



Keep it Carnival - have fun and celebrate, enjoy the day!

Be prepared!

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check the weather and ensure that you dress your children appropriately. Wear sensible footwear. It's likely to be hot - bring sun lotion, sunglasses, and a hat! If you have a hand fan – you want to bring that too!
<input type="checkbox"/>	Everyone eats breakfast - Bring snacks with you too. You don't know how long it would be to queue for food and drink.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stay hydrated - Bring bottles of water. There will be water towers available to refill
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plan your journeys. Local roads are likely to be busy and or closed. Carnival ends at 10pm – but you may need to think about how long you'll wait for public transport.

Just in case.... Do some safety planning

<input type="checkbox"/>	Write your mobile number on a bit of paper/key ring and put it in your child's pocket. If your child has a phone, make sure its fully charged and bring a backup charger
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree meet up points if you get separated - Use the Carnival Map – St Pauls Carnival . Mandela's Hideout (St Agnes) is aimed at children and families and St Pauls Park is aimed at young people.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Take a photo of your child in the morning! Create a lovely memory but also this will help if your child gets lost you can show carnival staff who to look out for.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identify staff or areas where your child where they can help hopefully you wont need this, but just in case – look for the lost/found tents and know how to get there.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bring photographic identification - if your child has been lost and found, event staff will want to verify who you are.



If you are not attending with your child...some extra considerations

<input type="checkbox"/>	Know who your child is with - If your child is going off with friends– make sure you have their friend's parent/carer's contacts.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Set rules and expectations. Check in with your children before they leave home. Talk about worries and how you can reassure yourselves. You can use the corresponding Young Persons Check list to support this conversation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plan getting home - make sure you consider getting home safe. It will be a busy day and you may not be able to pick them in the local area due to road closures.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Communicate throughout the day - Get them to send you selfies and regularly message – if they need help know how you can get support.

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