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show season kicks off this year with a brand new look Royal Windsor Horse Show Berkshire which takes place on 14-18 May 2014 Already the UK's largest

The UK's biggest outdoor outdoor horse show, Royal horse show introduces new Windsor is reintroducing format and layout, and for the International Dressage and first time ever opens its doors Show Jumping to its schedule to the public for free. after a four year absence and has increased prize money The British summer country to over quarter of a million pounds. What's more, on the first day - which will be known as 'Windsor Wednesday' - the showground will throw open its gates to all visitors completely

free of charge.

Out & About

things equestrian and hosts and Endurance. The Royal Patron of the Show and has attended every single year

Excitement builds for biggest ever Royal Windsor Horse Show Now in its 71st year, the prestigious five-day event held in the spectacular grounds of Windsor Castle, celebrates all international competitions in four equine disciplines: Show Jumping, Dressage, Driving Family hold great affection for the event - HM The Oneen is

and ponies competing at the show. Other members of the Royal Family, including HRH The Duke of Edinburgh and HRH The Princess Royal, have actually taken part in the show's competitions. Show Director Simon Brooks Ward said: "With over 3,500 competitors, Royal Windsor Horse Show has established itself as the biggest national outdoor horse event in the UK. The international competitions. with their attractive prize money, have given the show a huge boost and as a result we expect to attract some top international riders this year. In particular, we hope that some of Britain's best riders will be making an appearance." Another highlight of Royal Windsor are the showing classes, featuring over 30 different types or breeds of horses ranging from miniature Shetland ponies to heavyweight cobs. It is regarded by the equine industry as one of the most important horse shows in the country. As well as the 130 equestrian

since it began in 1943 and she

often has a number of horses

Challenge and Interschool's Jumping Championships. Royal Windsor Horse Show is a fantastic value-for-money competitions that take day out and free admission place during the five-day is offered to all visitors on extravaganza, there will be a Wednesday 14 May. Children feast of rural activities for all also go free Thursday and ages to get involved in such as

For schedule & tickets

May 2014

original Yurt, an old fashioned

Ultradek - a nurnose built 4x4

course which tests the vehicles

to their limit and, of course, the

beautiful grounds of the castle

to enjoy - the only time of the

year that the castle grounds are

There are over 200 shops in

the Shopping Village, selling

a range of goods that cannot

be found on the high street,

Country Lifestyle & Living

Food Heaven and Horses &

Riders. Between competitions

there will be classic displays

including The Musical Ride

Drive - the only occasion where they perform together -

from The Household Calvary

and The King's Troop Musical

as well as the DAKS Pony Club

Mounted Games, the Shetland

Pony Grand National, the

Rahrain Arah Horse Display Young riders from the local

area will be taking each other

on in the University Jumping

www.rwhs.couk

Jewellery and Fashion,

with special sectors including

open to the public.

funfair, the Land Rover

My daughter brings home Parents News in her book bags I always find great things to do with the kids and activities I hadn't previously heard of - thank you. I work for a wonderful children's charity Dreams

Hello Editor

May 2014

Come True

www.dreamscometrue. uk.com

The charity realises the dreams of very sick and terminally ill children. As part of our fundraising activities we organise an annual event - Dream Tea. We're not asking people to host elaborate afternoon teas (though they can if they want to!) but to

many cups of tea a day into a special moment, by adding friends, colleagues, cake and biscuits - and doing a bit of fundraising. Here are some fundraising ideas for Pre-school & primary aged-children •Make it a dress up or MUFTI day £donation per child - theme Dreams Come True colours purple and orange . Double up with a 'Getting to know you' parents social (good for nursery environment) •Turn your Dream Tea into a Teddy Bears' Tea Party/picnic Invite parents to send in donations for a bake sale and auction off any showstopper

cakes

simply turn one of their

·Run a lucky cupcake competition. Pop stars on the underneath of cupcakes. Stars mean prizes! •Get creative, encourage children to design their own

Ben Fogle, Steve Backshall

and Chris Packham join a cast

of 450 animals at Earls Court

One for biggest ever London

The biggest ever London

Pet Show, sponsored by

on 17 and 18 May.

MvPetonline.co.uk which

takes place at Earls Court One

Animal lover and adventure

Ben Fogle presents the first

SuperDogs Live, an exciting

showcase of doggy talent. Pet

owners across the UK are being

encouraged to enter their dogs

www.londonpetshow.co.ul

for the chance to appear on

stage at the London Pet Show

Doggy Dancing, Most Heroid

Categories include Strictly

into the competition now

Pet Show

bunting / posters or invitations to decorate the venue ·Get cooking, the children could bake a large cake to lecorate and share together Everyone could donate XXp for guess the weight ·Have a school bake off. Children invited to bake a cake at home to bring into school. Cakes sold off at the end of the day for a £donation. Have a theme... cake of your dreams or inspired by your favourite

Kind regards.....Niki

Out & About

London Pet Show

Hound and Most Talented Dog. Steve Backshall, star of some of the UK's most exciting wildlife shows, will be bringing some of the world's weirdest animals in a thrilling display in the show's Super Theatre. Springwatch and Autumnwatch presenter Chris Packham will be sharing tips and ways to keep your dog, cat or rabbit free from fleas and ticks in Pet Health Centre with Show sponsors MvPetonline.co.uk. The London Pet Show features hundreds of dog and cat breeds of all shapes and sizes, cute furries, plus plenty of advice from experts on how to keep your pet in tip top condition whether you own a collie or a corn snake

The Landon Pet Show will be divided into different zones - Discover Dogs. Discover Cats, Discover Small Furries, Discover Animals and Discover Aquatics - each with its own feature area with demonstrations talks activities plus advice from leading animal experts and top UK

Tickets are on sale at www.londonnetshow.co.uk or by phone on

0844 873 7332

and cost £17 for adults, £12 for children. Under fives go free. Family tickets and concessions for seniors are also available.





Blowing the Whistle on GDC Scam.

Orthodontists and the General Dental Council are operating an illegal seam to ornaboditists from the General Definal Content are operating as integral sclaim to withhold information from the public about new methods which can avoid almost all extractions and even majorly jaw surgery. This is being done partly to protect traditional methods and partly to preserve the high incomes of orthodomists and surgeons. Research suggests that this British development is being ignored in the UK while spreading rapidly abroad. As a result hundreds of children and young adults have extractions and jaw surgery, unaware they may be unnecessar

Some Orthodontists mislead patients, saying that extractions can be avoided although the traditional methods they use leave too little room, risking severe damage to the face. It is wise to explore the internet yourself, many sites make great claims and show beautiful faces but very few show good results before and after treatment. Even the media is scared of disclosing this scandal.

There is another way.

Take a second opinion now. Nine years old may be too late.

ORTHOTROPICS

Ormodonfics usually requires the extraction of 4 to 8 offhough this is frequently denie

Emily was treated by natural methods No 'Train Tracks'

Research shows Orthotropics can get much better results than 'Train Tracks



When experts isagree, where de a go for answers

you for a

Professor John Mew, Tunbridge Wells 01892 526406 and personal 01435 862045 Email: john.mew@virgin.net



a display of ancient artefacts from Mongolia including an

Biggest Ever Royal Windsor Horse Show

Free admission to all visitors 'Windsor Wednesday' 14 May. Children also go free of charge on Thursday and Friday. Thursday 15 May admission for adults is just £16 and on Friday 16 May it is £19.

For weekend visitors showground entry will be £25 for adults and £10 for children on both days. There are discounts for group bookings and family value tickets of two adults and three children for £60 are available on either Saturday or Sunday.

> For a full schedule or to purchase tickets go to www.rwhs.couk





SHONA REPPE'S THE CURIOUS SCRAPBOOK OF JOSEPHINE BEAN WED 28 MAY - SUN 1 JUN Half-term family show for ages 7+ BOOK NOW 'A truly wonderful show' 0844 847 9910 (The Stage) SOUTHBANKCENTRE.CO.UK



Help us raise money by hosting your own Bake for Bumps cake sale! Thurs 15 - Sun 18 May 2014

Get raising dough for children's health and join in Bake for Bumps between 15-18 May 2014, or choose a date that works for you Bake for Bumps is a delicious way to raise money for Sparks. Get together and bake, bring or buy some tasty treats to sell at home school or in the office to fund children's medical research

How your money helps For every guest you invite.

for every slice you sell, and every crumb eaten, you will be making a difference to families across the LIK

> Over 50% of twins are born prematurely. £100 could help support a research assistant for the day investigating the prevention of premature delivery of twins

Sign up now for your FREE fundraising pack at www.sparks.org.uk/bake



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July 14th - 17th; 10:00 - 12:15 pm daily. Cost £145 July 21st - 24th; 10:00 - 12:15 pm daily. Cost £145 Aug 26th - 29th; 10:00 - 12:15 pm daily. Cost £145 Beginners and improvers welcome 10% sibling and bring a friend counts available. OFSTED registered, payment by child care vouche

accented. For more information contact Nick Holt 07812 632238 or nickandsarahholt@hotmail.com. See our website at www.typingscool.co.uk for more information

THE WABBIT KING a new puppet musical by Chris Chambers

The Wabbit King is a moving and intellectual piece of musical theatre for all ages and tackles major areas of the primary PSHE curriculum. Five actors and numerous puppets bring the wonderful world of Wahhits to life using narrative and song to deliver an important message about bullying in an entertaining way. The book, music and lyrics are written by Chris Chambers and it is produced by Another Way Theatre in collaboration with The Arc Arts Centre, Caterham. The show is directed by Glyn Williams with puppets lovingly designed and created by Jill "Wiggy" Wilson

THE WABBIT KING. Performance dates The Arc Arts Centre, 39 Weston Drive CR3 5XY as part of the Caterham Festival Sundays 18,& 25 May,8,15 & 22 June 11am & 2pm

Saturdays 24 May,7&21 June 3 & 6pm Box Office: 01883 330380 www.anotherwaytheatre.

co.uk/book-tickets1 www.the-arc-caterham.co.uk Tickets: £10/£8 £30 Family Ticke



www.fairfield.co.uk Tickets £10/£8 £30 Family Ticket The Barn Theatre. 25 Bluehouse Lane, Oxted Surrey RH8 0AA As part of The Barn's 90th

Sunday 1 June 4 30pm & 7pm Tickets £8 Box Office 01959 561811 www.barntheatreoxted.co.uk

Birthday Celebrations

Christ Church Brighton Road (Between 861-863), Purley Surrey CR8 2BN As part of the Purley Festival Wed 25, Thurs 26 & Fri 27 June at 5pm, Sat 28 June at 11am

Tickets £8/£10 Box Office: 01883 330380 www.anotherwaytheatre. co.uk/book-tickets1

Purley Festival Week-end Sat 28 & Sun 29 June in the Children's Tent on The Rotary





Book tickets now at the following venues: ARC ARTS CENTRE, CATERHAM (01883 330 380) FAIRFIELD HALLS, CROYDON (0208 688 9291) BARN THEATRE, OXTED (01959 561811) CHRISTCHURCH PURI EV (01883 330 380) DUGDALE CENTRE, ENFIELD (0208 807 6680)

Further details of dates & times between 18th May and 28th June and to book online visit www.anotherwaytheatre.co.uk



May 2014

most famously in the many

programmes devised by Gerry

and Sylvia Anderson - among

them Thunderhirds UFO and

Alan Shubrook, Model-

Model maker Thunderbirds,

Secret Service 1/FO Alan

presentation of his own

Captain Scarlet, Joe 90, The

will be providing an exclusive

collection of backstage photos

from his days working on the

Mat Irvine, Special Effects

Horizon and QED and onto

award-winning dramas Edge

of Darkness and The Singing

Mike Trim. Special Effects

successors Captain Scarlet

Secret Service and UFO

and the Mysterons Ine 90 the

Dr. Who and Blake's 7,; through

Designer: 1.30nm

Detective

Designer: 3pm

Thunderbirds, and its

Space:1999.

Maker: 1200nm

THUNDERBIRDS ARE GO.. AT THE RAF MUSEUM!

11th May: 1000 - 5.30pm £7 Adults/£5 Children In a special one-day event, 'Model Futures' celebrates the art of science fiction model making in film and television with talks and presentations by industry insiders

Since the early days of silent films, model effects - or 'miniatures' - have played an important role in creating screen illusion. With the use of models film-makers can create scenes - or even entire worlds - that would otherwise be impossible to capture on film.

British film-makers have

proved particularly inventive in developing the art of miniatures, allowing the UK to become a world leader in the production of science fiction and fantasy films notable successes including 2001; A Space Odyssey, and the Star Wars James Road and Superman franchises Television too has provided a showcase for model making skill, in series such

Royal Air Force Museum www.rafmuseum.org

Surrey Artists' Open Studios

7-22 June 2014 www.surreyopenstudios.org. saosandopenstudios@vahoo. co.uk 01483 519287

as Dr. Who and Blake's 7, and

for a brochure Surrey Artists Open Studios offers the public a unique opportunity to visit artists' studios, meet artists & makers.

view demonstrations, explore and buy original artwork, enter a free prize draw, view taster exhibitions and take part in creative workshops. Studios are located throughout Surrey and around its borders. A Taster Exhibition will take place at the Lewis Elton Gallery, University of Surrey 6th-29th May 2014

AQUARIUS SWIMMING CLUB 01883 344662 – 01883 342270 Email info@aquariusswimming.co.uk

SUMMER HOLIDAY COURSES



May 2014

ASCOT &

LET ASCOT TAKE CARE OF THE FAMILY

A family day out at Ascot Racecourse has something for everyone, from the spectacular racing action to free entertainment for children of all ages. As one of the most child-friendly racecourses in the UK. Ascot leads the way in giving its young visitors plenty to see and do during a day's racing, including educational activities and fun outdoor entertainment.

Racing at Ascot takes place all year round, but the highlight family days include King George Family Sunday on 27th July, Dubai Duty Free Shergar Cup on 9th August and Christmas Weekend racing on 19th-20th December.

Under 18's go free Family days and children's activities have become more and more a part of the Ascot experience over the years fuelled by the 'kids go free' policy adopted by the racecourse across all meetings at the Berkshire track including all five days of Royal Ascot in June. In the Royal Enclosure, children aged 10-16 years may attend free of charge with a badge holder on Friday and Saturday only

Ascot's Colts & Fillies Club An example of just how successful the racecourse has more accessible to a vounger audience, the club has gone aged 16 and under and gives including a metal badge, a

pair of binoculars, a dedicated members viewing area around the parade ring, behind the scenes tours and much, much more. The Colts and Fillies Club has its own racehorse (Miss Inga Sock). Trips are run across the country to visit it in training and watch it run.

Colts and Fillies club go to www.coltsandfillies.co.uk/clu. html

Star Card The Ascot STAR Card allows 17 to 24 year olds to enjoy substantial discounts on racing at Ascot. STAR cards are issued free of charge and cardholders will be entitled to

purchase a half price* ticket

been in attracting the younger racegoer. Set up in 2002 with the aim of making horse racing from strength to strength and now boasts in excess of 17,000 members TV celebrities Ant and Dec Patron the club. The club is free to join to children

to all Ascot racedays with the exception of Royal Ascot and British Champions Day. This represents a saving of between £7.50 and £27.50 per raceday in 2014 depending on the date and type of ticket bought. For more details about the Ascot Star Card go to

For more details of the Ascot

www.ascot.co.uk/star-card-17-24-yrs 9 May: May Racenight

10 May: Victoria Cup Day 17-21 June: ROYAL ASCOT 11 July: Property Raceday 12 July: Summer Mile Raceday 25-27 July George weekend, including



Ride on Animals Children's Parties - School Fairs Oarlty Events - Ovistorings - Festivals and more

For more information please call Tel: 01843 583454 | Mobile: 07536058849 Email:info@lil-jockeys.co.uk Web: www.lil-jockeys.co.uk



Out & About

Animal Encounters

Saturday 24 May - Sunday 1 June Did you know that hidden at

WWT London Wetland Centre there are flying pink elephants? It's easy to spot the ducks which live at the Centre, but the wetland reserve is teeming with other life which is sometimes a bit more difficult to spot unless you know where to look

During Animal Encounters the team at London Wetland Centre will be showing you a different animal every day, so go and see some

of the exquisite but mysterious moths that inhabi the wetlands: the elephant hawk moth is a beautiful pink colour - a real

dragonfly nymph; go along and discover why.

> As well as seeing some of the hidden creatures of the wildlife reserve up close each day. why not sign up for one of the 'safari' sessions throughout the day? They'll be holding bug hunts, reptile rambles, duckling walks and pond dipping. And follow the nature trail to discover what's around:



You vs. The World

A new interactive game helps parents teach life lessons to kids A new game programme is released across the UK this month which allows parents to teach their children how to face life's challenges: from alcohol and drugs to bullying and health issues, through a series of fun computer games.

You vs. The World www.YouvsTheWorld.co priced just £4.99, offers a

complete parent and child package, whereby the parent has access to a dashboard to set up and monitor the games whilst the child can have fun playing them. With comic book graphics and fun characters that will resonate with youngsters, including protagonist Rob who guides them through each game and asks questions to test their awareness of particular issues, the game encourages children to think strategically and make positive choices, shaping their views on health and wellbeing. Kids also earn points for playing, keeping

A version of the game aimed at schools, designed to fit with the National Curriculum, was launched in 2013 and already accepted into over 300 schools

them motivated and engaged

throughout.

ROSE HIL



for the holidays, look no further! The Sports Village, located in Rose Hill Park, is a reputable and established sports facility with more than 20 years' experience coaching children and running holiday programmes. Our coaches and camp leaders are fully-qualified, CRB-checked and completely professional.

Our next Camps will run during Easter Holiday (April 7th - 18th) and Summer Holiday (July 21st - Aug 29th) St. He

We are running Teddy Tennis sessions for three and four year olds, as well as half- and full-day camps for children aged five and over. These camps include tennis and multi-sports, such as hockey, basketball, netball, football, dance, cricket and more! Our fantastic indoor facilities allow camps to run regardless of the weather

We also run camps over Half-Terms

For more information and an application form, please contact The Sports Village.

020 8641 6611 E-mail: info@thesportsvillage.org.uk THE SPORTS VILLAGE, Rose Hill Park, Rose Hill, Sutton, Surrey SM1 3HH

www.thesportsvillage.org.uk

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

Daily Lower Morden Garden Centre 020 8337 7781 Soft Play. Daily Sutton Ecology Centre

Festival Walk Carshalton 020 8770 5820 Playworld fantasy play area, 2-10yrs. Daily Rainhow Leisure Centre

East Street 01372 727277 Toddlers World under 5'e

Daily Kew Gardens, Kew Palace 020 8847 0946 Daily Walking Tours of seasonal highlights, FREE, Every at Tropical Nursery Tours, need to book. Every Tues & Thurs Orchid Nursery Tours, need to book. Every Sat Hands on Session Blowing in the wind stories of seed dispersal, FREE no need to book

Every Sun YMCA Wimbledon 020 8542 9055 Volleyball sessions for all levels for local residents in Wimbledon & Merton. FREE from 12.30pm, info@ wimblodonvolleyballclub.com. www.gospike.net. Every Mon SecombeTheatre

Cheam Road Sutton 020 8770 6990 Zumba fitness. Every Tues Line Wed Ballroom Dancing. Every Dance, under 8's to adults.

Every Mon Hampton Library 020 8734 3347 Storytime session, under 5's FREE 3rd Thurs of the nonth Chatterbooks reading group. 8-9vrs, 4pm, FREE. Mon Wimbledon Library

020 8946 7432 Jewellery drop in workshop for adults. FREE, Every Tues Coffee morning for over 50s. Every Tues IT also Basic IT Training, Every Wed Sewing Circle for adults, FREE. Every We French Conservation drop in classes. beginner & intermediate levels, for adults Every Wed Teenage French Tutorials, 8-18yrs. Every 1 month Genealogy Sessions, get help tracing your ancestry, drop in session for all ages. Every Tues & Every Tues Rendezvous Club for

Thurs Children's story & rhyme time session.

Every Mon Kingston Children's Library Wheatfield Way Kingston 020 8547 6438 Rhyme & storytime sessions for babies toddlers & under 5's. Every Thurs Stories & crafts for under 5's

Every Tues Farnham Library www.bookstart.org.uk Bounce 'n' Rhyme, FREE. Baby

Every Tues Hampton Wick Library 020 8734 3358 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE. 2nd Tue of the month Chatterbooks reading group, 8-9yrs, FREE. Every Tues Mitcham Library

020 8648 4070 Under 5's Storytime & Craft fun activity FREE Every hurs CV & Careers Advice Last Thurs of each month, Coffee Mornings. every Fri Knitting Group, need to bring own needles. Blagdon Road New Malden 020 83361561 Stay & Play for under 5's. Every Thurs young parents drop-in. -3pm. Every Fri Toy Library, under 5's, 10.30-1.30pm.

Every Tues Purley Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers & Wiggle & Jiggle, toddlers over 18mths. ri Storytime 2 1/2+yrs. Every Sat Rock & Rhyme for babies & toddlers, FREE.

Tues afternoon Raynes Park Library Story times for under 5's. Every Thurs morn Simple Yoga & Meditation Group. Every Tues until 20 May & every

Wed until 21 May Ridgway Stables 93 Ridgway Wimbledon www.merton.gov.uk/activeplus After School horse riding.

Every Tues & Thurs West Barnes Library 020 8274 5789 Classes for those wishing to learn to use the internet which runs for 6 weeks.

for more information, go to www.oxbridgeuk.com

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 Ever Toddlers Rhyme Time & musical activities 0-5yrs Tues-Fri Dickerage

Every Adventure Playground Dickerage Lane Kingston 020-8942 1707 Parent & Toddler Play sessions Thurs of every month until 3 v Hook & Chessington Library 020 8547 6480 Chatterbooks

children's reading group for 8-11yrs with a parent or carer. Richmond Library 020 8734 3303 Chatterbooks reading group, 8-9yrs 4 30nm FREE 1st Thurs of onth Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE.

Wed Ham Library 8734 3354 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE, 1st Fri of each month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE

Every Wed Watermans 40 High Street Brentford 020 8232 1010. morn Parents & babies screenings. very Sat Drama Zone 5-8 & 9-14vrs Every Sat morn Family Cinema, 1 adult goes FREE with every one paying child.

Every Wed Castlenau Library

020 8734 3350 Storytime session under 5's. FREE One Sat a month Tiny Teddies baby bounce & rhyme sessions, FREE.

Every Wed Hampton Hill Library 020 8734 3320 Storytime session under 5's, FREE, 1st Sat of eve month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE.

Every Wed Ursuline Prep School 18 The Downs Wimbledon 020 8947 0859 Mother & Toddler playgroup in the nursery, play along with the tovs & make use of the facilities plus a cup of tea is always available & well qualified & well trained

OxBridge Centre

nursery staff are on hand, FREE. Every Wed Tolworth Library 37-39 The Broadway 020 8547 6470 Rhyme & storytime for under 5's with simple crafts, FREE

Every Wed & Sun East Sheen Library 020 8734 3337 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE, 3rd Wed of the month Chatterbooks reading group, 8-9yrs, 4.30pm, FREE. 1 & 3rd Thurs of month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme FREE

Every Wed from until 16 July Wimbledon Park Revelstoke Road Merton www.merton.gov.uk/ activeplus Sewing Club.

very Wed morn Sutton Arena Leisure Centre Middleton Road Carshalton 020 8770 4088 Women's Recreation Mornings with a wide range of sport & social activities available for one single fee. 9-12pm. Daily Playworld fantasy play area, 2-10yrs.

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 Bentall Centre Kingston Air Land or Sea 'Make & Take' workshops children can create their own costume or T-shirt FREE, www.kingstonfirst.co.uk Watch magic tricks & learn to do some at home held on 3rd floor.

Every Thurs in term time Sutton Christian Centre 020 8642 8117 Special Stars a baby & toddler group for children with disabilities or additional needs, from babies to pre-schoolers, siblings welcome Every Tues Whitton Library 020 8734 3343 Storytime session, under 5's, FREE, 2nd Thurs of month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE.

1st Fri of every month Bergundy & Black Café St Martins Walk children 7-9vrs with a parent

Dorking Bumps & Babies is for carer, need to contact library to be mums with bumps & both parents placed on a waiting list FREE or carers of non mobile babies, mee very Sat Electric Theatre Onslov others for tea or coffee & get you Street Guildford 01483 444789 baby socialising, www.nct.org.uk Little Sparks in the Café Bar with branches/dorking/events/bumps-and-babies. 3rd Mon of every month music, games, songs, stories & puppets & Sparkles Dance drop in Nappuccino a natter about nappies classes for 5-9yrs. Every Mon & Tues after school The Man in The as an alternative to disposables Every Fri Sutton Library 020 Moon Weekly drama workshops 8644 9696 Job Club volunteer led 6-14yrs. Every Wed All Star Choir, support group for job seeker, all

ages, FREE no need to book.

boxing, 12-18yrs, FREE.

4.20pm, FREE. 1st Thurs

session, under 5's, FREE.

for under 5's 9 45-11 15am

Every Fri Teddington Library

Storytime session, under 5's

Chatterbooks reading group, 8-9vrs

Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce

Every Fri Kew Library Storytime

Every Fri Christ Church Coombe

Road 020 8241 9423 Toddler Group

Every Fri New Malden Baptis

Church Kingston Road New

& toddler group.

Every Fri New Malden Library

Kingston Road 020 8547 6438

Baby & toddler rhyme time up to

until 5 June Chatterbooks, 7-11yrs,

3rd & 4th Sat of the month Norbiton

ChildreN's Centre Kings Oak

Primary Dickerage Lane 020 8949

6065 Who Let the dads out Play

session for under 5's 10-12 30pm

Kingston Library Wheatfield

Chatterbooks a reading club for

Kingston 020 8547 6438

3yrs, FREE. Ist Thurs of r

FREE

Animal Encounters

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Malden 8942 6912 Tadpoles parent

Every Sat Heathfield Library 020 very Fri Sutton Life Centre 020 8734 3356 Storytime session, under 8644 9696 Running & non contact 5's, FREE, Last Tues of each month Tiny Teddies sessions baby bounce & rhyme, FREE. Walgrave Road 020 8734 3304/5

Every Sat Wimbledon Park Free standing Gazebo behind the sailing & watersport centre. Volleyball outside sessions for all levels for ocal residents in Wimbledon & Merton, FREE from 10-12pm info@wimblodonvolleyballclub. com, www.gospike.net.

Gardens Kingston Fitness in the Gardens low impact outdoor cardio exercise for all with power walking jogging & stretching, 10-11am. FREE, info@AHM-Go.com.
First Sat of every month Nev

Malden Children's Centre Burlington Road New Malden 020 8336 1561 Saturdads Group with breakfast & fun activities for dads male carers & their children up to 5vrs Every Mon Stay & Play 0-

28 Apr-3 May Yvonne Arnaud Theatre Millbrook Guildford 01483 440000 H.M.S Pinafore, 29-30 Apr Pirate Gran, families 3+yrs. 6-7 Ma Othello 14-17 May Carrie's War Surrey History Centry 01483 518737 An Introduction to Family History workshop, session covers all the basics with tips for

navigating the major family history websites hints on how to record & store your research & exploration of some valuable but less known

sources.
Until 3 May Richmond Theatre Richmond Green Richmond 0844 871 7651 Seven Brides for Seven Brothers. 17-18 May Peppa Pig's Big Splash, 27-31 May Buddy. 5 May RHS Gardens

Wisley Wisley 01483 225329 Contemporary Craft & Design Fair May Home & Garden Event, FREE. Until 31 May Taste of Wisley Rhubarb Festival.

Until 24 May Polka Theatre 240 The Broadway Wimbledon 020 8543 4888 Minotaur written by the award winning writer of The Monster under the Bed, 8-14yrs. 28-31 May I Peaceblossom and I Caliban a magical introduction to Shakespeare two fresh fun shows as they draw you into A Midsummer Night's Dream & The Tempest,

1 May Concert Hall Fairfield 020 8688 9291 The Johnny Cash Roadshow 14 May Jools Holland & His Rhythm & Blues Orchestra. 22 May Sing-a-Long Songs of War Time. 24 May Paul Hollywood Live Get Your Bake On with four randomly chosen audience member coming on stage to bake with Paul. 1-2 May Ashcroft Theatre Fairfield Croydon 020 8688 9291 Aliens Love Underpants live School, Through Flight evening of dance entertainment. 18 M Macdonald Had a Farm, family show with live action, puppetry & animation. 22 May Grumpy Old Vomen Fifty Shades of Beige. 31 May Croydon Performing Arts

Festival, Dance under 14yrs. 1-3 May Mill Studio Millbrook 01483 4400 00 A Midsummer Night's Dream featuring magic effects tricks, music, puppets & lots more, families 5-11yrs. 10 May Merlin & the Frost Dragon, 5+yrs. 7 Ma v Bollo's Birthday Surprise i-7yrs 24 May The Feather Catcher

Hawley Lake Sail Training Centre 01252 863341 Watersports Taster Sessions, try sailing, windsurfing or kayaking, 3hr sessions for 8-17yrs.

May The Scout Hut Battlebridge Lane Merstham Nearly New Sale with children & baby's clothes, toys & equipment 10-12pm

May Farnham Maltings 38 West street Farnham 01252 745 444 Participate in excavating a test pit in the museum grounds, take par in hands-on workshops led by local experts & learn about Farnham's past through displays, handling collections & children's' activities

Baby & Children's Market a large selection of quality nearly new & baby & children's items on sale from birth to 10vrs plus a small selection of unique businesses in the baby & children's industry showcasing &

selling their products & services. FREE entry for children May Arnhem Gallery Fairfield 020 8688 9291 Wish Upon a Prince musical based on the The Frog

Prince fairvtale, 3+vrs 3-5 May Morden Hall Park 020 8648 1845 The Morden Hall Country Show with all entertainment to include birds of prey, working dogs, children's entertainment as well

arts, crafts, gifts & food marquee 4 May Ravenscote School Old Bisley Road Frimley 01276 709007 World Cup Family Fun Day with traditional stalls, bouncy castle, bbq beer tent crafts football activities & more, Tel: 07414 257175. 4 May Wimbledon Commo

Nature Club Wildlife Watch 020 8540 6154 Pond Dipping, 6-14yrs.

1 June Natural Cloths/Scavenger

4 May Wandle Park 020 8726 6000 X64952 3 mile walk to Croydon Airport Visitor Centre. June Gatton Park

01737 649066 www.gattonpark. com Gardens & Park open, bird hide open FREE guided tours & FREE activities for children 26 May Fairytale Treasure Hunt discover fairytale characters around the park, 30 May Toddler Tales & Trails, enjoy the story of The Tiger Who Came to tea 2-4vrs

5 May Guildford Cathedral Stag Hill 01483 547868 Wildlife Rocks fun day event for the whole family with a huge variety of stalls. speakers, music & celebrities include Brian May Virginia McKenna. Mark the TV vet & many more entrance under 5's FREE

www.wildliferocks.me. Ottershaw Memorial Fields Foxhills Road Ottershaw Village Fair, 12-4.30p.m, www. ottershaw-village,net/may-fair/ May Haslemere Charter Fair High Street 01428 655425 With over 120 stalls made up of a mixture of both trade & charitable stalls. traditional fairground rides, animals live music, stilt walkers & much more for the whole family, 1-6p.m

y Oxshott Village Sports Club Oxshott www.osxhottvillageday. com. Fun filled day out for al the family with entertainment to include bouncy castle, children's fairground nunch & judy climbing wall, face painting, jazz band & a circus show There will be lots of demonstrations & events like classic cars, various sports & the Chelsea Football Club penalty shoot out. Refreshments to include a

www.haslemere.com/charterfair.

Bingham Road 07778 027799 hog roast, bar, afternoon teas & lots more, www.oxshottvillageday.com, 11-5pm, entry children under 12's

> May Brooklands Museum 01932 857381 Emergency Services Day, local services representing the Police, Fire & Rescue Services, St John Ambulance & lots of other vital heroic organisations from the community, plus live demonstrations & stunts, entrance under 5's FREE. a vintage style car up Test Hill, or

a ride in a double decker bus from London Bus museum plus Bertie the Brooklands Bear will be making quest appearances. There will also be family workshops on selected days throughout the holiday entrance under 5's FREE. 7.25 May Hutchinson's Bank 020

8726 6900 Extended walk searching for butterflies 10 May Birds over the chalk bring binoculars if you have them & join the Hutchinson's Bank volunteer at 11a.m.

9 May Happy Valley & New Hill 020 8726 6900 Night time event searching for hadgers deer & bats, 07771 715812. 18 May Sleeping Dormice learn about the increasingly scarce dormouse, meet at the Farthing Downs car park at 2pm.

10 May Thomas Wall Centre Benhill Avenue Sutton Email com Mum2mum market baby & children's nearly new sale, entrance children FREE.

10 May Watts Gallery Down Lane Compton Surrey 01483 810235 Young People's workshop Talking Art find out more about the collections, FREE with admission ticket, 10 May Young People's workshop, Bookmaking, 10-12,13-16vrs -11 May Rural Life Centre

Farnham 01252 795571 A Village at War re-enactors transform the museum with the sights & sounds of a village 'somewhere in England' as D-Day approaches & the troops prepare for the impending invasion. May-19 July War Comes to Tilford & Frensham an exhibition examining how the opening of hostilities in 1914 affected the rural

landscape.

11 May The Dittons Fair Giggs Hill Green Thames Ditton Traditional family event with sideshows including football tombola, crazy golf & pots of money, the Dotty Dog Show & Dog Gymkhana obstacle course, plus lots of stalls, ice cream. candy floss & lots more, 1-4,30pm. FREE entry, www.thedittonsfair.

co.uk. 11 May Myrtles Courtward Hampton Woodland Woodle 10K 6K run or 6K family walk, entries by 30 Apr, www.woodlandwoggle.com.

Please call before you go and please mention **PARENTS NEWS** www.parents-news.co.uk 01483 415390 Traditional village 11 May Cobham Village Hall

08454 757507 Mum2mum market baby & children's nearly new sale. entrance children FREE.

2008 1 1/2 hr walk to discover the springtime delights found in the wood, meet at 11a.m. 12 May Colour House Theatre Merton Abbey Mills (Off Merantun

8726 6900 Toddler Walk woodland

881717 The Energy Show, methane

Minis & Juniors 5-7vrs.

Epsom 020 8394 1734 Soldiers of Surrey Day with living history reenactors who will tell the story of the soldiers that came from the local area. There will be Army Cadets field craft displays, living history display including live firing & talks. FREE donations to SSAFA. 31 May Echoes of the Past to be held

in Rosebery Park with over 40 reenactors including the Roman Army along with War Machine. There will also be sand tray digs & Gladiator School for children plus lots more. under 12's FREE.

11 May Foxley Wood 020 8668

Way) South Wimbledon 020 8542 5511 Little Folk with Albo. Children's concert suitable babies-13 May Littleheath Woods 020

ramble suitable for pushchairs May Dorking Halls 01306

bubbles are set alight to make fireballs, hydrogen balloons explode & rockets are fired into the audience plus lots more, 7+yrs 13-17 May Charles Cryer Theatre

39 High Street Carshalton 020-8770 4950 Jesus Christ Superstar rock opera. Every Wed Spiral Youth Theatre for 13+vrs members learn a variety of activities such as drama, dance & singing, musical theatre composition, set design & costume making culminating in two roductions per year & Every Thurs 7 May Bourne Hall Museum

17 May Compton Village Green

fete with sideshows to include 'iuggling Jake circus skills', bbg, children's fun fair rides, tea tent, heer & Pimms bars ice creams bric a brac, books, bottle tombola coconut shy, children's races, dog races, Punch & Judy, bouncy castle

& lots more, 12-4.30 p.m entrance 17 May St Mary's Primary School Felsham Road Putney Art exhibition 'Amazing Animals fun for all the family exploring & discovering art locally, with cakes, coffee, tea & juice, entrance children FREE 1-6nm

Lake Road Wimbledon Mum2mum market baby & children's nearly new sale Tel: 020 8540 5498

17-18 May East Bysshe Cross Country Showground Blindley Heath, New Chapel www. www. shirehorsesite.org.uk Heavy Horse & Country Show with Novelty dog show on Sunday afternoon, over 2 days there will be Gundog displays & 'have a go' agility. There will also be Vintage farm machinery. military vehicles & classic car displays heavy horse dray rides fairground rides, have a go archery air rifle ranges plus refreshments & tradestands, 10-5pm.

18 May Loseley Park Guildford 01483 454213 Young Epilepsy's Purple Walk 8.7k raising funds for children & young people with epilepsy, registration 10 a.m walk starts 11 a.m, Tel: 01342 831245, www.voungepilepsv.org.uk/purplewalk.

20-24 May Rose Theatre 08444 821556 Ruthless Romans for families. 27 May-1 June The Gruffalo, 3+yrs. Rhyme Time bring the little ones to the Swallow Bakery for a FREE morning of rhyming, singing &

27-30 May Birdworld Farnham 01420 22140 Love your Zoo Week with additional tours & demonstration in all of the anima departments plus topical trails & arts & crafts What's On

24.28 May Thursley Common

www.rspb.org.uk/groups/tonbridge

events. All day bird watching

field trip for Dartford warblers

stonechats redstarts &whitethroats

as well as damselflies & dragonflies

25 May RSPCA Millbrook Animal

Centre 0300 123 0740 Fun dog

show with many fun categories

stalls & refreshments fun for all the

family, registration from 10.30am

Guildford Race for Life women

only fundraising event to walk, jog,

dance or run 5K & 10K events in the

name of raising money in the fight

against cancer, www.raceforlife

5-26 May Painshill Park Cobbam

01932 868113 Napoleonic re-

enactment see cannons, rockets &

firing, find out how soldiers lived

by visiting the living history camp

plus a skirmish will take place in the

afternoon as well as a drill which

26 May Stoke Park Guildford

01483 444333. Surrey County

Show with all the usual attractions

of a country fair & the Show horses

are a big part of the show plus the

hounds are all child & shy friendly

& love being petted in the arena.

May Surrey Sports Ground

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Whiskers and starring, of course, Peter Rabbit and his lovable bunny friends!

Mv Mum (£4.99)

the best strawberries grow in Mr Tod's garden .Will Peter



Active

With artwork from the fantastic new animation, this exciting story is simply told for very young children. Featuring Peter Rabbit Animation favourite characters, including

Peter Rabbit wants to make his

mum her favourite strawberry pie as a Mother's Day gift. But and friends Lily and Benjamin be able to gather enough before that sneaky fox puts them in a

Peter Rabbit Animation: Peter Saves the Day (£4.99) Stealing Old Brown's glasses is really NOT a good idea, but silly Squirrel Nutkin just can't resist! Luckily his good friends Peter Rabbit, Benjamin and Lily are around to help him find them before the angry owl tracks him down. It's a matter of remembering where he's been and retracing his steps and some of his footsteps are

the villainous Mr Tod and of

course Peter Rabbit and his

lovable bunny friends

Peter Rabbit and his friends have just hit the screen on Cheebies. With his taste for radishes and his thirst for adventure, everyone will want to join Peter's gang.

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Sticker Story Book (£3.99) Publication: 1st May 2014 Go exploring with Peter Rabbit Benjamin Bunny and Lily Bobtail. This fantastic sticker book is full of people and places from their world - from inside Peter's burrow, through the woods to a party at Hilltop Farm, via Squirrel Camp,

Mr McGregor's garden and even Mr Tod's lair. Add stickers to the scenes to make trails, play games, imagine adventures and save Peter and his friends from some seriously sticky situations.

Peter Rabbit has hit the screen to rave reviews. With his funny friends his taste for radishes and his thirst for adventure, everyone wants to join his gang. Be one of the first with this great value sticker story book!

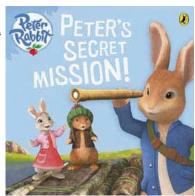
Peter Rabbit Animation: Football Fever (£4.99) Everyone has gone football crazy! It's rabbits versus squirrels But surely squirrels can't play football, can they ...? Peter Rabbit and his

friends have hit the screen on Cheebies and everybody wants to join Peter Rabbit's club! So much more than a story - study the map, enjoy the adventure. complete Peter's special skill challenge and fill in your very own certificate

Peter Rabbit Animation. Peter's Secret Mission (£4.99) Publication: 1st May 2014 Grumpy Old Brown has stolen

Peter's journal, left to him by his dad. Peter, Lily and Benjamin and their squirrel friends set off on a TOP SECRET mission to Owl Island to get it back.

But when Nutkin is in danger Peter must make a choice: will he save his precious journal or his special friend?



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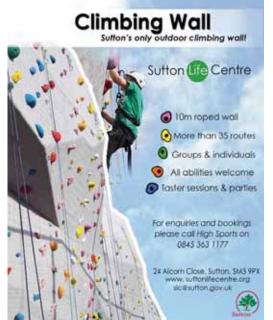
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All year term

24 May – 1 Jun

Discover more about the city we live in from

London's many languages to the way the river
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the capital for our Mapping London project.

28 Jun. 11.30am – 12.30pm & 2-3pm Build and test a boat that can float inspired by the boats in our museum.

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Mondays during term-time, 12.45-1.45pm
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Age 6 months – walking
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9844 or book online

Thursdays during term time, 3-3.30pm

Join us for a fun and interactive story, told using puppets, museum objects and music.



27 May, 11am-12.30pm & 2-3.30pm Discover what's beneath London's iconic buildings with a family tour and hands-on activities. Age 5+
23 PER CHILD Accompanying adults free

Book in advance on 020 7001 9844

29 May, 11am - 1pm & 2-4pm Dig down to London's foundations and create a soundscape for the giant map made throughout half term. Age 5+

Dig with Morti

30 May, 11am – 12pm & 2-4pm Join Morti the Mouse for songs and digging Find your own mystery objects in our huge indoor dig! Age 2-5 years



May half term: The city we live in 24 May – 1 Jun Uncover the stories behind London's buildings and streets. This week of events showing a different side of London will kick off with a

Musical Buildings 26 May 11-11.45am, 12-12.45pm & 2-2.45pm parents and carers. Under 5s.

Behind the doors 26 May 12.30-2pm, 2.30-4pm What do you really see on your journeys across London? Make a picture at our art drop-

Mapping London: Landmarks

26 May 11am - 1pm & 2-4pm Kick off our map project by helping add London's landmarks. Age 5+

27 May 1-1.20pm, 2-2.20pm & 3-3.20pm Learn the stories behind London's street names with our curators. Age 6+

28 & 29 May, 1-1.30pm, 2-2.30pm, 3-3.30pm People turn into buildings and London becomes the stage in a playful drama workshop. 5+

29 & 30 May, 12.30-2pm, 2.30-4pm stained glass in this art drop-in. Age 5+

15 FEBRUARY - 1 JUNE

music. Under 5s Urban Origam

workshop Age 5+

30 May, 3-3.30pm

30 May, 12.30-1.30pm, 2-3pm & 3.30-4.30pm Design and print your own 3D card model using iPads and inspiration from London's famous skyline in this digital family

Join us in our galleries for a fun and interactive

story, told using puppets, museum objects and

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What's hiding in the park?

31 May & Sun 1 Jun, 12.30-2pm & 2.30-4pm Find out why London's parks are located where they are in this art drop-in. Age 5+

31 May & Sun 1 Jun. 1-1.30pm. 2-2.30pm. 3-3.30pm

A highspeed fact finding storytelling experience about how we move around. Age 5+

Animated animals 15 Jun. 12.30-1.30pm, 2-3pm & 3.30-4.30pm Bring the animals in our galleries to life wit

digital technology.

FREE Tickets allocated on arrival.

27 Jun 12.30-2pm, 2.30-4pm

Mix the flavours of London in this art drop-in Age 5+



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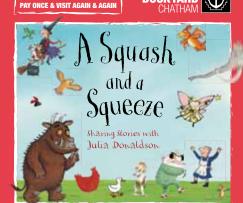
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cockroaches dressing up in realistic costumes FREE The Queen's Gallery Ruckingham Palace London 020 7766 7301 Become an explorer & discover the exhibition with activity bags for families. Using the bags find out which animals the adventurers shared the Antartic with and what early explorers wore to protect themselves from the cold.

going Royal Air Force Museum Grahame Park Way Hendon 020 8205 2266 Airfix exhibition with some of Airfix's most popular models from the 50,60s & 70's

Ongoing Imperial War Museum Lambeth Road 020 7416 5439 A Family in Wartime exhibition explores the lives of William & Alice Allpress & their ten children & what life in London was like during the war. A Family in Wartime. is brought to life through interactive exhibits, photographs, recorded interviews with the family, archive film footage & more, FREE.

Ongoing Royal Mews Buckingham Palace 020 7766 7302 Family groups may explore a range of self directed activities from the art trolley, 5-11yrs.

Ongoing Royal Academy of Arts 020 7300 8000 www.royalacademy. org.uk New policy all children under 12yrs of age will have FREE entry to all exhibitions

Ongoing Churchill War Rooms Clive Steps King Charles Street 020 7930 6961 Undercover, Life in Churchill's Bunker, learn what life & conditions were like underground experience the authenticity & emotional resonance of walking through the corridors where Churchill made history.

Every Sun National Gallery v.nationalgallery.org.uk 020 2885 Family workshops bringing paintings alive & listening to a themed story on the magic carpet, plus FREE family trail.

Every Sun Hildreth Street Market Balham SW12 Fresh food traders sourced from all over London

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Clapham Common 020 7622 8259 Offering fine foods & fresh produce plus a variety of handmade Dec with gifts & cards for all the family as well as Christmas trees & floral decorations. Christmas trees will be available

Every Sat Blue Elephant Theatre Camberwell 020 7701 0100 Young People's Theatre workshops, various age groups 7-18yrs, FREE to join. for children & families living on this recently renovated former housing estate.

Every weekend Tate Modern Bankside 020 7887 8008 Open Studio play & create with ideas & materials from artworks in the collection displays for all ages. aily Family resources with paper based activities for families all ages FREE. Daily Children's Multimedia Guide keeps children entertained & animates art works through music video clips &entertaining games Under 5's Zone a 5+yrs. Daily new play space for families, FREE, with games, map making & clue matching, 5+yrs, FREE. Every weekend Temple Station 7222 1234 Harry Potter

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Covent Garden 020 7304 4000 The Winter's Tale Until 18 May Udderbelly Festival Southbank Gandini Juggling: Smashed a sensational mix of skills & theatricality, www. gandinijuggling.com 30 May-6 performance by seven performers who stack themselves into towers, turn themselves into human skipping ropes somersault & tumble on the

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Until 14 Sept Natural History Museum Cromwell Road 020 7942 5000 Sensational Butterflies family friendly exhibition allows you to wonder through a tropical enclosure, discovering the science behind these delicate creatures & their amazing life cycles as they evolve from crawling caterpillars Family Explorer backpacks

into beautiful butterflies Daily Who Do You Think You Really Are state of the art interactive film, FREE, filled with explorer's tools, drawing materials & fun activities to help children make exciting discoveries in the galleries, under 7's FREE. ly Investigate Centre explore hundreds of real natural history specimens, from a shark's iaw t a meteorite as old as Earth in their

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their keepers, 6-11vrs, 25 May First

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9222 Tales from the Shed interactive

theatre shows for young children up

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children may take part in a great

interactive workshop & watch a

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dancers in East London & Essex.

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hospice.org.uk/magnoliawalk hands-on science centre, families +yrs, FREE. May Oueen's Theatre Billet Lane Essex 01708 443333 Baby www.bliss.org.uk Sensory development classes up to 13 months. 3 May Mr Zippy's 6 May Isis Education Centre Magical mayhem, 3-10yrs. 3 M

Story Plays interactive storytelling workshops bursting with fun & games based on a popular children's story The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Education Centre, FREE. May Goldilocks & The Three 16 May-8 Mar London Transport Bears. 17 May Ian Billings - Dumbs

Museum Covent Garden 020 7379 6344 Goodbye Piccadilly from Home Front to Western Front exhibition Half Term 26-36 May family activities to include storytelling & make & take creative workshops. The Travels of Ole' Bill discover the adventures they share as they journeyed across Europe Make & Take Creative family workshops, design a bus badge featuring your own driver cart driver from clay & string, 11.30 & 2.30pm, under 17's FREE entry. ekend & school hols The Family Station choose some FREE activities to do as you explore the museum, families all ages.

Every weekend Greenwich clulmination of musicians, painters performers, dancers, skaters & nuch more, www.sretfest.net

BFI Southbank 020 7928 3232 Crows 8+vrs. 5.10 Moving 8+yrs. 19,25 May Children in the Wind 8+vrs 2 y Family Fun Day Wall-E plus Funday workshop create your own robot using Wall-E as your inspiration draw your robots & tell stories about what functions they can perform great prizes on offer for exciting stories. FREE to ticket holders of Wall E. 26,31 May Hugo & Josephine for all ages

4May,1 June Putney Embankment Art & Design Market Lower Richmond Road With fine art (contemporary & traditional), ceramics, mixed media, graphics, glass, jewellery, textiles & lots more entrance FREE, www.wandsworth.

May Cutty Sark & Natiional Maritime Museum Greenwich www.rmg.co.uk/cuttysark Pirate Party, fun filled day of activity for all the family, booty to be won by the best dressed pirates. 1 James Robson, the cook on Cutty Sark sing songs, learn sailor skills & find out what was for dinner on board, all ages.

8 May St Gabriel's Church

Warwick Square Pimlico Family concert with Bach to Baby, children FREE. www.bachtobaby.com. 9.23 May LSO St Luke's 16 Old Street 020 7638 8891 LSO

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with puppeteers travelling all over England to perform. 16 May Battersea Park 5K family run to raise funds to help children develop through sports & play, www.therightoplay5k.co.uk May Magnolia Walk Trinits Hospice's family day out & walk in

memory of a loved one www.trinity May Bliss Buggy walk & push guided walk to raise funds for special care babies & their families

Hvde Park 020 7306 8056 A Walk in the Park, Bat Walk. 27 May Natures Explorers gardening gang drop off activity day for 8-12yrs 28-29 May Open Gardens at the

Family Station All Year Round activities for families, 3-12yr

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17 May Red Shoe Walk Battersea Park Event part of the British Rec Cross week, 8 miles walk along the river Thames, www.redcross.org.uk 17 May Laban Creekside 020 8691 8600 Family Cabaret bite sze bits of dance, circus & music all ages in a relaxed cabaret setting, 24 May Celebrate Greenwich Dance

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From Easter The Royal Observatory Greenwich 020 8858 4422 Longitude Punk'd will celebrate the creations of wacky inventors, star gazing scientists & explorers of the 18th century.

9-24 May Chelsea Flower Show Royal Hospital Chelsea Chelsea 020 7881 5204 Most famous flower show, www.rhs.org.uk 24 -25 May HMS Belfast Tooley

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24-25 May The Albany Deptford 020 8692 4446 Rubbish puppeteers show children of 5+yrs & adults how to create magic with the contents of a bin, giving new life to discarded items whilst engaging with the ideas of recycling. 24 May-1 June Victoria & Alber

Museum Cromwell Road 020 7942 2000 Half Term Digital Kids visitors can create their own garder using drawing, model making & animation, 5+yrs, FREE, drop in. 24 May-1 June The Imagination Station, 3+yrs, FREE drop in. 24 May-1 June Pop Up Performance all the family, FREE, drop in. 26 30 May Make It: Landscape Design workshop, opportunity to work with a landscape designer to design a garden for a grand house, 5-12yrs Daily Back Packs families can pick up an activity back pack filled with

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26 May St Paul's Church Bedford

Street Family concert with Bach to Baby entrance children FRFF 26-30 May Museum of Childhood Bethnal Green 020 8983 5200 Ha Term Victorious Victorians familie can take part in a Victorian trail listen to the tale of the Selfish Giant. dress up in Victorian costumes & make a popular Victorian toys to take home, FREE drop in all ages Until 2 Nov Davdreams & Diaries. the story of Jacqueline Wilson one of Britain's best loved children's authors exhibition

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27-30 May Geffrye Museum Kingsland Rd 020 7739 9893 Ha ferm Ideal Homes exhibition, create futuristic homes, 5-16yrs. 27-30 May Nursery Rhyme Time Home Sweet Home explore homes then & now through stories, songs & craft activities, 2-5yrs. Every weekend & chool hole Geffree explorers with FREE activity backpacks, audio guides, feely box, quizzes & trails.

28 May Old Royal Naval College 01494 764932 Animate This: tr your hand at making moving images from zoetropes to digital animation drop in workshop, 5+yrs, FREE. May The Dulwich Park Fur

Run 0300 373 1100 Adults can choose 10K or 5K race or join their children on the 1 mile fun run with buggy push, there will also be stalls selling baked goods, post run massage, face painting & much more in aid of Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

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Every Sat during term tim The River & Rowing Museum Mills Meadows Henley on Thames 01491 415600 Artways Art Club 5 week sessions, 11-15vrs, Every Wed during term time Taylor Tug's under 5's Club.

3-5 May Bodiam Castle Robertsbridge 01580 830196 Medieval merriments celebrate the arrival of spring with some medieval games & music. May Morris & maypole dancing. 24-25 May games and 50 Things, join in the medieval fun & see how many of their 50 Things you can do 26 May Sir Edward's Fair a family fun day to celebrate St Augustine Day. Half Term 27 May-1 June Adventures in archaeology uncover history & see what archaeologists have found in

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