can also be requested from the carnival website or the Tourist Information Centre, Pier Foyer.



Priory Park



Lots of fun!

Bouncy Castle Fun Days

There will be **Bouncy Castle Fun Days** in Priory Park on **Tuesday 18 August, Wednesday 19 August and Thursday 20 August**. Each day there will be 2 sessions of 2.5 hours at 11am and 2pm and entrance will be £5.

