

Easter Holiday Activity Newsletter 2022

Welcome to the latest edition of Let's Get Out and About! In this edition, you will find out more about what's on in your local area this half term as well as some suggestions about activities and venues that might take you further afield and activities you can do at home. We recommend checking the websites of venues before visiting as many will require advanced bookings.

SPOTLIGHT ON: KEW GARDENS

Kew Gardens has acres of Gardens to explore, secrets to unearth and science discoveries waiting to be revealed. Have a fantastic family day out at Kew Gardens. Their exciting new garden is especially designed for children from 2 to 12 years old. https://www.kew.org/kew-gardens/families

Based in a natural setting the size of 40 tennis courts, children can explore all the things plants need to grow; earth, air, sun and water. Over 100 mature trees are spread over this beautiful landscape, with hidden treasures and adventures around every corner, leading to a 4m high canopy walk wrapped around a 200-year-old oak in the heart of the Children's Garden. **Quiet sessions** We are offering quiet sessions in The Children's Garden for children aged 2-12 years with special educational needs and disabilities to make for a more comfortable visit.



Join **The Very Hungry Caterpillar** this Easter and follow our enchanting trail through the Gardens. Embark on a transformational journey to becoming a beautiful butterfly, based on Eric Carle's much-loved book, and wind through

sculptures of juicy fruits and a cosy chrysalis along the way.

Digest facts about the wonder of nature and the close connections between plant and insect life on Earth. You can also explore the seasonal plants in the Gardens, with tulips, bluebells, magnolias, and cherry blossom all bursting to life.

If you are in receipt of Universal Credit or legacy benefits including Disability Living Allowance, Tax Credits and more, you are able to book tickets for £1 (proof of benefits is required at point of entry). Visitors may also purchase up to 4 additional tickets for children 4-15 years for £1 each. Prices for families not in receipt of benefits start from £5 per child with adults at £15 per ticket.

https://kewgardens.seetickets.com/event/kew-gardens/rbg-kew/2138261#op1 Bus Route: Route **65** from Ealing Broadway to Kew Bridge.

The Great Gunnersbury Easter Quest When? 6 April 2022 or13 April 2022 11am - 12pm, 1 - 2pm, 3 - 4pm

https://www.visitgunnersbury.org/whats-on/children-families/the-great-gunnersbury-easter-quest/ Dotty the Gunnersbury Gardener needs your help! Can you help discover where the Rhyming Rabbit has hidden the chocolate treasure? Put a spring in your step and help Dotty solve the mystery by following clues and completing challenges. £10 per child, adults go free. All children to be accompanied by an adult, suitable for children aged 5+



Pitzhanger Manor, **W5** have two drop-in workshops this Easter.

AssemblePlay

Bring your imagination and play, explore, make, and build outside Pitzhanger with these free daily sessions with AssemblePlay. Find giant blocks, boxes, colourful fabric, and many other treasures and make exciting play landscapes together @ AssemblePlay.

Fri 8, Sat 9, Sun 10 April 11am–3pm, <u>free</u> for all children and their grownups

Sculpture Modelling

During this drop-in workshop, you and your family will be able to explore ideas of form, space, and shapes, drawing from the ideas of Minimalist abstraction and geometrical patterns, used by artist Rana Begum, you will build your own slot-sculpture using card and recycled materials.

Wed 13 and Thur 14 April 11am–2pm<u>, free</u> for all Ealing residents on Weds

Participation in the workshops is included in the admission price. Ealing residents can get **FREE admission** all day on Wednesdays and from 10am-12.30pm on Sundays, all you need to do is bring proof of your address. Pre-booking is encouraged to ensure entry.

Find out more and book by visiting: https://www.pitzhanger.org.uk/whatson/imagined-spaces-february-half-term-at-pitzhanger-manor/

If you are looking for activities to do at home Pitzhanger Manor also have lots of family activities to access online including a monthly themes creative activity and their new free Pitz Packs which are filled with exciting activities for children 11 years old and under and can be used to have fun as a whole family. You can find all the online activities on their website here: https://www.pitzhanger.org.uk/learn/online-learning/

Open Sundays Join us for the first Sunday of each month for special tours, workshops and creative activities inspired by Pitzhanger and our exhibitions, including storytelling and children's trails. 10am – 12.30pm https://www.pitzhanger.org.uk/whatson/open-sundays-6/

Hanwell Community Library are increasing their opening hours to include Fridays (10am-1pm then 2pm-5pm) from Friday 1st April 2022. To celebrate our new opening hours, they will be holding a free Easter egg hunt starting on Friday 1st April. No need to book, just come in and ask to take part! **Family Easter Craft Event** Hop along to our Family Easter Craft Workshop on Saturday 9th April 10:30-12:00. To sign up, please email: <a href="https://hcc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/hc.ncbi.nlm.nih.g

Free Cycling Instruction for children and their families Ealing Council provide FREE Cycle Training to adults and families that want to learn how to safely cycle together. They also provide holiday courses which are designed to cater for children of differing cycling ability and a range of ages. They are run throughout school holidays. These are scheduled on set dates at Gunnersbury Park and Southall Park. https://www.cyclinginstructor.com/ealing

Bentley Priory Museum, Mansion House Drive, Stanmore, HA7 3FB

Search the galleries to kit out your member of the Women's EGGSiliary Air Force and find the hidden word to win a prize! Saturday 2 – Monday 18 April, all day on our open days (Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, plus additionally on Easter Monday). Stanmore Tube Station on the Jubilee Line is the nearest tube station to the Museum. Bus 142 picks up at Brent Cross, Colindale, Edgware, Stanmore, Bushey and Watford Junction. Bus 258 connects Bushey with Harrow and Wealdstone Underground (Bakerloo line) Prices £8 per adult and £4 per child.

https://bentlevpriorymuseum.ora.uk/easter2022/

FREE Saturday family activities every month, for children of all ages. Places need to be booked in advance and children must be accompanied by an adult.

April: Dowding Puppets - Mark 140 years since ACM Sir Hugh Dowding was born in Moffat, Scotland (24th April 1882), by making these special Dowding puppets! Prebooking required by Tuesday 19 April. **BOOK YOUR SCRAMBLE CLUB SLOT HERE!**

This newsletter was compiled by the School Partnerships and Enrichment Team, Ealing Council. All information was correct at the time of compilation but please use the weblinks provided to check dates and times before joining an activity. Please contact sthompson@ealing.gov.uk for any suggestions or feedback.