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Christmas Out & About

Chessington Garden Centre Grotto

Santa arrives at **Chessington Garden Centre on Saturday 17th November** to welcome you to his 'Wonderland Grotto'. Your visit will start with a short festive animated film, followed by a magical trip to meet Santa. Along the way you will journey through a wonderland of stunning fairy-tale inspired scenes, starting with an Alice inspired trip down a rabbit hole to the *Mad Hatters* tea party and the *Queen of Hearts* court. It's then on to meet the impulsive *Mr Toad* and other residents of *Toad Hall*, including *Ratty*, *Mole*, *Badger* and the mischievous weasels. Following a rare chance to get to see inside the Elves mystical workshop, you will then travel through an *Icy Winter Wonderland* with ice skating penguins and a polar bear's tea party, before finishing with Santa in his enchanted ice palace. Just follow the links on

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tickets in town this Christmas! Plan for your visit to *Crique Normandie*'s spectacular show in residence at **Chessington Garden Centre from 1st December until 6th January**. With a fantastic, all new, bigger than ever show, including an international cast of acrobats, aerialists, jugglers as well as *Tolly the Clown* with a new side splitting comedy, all hosted in a centrally heated Big Top, this is one show you, your family and friends will not want to miss!

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JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

Dame Trott following last year's acclaimed performance as *Widow Twankey* in *Aladdin*. Get ready to bow the Giant's evil henchman *Fleshoreep*, played by 'the best baddie in the business' **Jay Worthy**, and prepare to laugh all the way with comedian **Herbie Adams** as Jack's brother, **Billy Trott**.

Gemma Sutton steps from the West End production of *Legally Blonde* to play the beautiful Princess.

With great dancing, music and songs, comedy, audience participation, beautiful costumes and sets, amazing special effects, and not forgetting *Daisy* the break-dancing pantomime *Cov*, **Jack and the Beanstalk** promises to be the biggest, best and most spectacular pantomime of all, guaranteeing a magical treat for all the family!



Tickets for Jack and 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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scenes, and easily add special effects, titles and chapter menus. RRP £45.99

Honestech Claymation Studio 3.0 Deluxe can create output in WMV, MPEG1, MPEG2 and high-definition MPEG video resolution up to 1920 x 1080 (requires HD webcam or camcorder). The storyboard allows users to view the frames in sequence for easy editing, and users can add onscreen text, subtitles, sound effects, voice, and background music.

The completed stop-motion video can be converted into MPEG/AVC format so you can watch on your portable device such as iPhone and iPad. The video also can be uploaded onto YouTube and Facebook directly from the software with One-Click option. RRP £39.99



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Christmas Gifts

Christmas Gifts from Mashooq

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Christmas Time

The New Victoria Theatre, Woking

Britain's Got Talent winners, Ashleigh and Pudsey, will make their theatrical debut in the spectacular family pantomime **Dick Whittington at the New Victoria Theatre, Woking** this Christmas. Joining them is TV presenter, entertainer and magician **Stephen Mulhern**. **Dick Whittington** tells the

rag to riches tale of a young man and his cat. Featuring all the traditional pantomime ingredients; sensational songs, a live band, magic, dazzling dance routines, magnificent slapstick comedy and bags of audience participation - **Dick Whittington** is guaranteed to be full of wonder to delight audiences of all ages!

Dick Whittington 7th Dec-6th Jan at the New Victoria Theatre.
Tickets from £12!

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This year, the content is literally exploding off the pages thanks to a new 'Augmented Reality'

(AR) feature. When you see the AR logo in the book simply point your mobile device (Apple or Android) at the page and the record will come to life in a full 3D animation. The world's Largest Shark will leap out of the page, the Shortest Man will stroll across the open book - this exclusive feature has to be seen to be believed.

The 2013 edition also sees the introduction of another exciting feature; 'Infographics'. Running down every page of the book is a strip of illustrated stats, facts, and trivia, designed to engage the reader in a friendly way. See at a glance how record holders compare. Discover the biggest killer - the Largest Snake or the Most

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Dangerous Road? Who'd win in a race - the Fastest Man or the Fastest Sheep? Who's smaller - the Shortest Woman or the Heaviest Newborn Baby?

In addition to the new features are the fascinating superlatives that you have come to expect from **Guinness World Records**; over 3,000 new and updated records with never-before seen photography. Categories that cover the whole spectrum of this spectacular planet, including the First Robot Policeman; Longest Fall Survived in an Elevator; Most Conquests of Mount Everest; First Person to Vomit in Space; Tallest Dog; and the Largest School. Guinness World Records 2013 is the perfect gift for all ages!



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.....will be playing host to a wealth of exciting entertainment this Christmas as the two venues in the Borough become home to four Christmas productions with something suitable for everyone. At the **Secombe Theatre** see the welcome return of the professional pantomime as **Polka Dot Pantomimes** bring their fantastic production of **THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ** to the venue. Join in a pantomime spectacular as this timeless classic comes to life with all the traditional pantomime trimmings. Join Dorothy and her friends, Scarecrow, Tin Man and, of course, Cowardly Lion as they battle with good and evil, and a particularly nasty witch in order to find a brain, a heart, courage and a home. With Munchkins, monkeys and magic this wonderful story is the perfect

festive treat for audiences of all ages. This production is a pantomime and is not based on musical, stage or film versions of the story. Performances are from **Tuesday 18 - Monday 24 December**. Tickets are £13 standard £11 child Family Ticket of Four £44 (2 adults 2 children) Schools £8 (19th & 20th Dec only) Schools offer 1 free ticket for every 10 booked Group of 20+ £11 per ticket. The show is suitable for age 6-106. Following on from their successful visits to the **Secombe Theatre** in recent years **The Rat Pack** return with their show **Rat Pack at Christmas** in what is still the hottest party around. This year they are visiting the venue to celebrate the New Year so why not come along and enjoy festive fun all the way as the **"Purveyors of Cool"** come to town with a sensational show featuring the greatest music of

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So come along have some fun There's sparkle here for everyone The delightful story of **The Elves and the Shoemaker** is brought to life as we go on an adventure to find true happiness and friendship in this sparkly Christmas story Also at the **Charles Crier Studio Theatre: ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS. All I Want For Christmas** tells the story of Daisy the doll, Belle the ballerina and a lovely cuddly bear as they come to life to help Father Christmas deliver some presents for a very special guest! It's Christmas Eve and all through the house, nothing is stirring except... the toys on their magical quest. This special interactive show is designed with our younger audience members in mind so they can experience first-hand the wonder of live theatre Both productions run from **Saturday 8 December** until

Dance Drama & Music

Christmas Eve
Tickets for **The Elves and The Shoemaker** are £10 standard, £8 for children with a schools rate £7.50 (selected performances only) with 1 free school ticket free for every 10 booked and is suitable for 5-8 year olds. Tickets for **All I Want For**

Christmas are £7.50 standard and £5 for children and the show is suitable for 0-5 year olds Show times for the productions vary so either check out the theatre website on www.suttontheatres.co.uk or call the Box Office on **020 8770 6990**

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Every Mon St James's Church Hall Bodley Road 020 8942 2093 Toddler's Group for all parents and toddlers plus siblings in the holidays. **Every Mon Donald Hugh Library** 020 8542 1975 Musical Mayhem for babies & young children. **Every Tues** Storytime. **Every Thurs** Need Help with IT? A dedicated volunteer will be available to provide assistance with a wide range of IT issues, for more info 020 8274 5799. **Every Fri** Rhymetime. **Every Sat** Colliers Wood Chess Club for all ages. **Every Mon Morden Library** 020 8545 4040 Scrabble Club everyone is welcome. **Every Wed** Welcome Mornings with stories & crafts for pre-school children. **1st Thurs** of every month Coffee mornings for all ages. **Every Fri** Storytime 4+ yrs. **1st Fri** of each month Wellbeing drop in sessions, a Wellbeing Coordinator will be on hand to meet you face to face, talk through any issues you may have, sign you up for any upcoming workshops, tell you more about other services available in the borough. Tel: 020 3178 2549. **Every Mon Palrhams Hill Library** 020 8764 5877 Musical mayhem. **Every Mon** Employment Club improve your CV, covering letter, interview skills & more. **Every Thurs** Salsa Dance classes, FREE. **Every Fri** storytimes. **Every Mon Wimbledon Library** 020 8946 7432 Jewellery drop in workshop for adults, FREE. **Every Tues** Purley Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers & Wiggle & Jiggle, toddlers over 18mths. **Every Fri** Storytime 2+ yrs. **Every Sat** Rock & Rhyme for babies & toddlers, FREE. **Every Tues** Central Shopping Centre Croydon www.central.co.uk In the Early Learning Centre

session for all ages. **Every Tues & Thurs** Children's story & rhyme time session. **Every Mon Hampton Library** 020 8734 3347 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE. **1st Thurs** of the month Chatterbooks reading group, 8-9yrs, 4pm, FREE. **Every Mon afternoon** Raynes Park Library Make your own jewellery workshop. **Every Tues** afternoon Story times for under 5's. **Every Thurs** mon Simple Yoga & Meditation Group. **Every Mon eve Corpus Christi School** Chestnut Grove 07956 312920 Aerobics all abilities, 7-8pm. **Every Mon eve Sutton Grammar School** Korball for Beginners for school years 3-12 various times & sessions, email for details info@nomaskor.com. **Every Tues** Coudon Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 2+ yrs. **Every Thurs** Storytime, 2+ yrs. **Every Sat** Storytime, under 7's, FREE. **Every Tues** Ashburton Library 02087266900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers. **Every Thurs** Wiggle & Jiggle for toddlers. **Every Mon** Chatterbooks read in sessions, 8+1yrs. **Every Sat** Rock & Rhyme for babies & toddlers. **Every Wed** Social club for older people for a chat & a cup of tea. **Every Thurs** term time only storytime for under 5's, FREE. **Every Tues** Purley Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers & Wiggle & Jiggle, toddlers over 18mths. **Every Fri** Storytime 2+ yrs. **Every Sat** Rock & Rhyme for babies & toddlers, FREE. **Every Tues** Central Shopping Centre Croydon www.central.co.uk In the Early Learning Centre

playtime sessions for children, all ages with all kinds of arts & crafts from making face masks, cards, painting, colouring FREE, 10-12pm. Tel: 020 9686 7535. **Every Tues Thurston Heath Library** 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers, FREE. **Every Tues** Careers, training & learning advice sessions, 2-4.30pm, FREE & Computer training courses for beginners to experts. **Every Tues De Staffords Leisure Centre** Caterham 01883 344555 Family Swim. **Every Tues Riddlesdown Circular Walk** 020 8726 6900 x49952 Health walk, 2-3miles, meet 11am at 'Good Companions' pub, Hansey Green, FREE. **Every Tues** United Reformed Church Cavendish Hall 020 8949 3402 Sparkles, under 5's, 9-11.30am. **Every Tues Malden Centre** Blagdon Road New Malden 020 83361561 Stay & Play for under 5's. **Every Thurs** young parents drop-in, 1-3pm. **Every Fri** Toy Library, under 5's, 10.30-1.30pm. **Every Tues New Malden Library** 020 8547 6438 Baby & toddler rhyme time up to 8+1yrs. **Every Sat** Rock & Rhyme for babies & toddlers. **Every Wed** Social club for older people for a chat & a cup of tea. **Every Thurs** term time only storytime for under 5's, FREE. **Every Tues** Purley Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers & Wiggle & Jiggle, toddlers over 18mths. **Every Fri** Storytime 2+ yrs. **Every Sat** Rock & Rhyme for babies & toddlers, FREE. **Every Tues** Central Shopping Centre Croydon www.central.co.uk In the Early Learning Centre

school children, FREE. **Every Wed Unitarian Church** The Flyover 020 8726 6000 x88965 Zumba Latin inspired dance music & rhythms, all abilities. **Every Wed** Tolworth Library 37-39 The Broadway 020 8547 6470 Rhyme & storytime for under 5's with simple crafts, FREE. **Every Wed Uxbridge Prep School** 020 8726 6900 x88965 Circuits Low intensity for mature exercisers. **Every Thurs Croydon Sports College** Croydon High School 020 8726 6000 x88965 Circuits Low intensity for mature exercisers. **Every Thurs** South Norwood Leisure Centre 164 Portland Road 020 8726 6000 x88965 Aquatic sessions. **Every Thurs Methodist Church** Hall High St New Malden Park & toddler club, 9.45-11.30am. **Every Thurs Tolworth Recreation Centre** Fullers Way North Tolworth 020-8391 1882 Badminton Club for intermediate/advanced level, Tel: 020 8395 9175. **Every Thurs Twickenham Library** Garfield Road 020 8734 3340 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE. **2nd & 4th Thurs** of month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE. **Every Thurs Caterham Hill Library** Rhymetime, 10am FREE. **Every Fri** Storytime, 2.15pm, FREE. **Every Thurs** Chem Leisure Centre 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers. **Every Tues** Wiggle & Jiggle, 2-4yrs. **Alternate Sat** Rock & Rhyme or Storytime, FREE. **Every Fri Shirley Library** 020 8253 1023 Bookstart rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle for 18mths+. **Every Thurs** Storytime for 2 1/2 yrs. **Sat** Rock & Rhyme for

babies & toddlers. **Monthly** story & craft workshops, 5-10yrs. **Every Fri** New Addington Library 020 8253 1023 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers & Wiggle & Jiggle. **18mths+**. **Every Fri** Northbury Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime. **Every Thurs** Wiggle & Jiggle. **Alternate Sat** Rock & Rhyme followed by Storytime. **Last Fri** of each month Chatter Books reading group for 8-12yrs. **Every Fri** Shelton Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 18mths+. **Every Tues** Storytime for pre-school children. **Every Sat** Rock & Rhyme for pre-schoolers. **1st Tues** of the month Arty Crafty, 4-8yrs plus parents & siblings. **Every Sat** afternoon teenage reading group. **Last Thurs** of month adult reading group. **Every Fri** Waddon Ponds & Wandale Park 020 8656 5947 Circular walk through Waddon Ponds & Wandale Park, 2-3 miles, meet outside Lidl, 11am, FREE. **Every Fri** Thornton Heath Leisure Centre 89-110 High Street 020 8726 6000 x88965 Aquatic pay as you go sessions. **Every Fri** Christ Church Coombe Road 020 8241 9423 Toddler Group for under 5's 9.45-11.15am. **Every Fri** New Malden Baptist Church Kingston 020 8946 7432 New Malden 492 6912 Tadpoles parent & toddler group. **Every Fri** Teddington Library Walgrave Road 020 8734 33045 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE. **Every 2nd** Wed of the month Chatterbooks reading group, 8-9yrs, 4.20pm, FREE. **1st Thurs** of month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE. **Every Fri** New Library Storytime session, under 5's, FREE.

Every Tues Mitcham Library 020 8648 4070 Under 5's Storytime & Craft, fun activity, Free. **Every Thurs** CV & Careers Advice. **Last Thurs** of each month, Coffee Mornings. **Every Fri** Knitting Group, need to bring own needles. **Every Tues** Whitten Library 020 8734 3343 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE. **2nd Thurs** of month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE. **Every Thurs** Hampton Wick Library 020 8734 3358 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE. **2nd Tues** of the month Chatterbooks reading group, 8-9yrs, FREE. **Every Tues** Farham Library www.bookstart.org.uk **Every Tues** 'n' Rhyme, FREE. **Every Tues & Thurs** West Barnes Library 020 8274 5789 Classes for those wishing to learn to use the internet which runs for 6 weeks. **Every Tues** Rendevous Club for over 55's. **Every month** Art Club for children, to put your child's name forward to join need to speak to member of staff in library. **Every Fri** Toddlers Rhyme Time & musical activities, 0-5yrs. **Every Tues-Fri** Dickeringe Adventure Playgroup Dickerage Lane Kingston 020-8942 1707 Parent & Toddler play sessions. **Every Wed** Sanderstead Library 02087266900 Bookstart rhymetime, babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 18mths+yrs, Storytime 2 1/2 yrs+. **Formerly** Rock & Rhyme for pre-

Low Ham Road Kingston 020 8547 6422 Low impact outdoor cardio exercise for all with power walking, jogging & stretching, 10-11am, FREE. **Every weekend** in Nov Polesden Lacey Dorking 01372 452048 Sneak Peak House Tours. **6-10 Nov** New Wimbledon Theatre Broadway Wimbledon 020 8545 7900 Glyndebourne Tour. **8 Nov** Benthalls Centre Kingston 020 8544 6934 The Friends of Princess Alice Hospice invite you to an exclusive shopping evening with champagne & nibbles at L.K. Bennett, tickets cost £10 with a 10% discount offer and FREE gift, 6.30-8.30pm. **9 Nov** Carsons 01372 461869 Christmas Craft & Gift selling a wide range of Christmas craft gifts plus homemade cake & food stalls, 10-3.30pm. **9 Nov** Brooklands Museum 01932 857381 Sponsored Firewalk event raising funds & awareness for the Surrey Car Trust, to sign up visit www.surrey-car-trust.co.uk/firewalk or Tel: 01483 412751. **9 Nov** Charles Croyer Theatre 39 High Street Carshalton 020 8770 4950 Rockstock giving local bands an opportunity to play to appreciative audiences, each event features 4-5 live bands offering something for all ages & tastes in music. **Every Mon & Tues** after school The Man in the Moon Weekly drama workshops, 6-14yrs. **Every Wed** All Star Choir, 8-14yrs. **Every Sat** morn Canbury Park Gardens Kingston Every Sat morn Fitness in the Gardens low impact outdoor cardio exercise for all with power walking, jogging & stretching, 10-11am, FREE. info@AHM-Go.com. **Every Sat** morn Canbury Gardens

Russian State Ballet, 20 Nov Swan Lake. 25 Nov LDN Wrestling for all the family. **10 Nov Hounslow Heath** 020 8577 3664 Heathland Conservation Day, help manage the important heathland habitat by taking part in some scrub bashing. **10 Nov London Wetland Centre** Queen Elizabeth's Walk Barnes 020 8409 4400 Life in Ponds, Pools & Ditches talk. **11 Nov** Wildlife Photography Adventures talk, need to book. **17 Nov** Introduction to Birdwatching, need to book. **Every weekend** Walk with a warden. **Mon, Tues, Thurs & Sat** Guide in the hide (in the Peacock Tower). **10 Nov** Elmbridge Museum 01932 845753 Blackout, finding out how Elmbridge residents whiled away the hours during the Blitz of WWII with family arts & craft activities, puzzles & tricks. **10 Nov** Guildford Cathedral 01483 547870 Winter Market & Fair, FREE entry, 11-4pm. **11 Nov** Sandown Park Racecourse 01372 470047 Blue Square Bet Gentlemen's Day. **10 Nov** Horseshoe Community Pre-School Banstead 07814 791528 Christmas Bazaar with homemade cakes & refreshments, stalls selling new products as well as handcrafted gifts, teddy tombola & the Glamour Girls makeover stall & lots more. For children there will be a range of fun activities to include face painting, bubble castle & craft activities, FREE entry.

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10-11 Nov-Michelham Priory-Hailsham-East Sussex-01232 844030.

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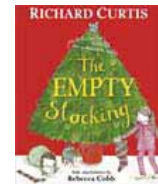
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