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NEWS is explicitly stated.

an evening's entertainment "For the first time in their lives every one of these pupils has faced a challenge without running away. The change them individually. and collectively, ha been astounding." participating teacher 2011 - participating teacher, 2011 "What a fantastic organisation ... it wa the authors and not necessaril those of **PARENTS NEWS**. truly inspiring to see local children We hope mums and dads enio engaging with the articles be interested by Shakespeare and Calendar (finding it useful), clearly benefiting and use the advertisers. Any endorsement by PARENTS from the experienc

- Parent of

participating student

## Blowing the Whistle on the **General Dental Council.**

Orthodontics has one of the worst scientific records of all medical tree known about the cause or cure of crocked teeth; but despite this, orthodontists use 'Train Tracks' and surgery to straighten them. Unfortunately these have been found to damage he enamel and roots of the teeth, flattening the face, leaving lined eyes with big noses Methods are based on trial and error and there is little evidence to show that the longform results are beneficial. Patients nearly always lose between four and eight permanent teeth but are often not warned of this in advance. Worse still the teeth ge procked again unless the patient wears a brace for the rest of their life.

The General Dental Council does not dispute that certain alternatives can provide bette results, but are permitting orthodontists to break the law by not telling patients about more natural methods that can avoid almost all extractions and surgery as well as providing straight teeth.

## There is another way.



## The Queen's Hall Theatre

Cranbrook School The UK's largest Youth Drama 7.30pm. Adults £8 Concession £6. Groups of 20 or more £5.50 Festival is coming to Queen's Hall Theatre, Cranbrook each.Participating Kent schools School Tues Nov 13th & are: Benenden School Cumnor Weds Nov 14th House School Oakley School The Shakespeare Schools Claremont School Cranbrook Festival works in partnership School, Homewood School with the National Theatre to & Sixth Form Centre, The help 700 schools from across Skinners' School. the UK to stage abridged Tickets:

01580 711856 Shakespeare productions in their local professional theatre (Box office part-time) www.queenshalltheatre.co.uk



## November 2012 JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

Dame Trott following last Gemma Sutton steps from the year's acclaimed performance West End production of Legally as Widow Twankey in Aladdin. Blonde to play the beautiful Get ready to boo the Giant's Princess evil henchman Fleshcreep.

played by 'the best baddie in With great dancing, music the business' Jay Worthy, and and songs, comedy, audience prepare to laugh all the way participation, beautiful with comedian Herbie Adams costumes and sets, amazing as Jack's brother, Billy Trott. special effects, and not

Starring Laila Morse

tallest man in Europe!

Friday 7th December

2012 to Sunday 6th

Ashcroft Theatre, Fairfield

pantomime in store at Fairfield

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Halls' Ashcroft Theatre this

millions as Mo Harris in BBC

TV's award-winning series

EastEnders heads the cast of

Jack and the Beanstalk

children's favourite

CReebies presenter

Sid Sloane in the

role of hero Jack,

from Friday 7th

The superb cast also

Europe and Guinness

January

starring as the Fairy with

December to Sunday 6th

features the tallest man in

World record holder Neil

Fingleton who at 7ft 7 56

inches tall plays the mighty

Giant, Ouinn Patrick returns

with a wardrobe of fantastic

costumes as the outrageous

January 2013

There's a GIANT of a

Laila Morse known to

Halls. Crovdon

and Sid Sloane with

Neil Fingleton the



Beanstalk are available from the Fairfield Halls Box Office 020 8688 9291 or online at www.fairfield.co.uk All tickets for performances from Friday 7th to Friday 14th December are £16.50. Performances thereafter are priced £27.50, £24 & £19.50 Adults, and £23.50 £20.50, £19.50 Children & Senior Citizens. Family Ticket (2 Adults & 2 Children) £85. Concessions available for Groups, Schools, Brownies & Cubs NO BOOKING FEE

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#### **Christmas Time** 4

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The tractor is large and impressive with great detailing. My son has played with it all the time it is well built to allow a child of five to use it as a robust toy and has not broken yet!

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or the Heaviest Newborn

Baby?

smaller - the Shortest Woman

In addition to the new features

are the fascinating superlatives

that you have come to expect

## Dubble Trubble

Daniel Galvin Jr. an expert hair colourist and Ambassador of the Princess Trust, has launched an organic product line, 'Dubble Trubble', a collection of five pH balanced www.tomy.co.uk hair and body washes and detangling mist, all utilising organic botanical extracts. Prince Charles approached

WIZARD OF OZ Daniel personally to create an affordable organic product line for the masses, which Dubble Trubble is costing £2.99 per This brilliant range is packed

with 5 fruity 2in1 Shampoo & Body Washes, including wonderful Cherry Bomb and Bananaberry fragrances and a Cool Cucumber Detangling Spray. The whole range is hypo-allergen. Waggle Tagzexclusively at orrisons nationwide, the

Performances are from sales of the products will help Tuesday 18 - Monday 24 raise 5p from every product sold will be donated to The standard £11 child Family Prince's Trust with the aim of securing a massive £25,000 for the fantastic charity! Hhead down to your local Morrisons.

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## November 2012

Sutton Theatres.....

.... two venues four Christmas Polka Dot Pantomimes brin productions with something two wonderful productions suitable for everyone. to the Charles Cryer Studio Theatre for the younger At the Secombe Theatre return audience members to enjoy of Polka Dot Pantomimes

bring their fantastic production THE ELVES AND THE of THE WONDERFUL SHOEMAKER The delightful story of The Join Dorothy and her friends. Elves and the Shoemaker Scarecrow. Tin Man and, of is brought to life as we go course. Cowardly Lion as they on an adventure to find true battle with good and evil, and happiness and friendship in this a particularly nasty witch in sparkly Christmas story order to find a brain, a heart,

courage and a home. With Also at the Charles Crver Munchkins, monkeys and Studio Theatre the ever popular show for tiny audience magic this wonderful story is the perfect festive treat for members returns ALL I WANT FOR audiences of all ages. This production is a pantomime and CHRISTMAS. is not based on musical, stage Daisy the doll, Belle the or film versions of the story. ballerina and a lovely cuddly bear come to life to help Father Christmas deliver some presents for a very special December. Tickets are £13 guest! It's Christmas Eve and all through the house, nothing Ticket of Four £44 (2 adults 2 is stirring except ... the toys on children) Schools £8 (19th & their magical quest. 20th Dec only) Schools offer 1 This special interactive show free ticket for every 10 booked is designed with our younger Group of 20+ £11 per ticket. audience members in mind so

Suitable for age 6-106. they can experience first-hand the wonder of live theatre The Rat Pack return with their Both productions run from show Rat Pack at Christmas Saturday 8 December until in what is still the hottest party Christmas Eve around. Wonderful memories Tickets for The Elves and of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin The Shoemaker are £10 and Sammy Davis in a totally standard. £8 for children with a schools rate £7.50 (selected live production that continues to be successful worldwide. performances only) with 1 free Every song is an absolute school ticket free for every 10 classic - Come Fly with Me, booked and is suitable for 5-8 Volare, Under My Skin, Mr vear olds. Tickets for All I Want for Bojangles, Lady is A Tramp, Christmas are £7.50 standard Mack The Knife plus many more of your favourites and and £5 for children and the endless hanky panky and show is suitable for 0-5 year

olds Show times vary see website Performances are on Friday 28 www.suttontheatres.co.uk or call the Box Office on and Saturday 29 December at 8pm with tickets £20 020 8770 6990



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## November 2012

special gifts

gift labels.

## Waggle Tagz

With this magical Tagz studio. Perfect for kids aged six and up this fun craft kit includes: decorate and personalise printed images, then transform them into cool 3D, motion and morphing images! Pop on a strap and tag your books, bags, pencil case or My daughter had great fun decorate and personalise

printed images, then transform Tagz make great ID cards and invitations or can be used on them into 3D motion images with the transforming lenses. Ideal to tag her books, bags, Decorate and personalise cool pencil case 3D pictures with Waggle Tagz studio. Simply choose a card and add stickers or a message Then laminate it and tag a on

pencil case, bag or bedroom door. Waggle Tagz also make great ID cards, invitations and







decorations, archery, children's activities & traditional Tudor entertainment, suitable for all

MADE12, Brighton's original & often quirky work for Christmas gifts, entrance under 13s FREE.

0175 386 8286 A Victorian family Christmas visitors will see how Oueen Victoria & Prince Albert celebrated Christmas at Windsor with their young family



Christmas Time

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## WITH THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS MUST-HAVE TOYS

Pre-schoolers:

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- Baby Jake Giggle n Wiggle £29.99
- Little Charley Bear: Ready, Teddy Gol £29.99 • Cloudbabies: Glow Babas £24.99
- Everything's Rose: Sweet Dreams Rosie & Raggles £29.99

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- Tiny Tears (Classic) £19.99
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- WaggleTagz £17.99
- Cabbage Patch Kids £29.99 AniMagic: Tessie Goes Trotting - £22.99
- Moshi Monsters: Super Moshi HQ £24.99
- Crayola Catwalk Creations: House of Fashion £29.99
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- Winx: Deluxe Dolls £19.99

## Boys:

LEGO Monster Fighters: Vampyre Castle - £79.99

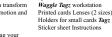


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## **Out & About**



-Smiley Faces music group for babies & toddlers for up to 2vrs & 2-4vrs, there is also a playroom for under 5's, a café

& a crèche

10-11 Nov-Michelham Priory Hailsham-East Sussex

Santa's grotto, children's activities, Christmas decorations & music. with food demonstrations.

the family. 23-25 Nov-Corn Exchange-Church Street-Brighton 0870 060 6632

Design & Craft Fair perfect opportunity to purchase

Dec-6 Jan-Windsor Castle

Big Farm John Deere 6210R Overall this is a great toy that will keen tractor fans amused for hours. Suitable for ages 3+

## Please call before you go and please mention **PARENTS NEWS** www.parents-news.co.uk

Daily South Norwood Recreation Ground Car Green Road 020-8760 5707 Fitness Trails for adults & children of all fitness levels to get fit & keep fit. Positioned at each toddlers, FREE, exercise station are signs showing the exercise to be undertaken with the suggested number repetitions Ongoing Dupass Hill Outdoor Gym Each item has clear instruction for its use over 12's. very Mon Blenheim Children & Family Centre Bromley 01689 ues. Wed & Fri morn verv toddlers activities Every Mon Lloyd Park 020 8726 6000 Health walk circular through Lloyd Park & Shirley on mainly flat terrain, ideal for beginners, 2 miles & Computer training courses for last approx 1hr, meet 11am FREE beginners to experts. & same walk on potentially hilly Every Tues De Staffords Leisure Centre Caterham 01883 344355 terrain, 3+miles ideal for advanced walkers, 2pm, FREE, Ew Family Swim. Park run, FREE weekly timed 5k Every Tues Riddlesdown Circular run, need to register first. Every Mon Parchmore

Walk 020 8726 6000 x64952 Health walk 2-3miles 11am at Community Centre 53-55 Parchmore Road 020 8726 6000 very Wed Sanderstead Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart rhymetime x88965 Circuit for those new to babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, exercise, returning after illness & 18mths+vrs, Storytime 2 1/2 +vrs the more mature exerciser. Every Tues Coulsdon Library 020 Fortnightly Rock & Rhyme for preschool children FREE

8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for very Wed Unitarian Church 1 babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, The Flyover 020 8726 6000 x88965 Storytime, 2 Zumba Latin inspired dance music 1/2+vrs, Every Sat Storytime, under & rhythms, all abilities 7's, FREE Every Wed & Sat Millennium

Every Tues Ashburton Library Arena Battersea Park 020 8871 02087266900BookstartRhymetime 7542 Drop in tennis sessions, 5-8,9for babies & toddlers Every Thurs 15yrs. Wiggle & Jiggle for toddlers. Every Thurs Norbury Park and on Chatterbooks drop in sessions. Norwood Grove 020 8726 6900 A 8-11yrs. Every Sat Rock & Rhyme circular walk through Norbury Park for babies & toddlers. E & Norwood Grove, 2-3 miles, meet at Norbury Train Station, 1.30pm, Social club for older people for a chat & a cup of tea.

term time only storytime for under around the park to learn about these 7's. FREE nsects, 07968 832508. Every Tues Purley Library 020 Every Thurs Selsdon Baptist 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime Chuch Addington Road 020 8726

for babies & toddlers & Wiggle 6000 x88965 Circuits Low intensity & Jiggle, toddlers over 18mths. for mature exerciser Fri Storvtime 2 1/2+vrs, Ever Every Thurs South Norwood Rock & Rhyme for babies & Leisure Centre 164 Portland Road 020 8726 6000 x88965 Aquacise Every Tues Centrale Shopping sessions. Centre Croydon www.centrale. co.uk In the Early Learning Centre " Fri of every month Bergundy & Black Café St Martins Walk playtime sessions for children, all Dorking Bumps & Babies is for ages with all kinds of arts & arts mums with bumps & both parents from making face masks, cards, or carers of non mobile babies, meet painting, colouring or just play, others for tea or coffee & get your FREE, 10-12pm, 020 8686 7535. baby socialising, www.nct.org.uk/ branches/dorking/events/bumps-Tues Thornton Heath Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart and-babies. 3rd Mon of every month Rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Nappuccino a natter about nappies FREE Every Tues Careers training as an alternative to disposables advice sessions, 2-4.30pm, FREE Every Fri Pavillion Leisure

Centre Kentish Way Bromley 020 8313 9911 Families & under 11's Roller Disco sessions, 4,30-5,45pm & Families & under 16's Roller Disco sessions with full skate & safety equipment provided, doors open 6.15pm, Tel: 07970 266790. very Fri Bradmore Green group. Library Old Coulsdon 020 8726 6000 X64952 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 2-4vrs, Every Mon Storytime 1/2+yrs & Chatterbooks reading

roup for 8-11yrs. Fortnightly Every at Rhymetime, FREE ... Every Fri Broad Green Library 8726 6900 Bookstart 020 Rhymetime 0-5yrs, Fortnightly Sat Rock & Rhyme for pre-school children Every Wed Arty Crafty computers drop in sessions for under 5's, parents & carers, FREE. very Fri South Norwood Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers. Every Tues Wiggle & Jiggle, 2-4yrs. Alternate Sat Rock & Rhyme

FREE, 21 Aug Butterfly Walk, 2 hrs or Storytime FREE very Fri Shirley Library 020 8253 1023 Bookstart rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle for 18mths+, Every Thurs Storytime

Rhyme for babies & toddlers. Monthly story & craft workshops, 5-10yrs. Fri New Addington Library 020 8253 1023 Bookstart Rhymeitme for babies & toddlers & Wiggle & Jiggle, 18mths+, FREE. Every Fri Norbury Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime Every Thurs Wiggle & Jiggle Sat Rock & Rhyme followed by Storytime. Last Fri of each month Chatter Books reading

for 2 1/2+yrs. Every Sat Rock &

8-14yrs.

& 10+yrs.

group for 8-12yrs. FREE 10-3.30pm. y Fri Selsdon Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 857381 Sponsored Firewalk event 18mths+. Every Tues Storytime for pre-school children, Every Sat Rock & Rhyme for pre-schoolers. 1st Tues the month Arty Crafty, 4-8yrs or Tel: 01483 412751. plus parents & siblings. Every Sat 10 Nov Concert Hall Fairfield 020 8688 9291 Arthur Davison Family noon teenage reading group. Last Thurs of month adult reading Concert, animal magic featuring

Peter and the Wolf 18 Nov Spirit of Fri Waddon Ponds & the Dance. 19 Nov Sleeping Beauty, Wandle Park 020 8656 5947 Russian State Ballet, 20 Nov Swan Circular walk through Waddon Lake ballet. 25 Nov LDN Wrestling Ponds & Wandle Park, 2-3 miles, for all the family. Nov Elmbridge Museun meet outside Lidl, 11am, FREE Every Fri Thornton Heath 01932 843573 Blackout, finding out how Elmbridge residents whiled Leisure Centre 89-110 High Street 020 8726 6000 x88965 Aquacise away the hours during the Blitz

of WWII with family arts & craft pay as you go sessions. activities, puzzles & tricks. 10 Nov Guildford Cathedral Thurs Croydon Sports College Croydon High School 020 8726 6000 x88965 Circuits Low 01483 547870 Winter Market & Fair, FREE entry, 11-4pm. intensity for mature exercisers Every Sat The Green Dragon 58-10 Nov Sandown Park Racecourse 01372 470047 Blue Square Bet 60 High Street Croydon 020 8667 Gentlemen's Day 0684 Storytime for 3-7yrs, drop in 2hr session with stories, puppets Nov Horseshoe Community

arts activities & songs, FREE. Every Sat Electric Theatre Onslow Pre-School Banstead 07814 791528 Christmas Bazaar with Street Guildford 01483 homemade cakes & refreshments 444789 Little Sparks in the Café Bar stalls selling new products as well

with music, games, songs, stories & puppets & Sparkles Dance drop in as handcrafted gifts, teddy tombola & the Glamour Girlz makeover stal classes for 5-9yrs. Every Mon & & lots more. For children there

Tues after school The Man in The Moon Weekly drama workshops will be a range of fun activities t include face painting, bouncy castl 6-14vrs, Every Wed All Star Choir, & craft activities FREE entry 10 Nov Epsom Playhouse Ashley Every Sat morn Norman Park Hayes Lane Bromley Kent 020 Avenue 01372 742555 Charles Dickens, Mr Micawber. 8460 5291 Soccer School 4-6 7-9

Buddy Holly - A Legend Reborn. Every weekend in Nov Polesder 0 Nov Bourne Hall Ewell Village Lacey Dorking 01372 452048 020 8393 9571 Christmas Fayr lots of stalls with jewellery, gifts Sneak Peak House Tours. 9 Nov Garsons 01372 461869 & crafts, baby momentos, stocking fillers & much more plus raffles & Christmas Craft & Gift Fair selling a wide range of Christmas craft gifts tombolas as well as face painting & entertainment for the children plus homemade cake & food stalls. Father Christmas will be on hand 9 Nov Brooklands Museum 01932 with presents All proceeds to Shooting Star Chase, entry children

raising funds & awareness for the Surrey Care Trust, to sign up visit FREE. 0 Nov Leatherhead Theatre 01372 365141 The Magic of the etrust.co.uk/firewall

Beatles show celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their very first hit v Oliver the mus 11 Nov Kempton Park Racecourse 020 7269 9006 Heathrow Aircraft Enthusiasts Fair, collectors fair offering thousands of aircraft related collectable items to include books models, kits, magazines, DVD's & lots more Tel: 01372 725063

v Dorking Halls 01306 881717 Swan Lake performed by the Russian State Ballet. 11.18 Nov Clandon Park 01483

222482 Join the housekeeper on a tour of the servants spaces, NT members FREE, 2 Dec Christmas Regency Ball with food taster games & period dressing up for all the family. 13 Nov South Norwood Country

Park 020 8726 6900 Histor of South Norwood Country Park leisurely stroll through the park learning about the sites varied history 15-18 Nov Loselev House Guildford 01483 304 440 Christmas Fair

bringing together talented makers

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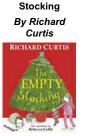


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preserve and re-style clothes centre on Lenham Cottages, from the era. She will also former railway workers' home demonstrate war-time cookery. rescued from the path of the



rebuilt at Kent Life. One of the cottages has been converted to recreate life in the Second World War, with sticky tape on the windows to reduce bomb blast damage, a bathtub with water ration line and a mangle to do the washing. An Anderson Shelter has been built in the garden, to show visitors how families sheltered from bombing raids.

A one-day ticket for the Christmas on the Home Front event costs £7 for adults. £6 for concession £5 for children aged 3 to 15. Under-threes go free. From 5 November to 31 January 2013, normal admission prices to Kent Life are £5 adults, £4 concessions and £3 children. Kent Life members visit for free. Seasonal variations and closures apply during December and January

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7.45pm for 8 pm start until 9.15 pm Venue: The Spires Academy, Bredlands Lane, Westbere, Sturry, Canterbury. CT2 OHD (just off the A28) The new school is on the opposite side of Bredlands Lane to the old school. There's no need to book a seat. A £3 donation from non-members would be appreciated. For further information phone 0845 0038 979

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## Senior School Scholarships for September 2013:

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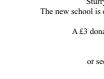
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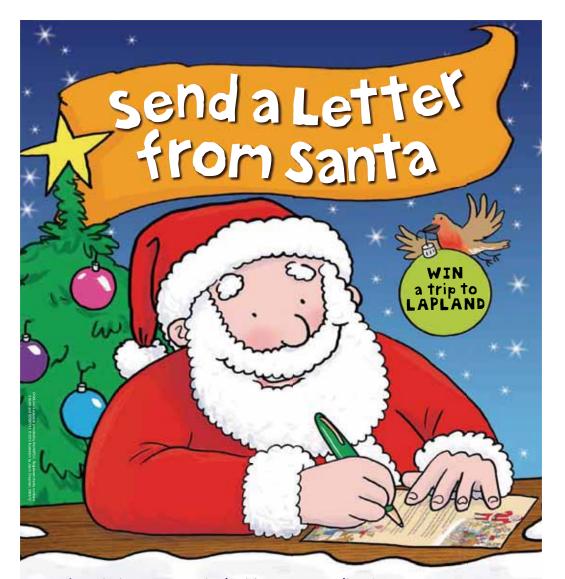
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of Seasonal Traditions in English Homes exhibition 1 Dec Nursery Rhyme Time Christmas Fun listen to stories, sing festive songs & make Christmas decorations suitable families 2-5yrs Weekene craft activities for children will be on offer

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offer from 3pm. Meet Santa in his grotto from 6pm who will be telling stories & giving away Christma sweets, visitors can also post their wish list in his postbox. This year one lucky child will have the chance to be part of the magic & help turn life, 6+vrs, FREE, 11,18,25 on the Christmas Lights. The event s FREE & will be in support of the Princes Foundation for Children & The Arts.

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