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Leeds Castle and Little People, BIG DREAMS Unite to Bring History's Most Inspiring Women To Life In New Interactive Summer Trail

12 incredible stories. One great adventure. Follow the trail. Discover your BIG dream!

This summer, Leeds Castle has launched an exclusive partnership with the internationally acclaimed children's book series *Little People, BIG DREAMS*, as its historic grounds are transformed into an immersive, educational experience. The newly opened outdoor trail honours history's most influential scientists, athletes, artists, and activists, translating their remarkable achievements into interactive, hands-on activities designed to inspire curiosity.

Now running throughout the school holidays until 31st August 2026, the trail features 12 dedicated activity stations inspired by 12 extraordinary women. From stepping into Marie Curie's Science Lab to shaking, it off at Taylor Swift's rhythm zone, testing goalkeeping skills just like Mary Earps to making some noise for change with Emmeline Pankhurst - every stop is an adventure waiting to happen. The full lineup of 12 trailblazers can be found at <https://www.leeds-castle.com/LPBD>.

Mark Delin, Marketing & Events Director at Leeds Castle Foundation, said: "Leeds Castle has been shaped by remarkable women for over 900 years - from the medieval queens who made it their home to Lady Baillie, whose vision transformed it into the estate it is today. Partnering with Little People, BIG DREAMS feels like a natural continuation of that legacy. This trail gives the next generation the chance to discover the women who changed the world, right here on the grounds where history was made. We couldn't be more proud to bring it to life."

From medieval queens to the 20th century visionary Lady Baillie, remarkable women have shaped Leeds Castle for over 900 years. Their courage, creativity and ambition

are written within the very fabric of the estate. This summer, that legacy continues – and a new generation of dreamers are invited to be a part of it.

Included with general admission, the trail is designed for families with children of all ages and is the must-do experience in Kent this summer.

Event Details: **Little People, BIG DREAMS – Inspiring Women Trail**

- Wednesday 22nd July to Monday 31st August 2026
- Included in annual admission ticket
- Online tickets from £34.50 (adult) | £24.50 (child) | £115.00 (family: 2 adults, up to 3 children).
- Book at leeds-castle.com/product/admission-tickets
- Find out more at: leeds-castle.com/LPBD

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Notes to Editors:

Images available here: <https://we.tl/t-k4feXzgmCCvrnvVi>

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About Leeds Castle Foundation

Leeds Castle is considered a national treasure, providing a window onto over nine hundred years of British history. It is a haven of tranquillity and offers a wealth of discovery and enjoyment for all ages.

Situated five miles southeast of Maidstone in Kent, Leeds Castle's rich and riveting history, including serving six of England's medieval queens, to its elaborate transformation into a glamorous 1930s country house retreat for the influential and famous by Anglo-American heiress, Lady Olive Baillie, secures its place as one of the most visited historic attractions in Britain.

The Castle and its estate is preserved and maintained by the Leeds Castle Foundation, a not-for-profit charity.

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