

Family Fun

Discover a world of Enjoyment

East Belfast is made for kids, with a wonderful range of attractions which all the family can enjoy. You could spend a whole holiday at the amazing Odyssey Pavilion in Queen's Island so you'll have to set a cracking pace today. Start off at the multi-award winning interactive discovery centre, W5, where the kids will be having so much fun they won't realise how much they're learning! There's something for all ages, including building houses, exploring castles and outer space, racing cars, lighting up lasers and bringing robots to life!

If the kids have any energy left don't miss the state-of-the-art tenpin bowling and amusements at the Odyssey (or relax with a family movie at the luxurious Storm multi-screen complex). You can take a pit stop at the atmospheric American styled diner, Soda Joe's. From Friday at 4pm, and on the weekends, kids can also make, decorate and take home their own chocolate bars from the Chocolate Workshop there (or you could take them to Aunt Sandra's Candy Factory to see sweets made in the traditional way – see 'The way we were'. Look out for the Belfast Giant's ice hockey games at the adjacent Odyssey Arena too.

Refreshed and refuelled, it's time for the family to head out towards Dundonald for a fabulous trio of attractions for all ages, all within a short space of each other. At the working dairy farm, Streamvale Open Farm, kids can get back to nature, meeting a range of animals up close, watching cows being milked and the animals' feeding time, taking nature trails and barrel and tractor rides, picking fruit in season and so much more. There's a fabulous café too. It's closed in January, February and November. Call 028 9048 3244 for opening hours.

Now it's time to let the kids loose at Dundonald Ice Bowl, Northern Ireland's only Olympic sized ice rink, perfect for experienced skaters and beginners alike. But that's just part of the story. There's also 30 lanes of tenpin bowling, with the amazing 'Extreme Bowling' experience, with atmospheric lighting and glow in the dark flooring. Younger children will be captivated by Indiana Land, one of the largest indoor play worlds in Northern Ireland, where they'll find slides, rope bridges, tunnels and ball swamps, and plenty of padded mats!

That's still not the end of your family fun! Step next door to the exciting Pirates Adventure Golf, 36 holes of incredible US-style crazy golf in the shadow of a fully rigged pirate schooner, with waterfalls, fountains, floodlights and the chance to win golden doubloons for a free game.