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> starring as the Fairy with children's favourite, CBeebies presenter Sid Sloane in the role of hero Jack. from Friday 7th December to Sunday 6th January. The superb cast also features the tallest man in

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JACK AND THE BEANSTALK Dame Trott following last Gemma Sutton steps from the

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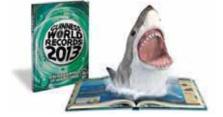
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& toddler club 945-1130am Nappuccino a natter about nappie Every Thurs Tolworth Recreation as an alternative to disposables Centre Fullers Way North Tolworth very Fri Bradmore Green 020-8391 1882 Badminton Club for Library Old Coulsdon 020 8726 intermediate/advanced level, Tel 6000 X64952 Bookstart Rhymetime 020 8395 9175. for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Every Thurs Twickenham Jiggle, 2-4yrs. Every Mon Storytime Library Garfield Road 020 8734 2 1/2+vrs & Chatterbooks reading 3340 Storytime session, under 5's, group for 8-11yrs. Fortnightly Every FREE. 2nd & 4th Thurs of month Sat Rhymetime FREE

Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce Every Fri Broad Green Library & rhyme, FREE. 020 8726 6900 Bookstar Every Thurs Caterham Hill Rhymetime 0-5yrs. Fortnightly or Library Rhymetime, 10am FREE. Sat Rock & Rhyme for pre-school Fri Storytime, 2.15pm children. Every Wed Arty Crafty computers drop in sessions for unde Every Thurs Cheam Leisure 5's, parents & carers, FREE. v Fri South Norwood PARENTS NEWS Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart

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Christmas Craft & Gift Fair selling The Bentalls Centre A Plavologist a wide range of Christmas craft gifts will be on hand to make children plus homemade cake & food stalls, have the best fun possible with ELC 10-3.30pm. products, they can have their faces 9 Nov Brooklands Museum 01932

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decorate a petal to add to the poppy Younger Audiences & The Great Bird Race 8+yrs. 21 Oct Ernest & collage & learn the importance of Remembrance Celestine 6+vrs FRFF 10-11 Nov Imperial War Museum 11,18,25 Nov Eltham Palace Court 020 7416 5439 Drop in activity all Yard 020 8294 2548 Twilight Tours ages with parental supervision. 1 history behind the Art Deco interiors v Ceremony of Remembrance Dec 'Make Do & Mend' quil 2 Dec The Courtaulds at Christma costumed characters prepare the

Jan Hollywood Costume

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