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Safer schools

Proposals to close streets outside schools at drop-off and pick-up time are progressing, with parents at five schools being asked next term if they want ‘school streets’.

If parents at **Penwortham, Hillbrook, Alderbrook, Earlsfield** and **Furzedown** primaries want one, a wider consultation with local residents will be triggered. School streets involve closing down a street outside a school to traffic at drop-off and pick-up time to make it safer for children. You can find out more at wandsworth.gov.uk/schoolstreets

The council’s also looking at creating more ‘play streets’ where the road is closed for a couple of hours so children can play after school.

A pilot scheme’s been held at **Granard School** arranged by the school, parents, environmental charity Sustrans and supported by the council. Headteacher Cheryl Grigg said: “Ultimately, we want to affect a permanent change in the way children travel to school and also hope to inspire more schools to try this approach.”





Poetry stars

Year 4 and 5 pupils from Westbridge and Falconbrook Primary Schools have performed their own poetry in performances to mark the end of an eight-week project with Apples & Snakes, which promotes performance poetry in the UK.

They worked with spoken word artists BREIS and Kat Francois to explore the topics of resilience, perseverance and growth and thinking big. All the pupils who took part performed their own specially written poems to an audience of family members and other students. Poems by Falconbrook were also filmed and screened at the WAF Schools Showcase (see page 6) which also included live performances from Westbridge.

The project was commissioned by Wandsworth Council's Arts Team and was funded by Linden Homes.

Governors needed

Could you become a school governor? The council's keen to hear from people from all ethnicities and backgrounds so that governing bodies truly reflect the communities they serve.

Every school has a governing body and they play a vital role working with the headteacher to make sure children have a good quality education. Some school governors have children at the school, but many do not. Training and support are provided by the council.

Find out more about the role of a school governor and how to apply at <http://i4s.wandsworth.gov.uk/Page/13619>

SEND onscreen

The Local Offer team now have a You Tube channel where you can view videos about support for children with SEND, including the recent Get Set Go! preparing for adulthood event, WAND Card partners Go Ape and Flip Out, SEND training sessions with Parent Champions and outreach events at the Enhanced Children's Centre. Search for Wandsworth Local Offer on YouTube.

Early education

Three and four year olds are entitled to up to 15 hours a week of free Early Education from the 1 September, 1 January or 1 April following their third birthday. Fewer hours can be taken over a longer time. Working families could be entitled to up to 30 hours.

Wandsworth Council also offers places for two year olds from working families for up to 15 hours following the term after their second birthday.

For more information visit wandsworth.gov.uk/eecp or call the Early Education and Childcare Places Team on 020 8871 7899



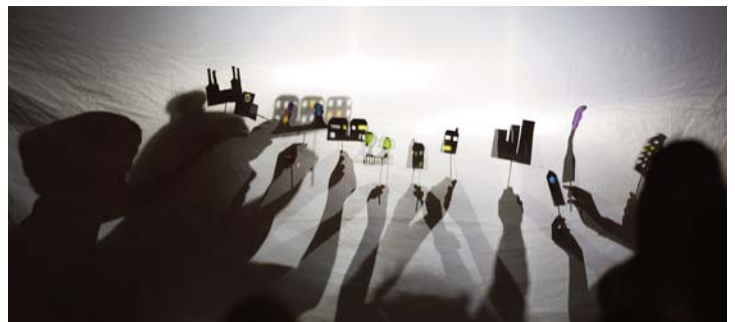
Schools showcase art

16 Primary Schools from across Wandsworth and the Wandsworth Music Academy come together as part of Wandsworth Council's Wandsworth Arts Fringe for a spectacular and creative showcase on Thursday 9 May.

Young people filled the Wandsworth Civic Suite with artwork and performances of spoken word, drama, dance and music, performing to a sold out audience. The young people were also joined by a team of students from South Thames College, who worked with the front of house team to ensure a smooth-running event.

Participating schools included: Broadwater Primary School, Chesterton Primary School, Falconbrook Primary School, Fircroft Primary School, Granard Primary School, Nightingale Community Academy, Paddock Primary School, Ravenstone Primary School, Roehampton CE Primary School, Ronald Ross Primary School, St. Mary's Battersea RC Primary School, Tooting Primary School, Trinity St Mary's CE Primary School, Wandsworth Music Academy, Westbridge Primary School, and West Hill Primary School.

To get involved in similar projects, email creativewandsworth@enablelc.org





Marathon effort

Sellincourt primary school PE teacher Chris Payne raised more than £1600 for children's charity the NSPCC at this year's London Marathon.

Mr Payne's achievement was particularly welcomed by members of the school's Marathon Kids club. School pupils come in early every Tuesday and Friday to run circuits of the playground, with their distance added up each time until they have run a

full marathon. Then they are awarded a medal. Between them the pupils have run nearly 4,000 miles since the club began.

Year 2 pupil, Eilidh Watkin, who regularly takes part in marathon kids clubs, added: "Sometimes it's hard to get out of bed early, but I love running in the mornings. Mr Payne is always cheering us on, and we are really pleased for him."

Find out more about the Marathon Kids programme at kidsrunfree.co.uk



Celebrating top chefs

Wandsworth Young Chef of the Year finalists, including winner Mia Weatherhead, have prepared a gala lunch for 60 guests, including the Mayor of Wandsworth and members of the business community, to celebrate the success of this year's competition.

Graveney Academy, Burntwood Academy, Chestnut Grove Academy, Ernest Bevin College, Ark Putney Academy and St Cecilia's worked alongside former Masterchef finalist Daksha Mistry to produce the lunch at the Taste Restaurant – part of the South Thames College Hospitality and Catering Academy in Merton.

To find out how to take part in next year's competition, visit wandsworthlifelonglearning.org.uk or call (020) 8871 8618.



Pupils lead the debate



The world leaders of the future gathered together at Wandsworth Town Hall over two days in June for the 2019 Wandsworth Model United Nations General Assembly.

Primary schools across the borough worked on their presentations on the theme of vegetarianism and then gathered together in the council chamber for an inter-school debate and vote.

Star speakers were judged to be Remas from Hillbrook, Simya from Broadwater, Ella from Hotham and James from St Anselm's. The winning schools were Eveline Day school and Penwortham.





Children's Centre party time

A new programme of activities in the borough's children's centres has been launched with a party in the Wandsworth Civic Suite.

There was food, drink and fun for children and all local parents were invited. Children's Centre staff went along, as well as representatives of the different services available there, including health visitors, outreach workers, educational psychologists and support for children with special needs.

From September 2019 there will be a borough-wide service across all 12 designated children's centres – part of the council's new THRIVE Wandsworth Strategy. The new programme of activities was drawn up following extensive consultation with local parents over the past few months.

The borough programme will bring together stay and play, early education, health visiting, speech and language therapy, child and adolescent mental health services for under-fives, groups for parents with low mood and post-natal depression and family support services. There will also be activities at weekends, during school holidays and more opportunities for young children with SEND.

Find out more at wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline



Parent Chantelle Tuitt went along to the event. She said:

“ It's nice meeting everyone and speaking to the different groups, finding out what they offer. Even if it's not for myself I can pass on the information to other people. ”



How to apply to a Wandsworth school

Before applying

Do some research. You can read about schools in the council's Choose a Wandsworth school brochure, available online at wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions. You can also read the latest Ofsted inspection at gov.uk.

Open Days will be held at many of the borough's schools before the application deadline. Find out when these are at wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions.

Check your child is eligible for your preferred schools. Don't waste a choice on a school your child has no hope of getting a place at. Check admissions policies on the schools' websites or at wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions.

Make sure you are registered for the Year 6 Test. Find out more at wandsworth.gov.uk/y6test.

When you apply

Apply online at wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions. Wandsworth Council coordinates admissions for Wandsworth residents – including applications for schools in other boroughs and free schools.

You can choose six. Put them in order of priority and be aware that putting fewer schools down will not increase your chances of getting your first choice, but it will make it more likely to get none of your choices.

Some schools require a supplementary application form - the online application system will tell you if any of your choices do.

After you apply

The council will allocate your child a place based on published admission criteria. If more than one school can offer a place, you will be offered whichever one of those schools was listed highest on your form.

You will need to accept or reject the offer. Don't reject the offer unless you've got a place lined up elsewhere. The school will contact you to make any further arrangements prior to the start of the autumn term.

You can appeal against the decision. Find out how at wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions. You can also be put on a waiting list for any school you choose and check your position on the list on the admissions page.

**Primary School
admission deadline
15 January 2020**

**Secondary School
admission deadline
31 October 2019**



For full details, visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions



Reading help

Tooting Library's reading support scheme offers one-to-one support to young people struggling with their reading.

Every day five or six teenage volunteers visit the library to help with the sessions. In the course of their hour they can sit with a couple of children, one-to-one, so around 50 younger children are helped at the library every week.

Sam, 16, has been volunteering at the library for around six months: "I'm doing a Duke of Edinburgh's Award and needed somewhere to do my volunteering. Before this I was looking at working in charity shops but I didn't really want to work behind a till and felt like this was helping the younger generation. When you read with a child over a few months you definitely notice a change."

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, or in your child joining the programme, contact: Heather.Shepherd@GLL.org

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Celebrate the Happy Bridge

Come along to a free family festival on July 13 in Nine Elms to celebrate the completion of the redesigned Thessaly Road Bridge.

The formerly dingy underpass has been transformed by artist Yinka Ilori with the help of children from nearby **St George's CE Primary School**. The artwork he has created to brighten up the bridge, Happy Street, was commissioned by Wandsworth Council during the London Festival of Architecture

and is part of a programme of work to smarten up the area and make the road safer for pedestrians and cyclist.

With the theme of happiness, the festival runs between noon and 6pm in the grounds of St George's school and Yvonne Carr centre on Thessaly Road, and at the ROSE community clubroom and ballcourt on Ascalon Street.

Don't miss a giant puppet, circus acts and the chance to try your hand at activities including dance, arts, hula-hooping, music and nature walks. Entry is free.

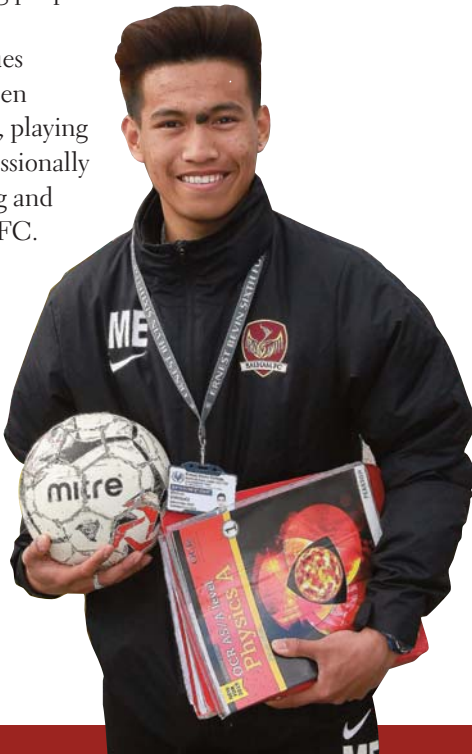
Find out more at nineelmslondon.com

Michael is Young Person of the Year

Gifted student and sportsman and keen volunteer Michael Enriquez has won this year's Wandsworth Young Person of the Year Award.

Michael is in Year 12 at Ernest Bevin School in Tooting. He hopes to become an architect and is leading a team in a CREST award project run by Imperial College to design sustainable school buildings in the UK and Kenya.

He is also a mentor for Year 7 pupils, helps younger pupils with their reading, is a member of the college council and is chairman of Interact, the young people's branch of the Rotary Club, at Ernest Bevin. He raises money for the STEM4 charity which works with young people on mental health issues and is a keen sportsman, playing semi-professionally for Tooting and Mitcham FC.



Commendations were awarded to Tahsin Uddin, Conor Skehan, Elis Russell, Shahab Valizadeh and Telisha Fowle and the Unique Youth youth club

Special awards were also awarded:

- **Young Musician:** Freya Lockeretz
- **Group Award:** The Burntwood School Para Team
- **Award for Outstanding Achievement:** Conor Hughes
- **Award for Overcoming Adversity/Difficulties:** Debra Nelsom
- **Award for Making a Special Contribution to Community Safety:** Ryus Beckett
- **Rotary Award for Making a Major Contribution to the Community:** Shannen Hassett

Nominations for next year's award will open in the autumn and anyone interested should check the council website at that time for news.



Better playgrounds

A toddler and younger children's playground at Chivalry Road has had a major facelift that includes new landscaping and new safe play surfaces provided along with modern new play equipment, including timber swings, slides, see-saws, climbing frames, benches and picnic tables.



These upgrades come just months after the nearby all-weather ball games area in Chivalry Road was refurbished with a new playing surface, fencing, renewed sports equipment and upgraded lighting so young people can use it after dusk.

Elsewhere work started last month on revamping the playground at St Mark's Church in Boutflower Road

and final plans are being drawn up to improve the playground at Garratt Park - parents will be asked which playground design they like best over the next few months.

At Fishponds Playing Fields work on installing a natural-themed play area should be finished by the end of this month.



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Check your risk online at
nhsdpp.diabetes.org.uk/c/wandsworth



Source: Public Health Annual Report 2016 - Diabetes in Wandsworth

Every week 15 people in Wandsworth are told they have diabetes



15,000 residents are living with the condition...



...and another 25,000 are on the verge of getting it.





Pick 'N' Mix is back

The summer-long programme of fun returns this year, with activities across the borough from July 29 to August 30.

Most events are free, or heavily subsidised, and include trips out, hair and beauty, arts and crafts, driving theory, coding, horse riding, yoga, music and sport.

It's open to young people aged 10-19 or up to 25 with a disability. The idea is to give young people a chance to do things they might not otherwise get the opportunity to try.

See the full programme of events and book sessions at wandsworthsummer.com



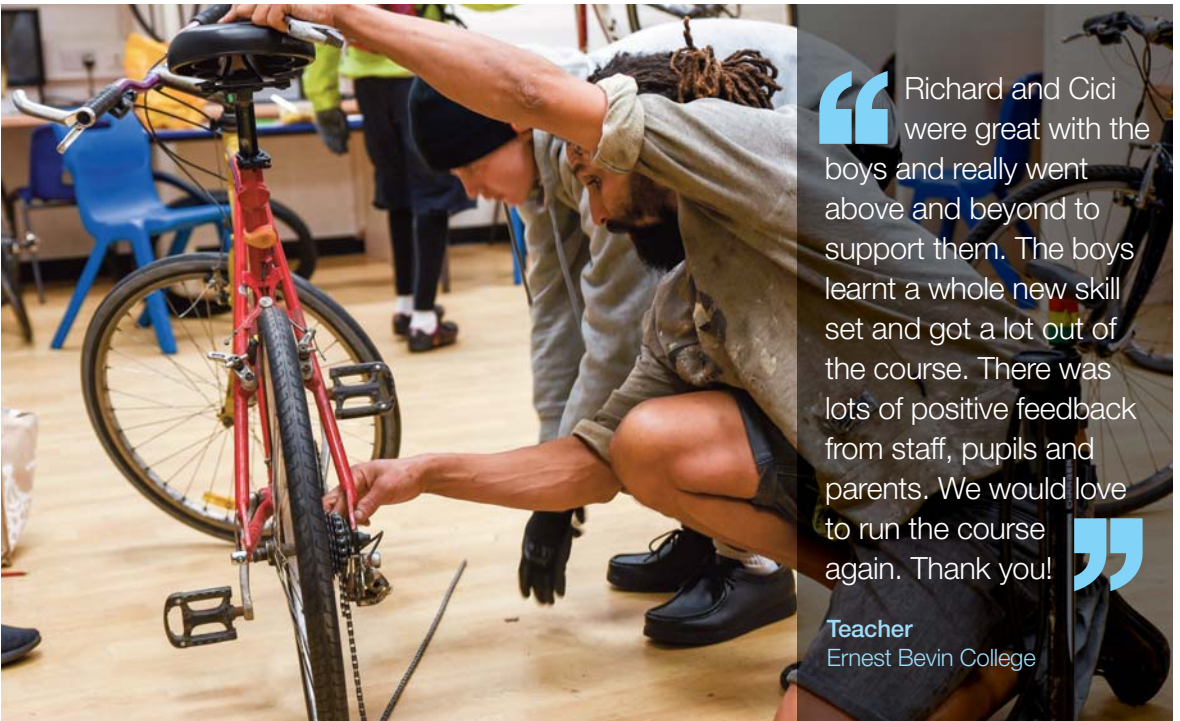


New life for old bikes

Secondary school pupils are working with the council on a scheme to restore abandoned bikes that would otherwise be scrapped.

The new scheme sees pupils rebuilding and repairing bikes alongside trained cycle mechanics. If they complete the course they get to keep the bike.

Any schools or youth groups interested in taking part should email dtsroadsafetyofficer@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk.



“ Richard and Cici were great with the boys and really went above and beyond to support them. The boys learnt a whole new skill set and got a lot out of the course. There was lots of positive feedback from staff, pupils and parents. We would love to run the course again. Thank you! ”

Teacher
Ernest Bevin College



Discounts for WAND Card holders

WAND Card holders, children and young people with disabilities or special educational needs from Wandsworth can enjoy a range of discounts, extra support and offers.

Members of the council's Disabled Children's Register can apply for a WAND Card. Sometimes disabilities are not obvious, and the card can be used to help parents get extra support when they are out and about without having to explain their child's disabilities every time.

Offers include:

- Free or discounted activities at Battersea Park Children's Zoo, London Recumbents bike hire, Putt in the Park, Battersea and Wandsworth Parks, Places for People leisure centres, Disability Sports Coach, Flip Out Wandsworth and Go Ape.
- Free parking at the town hall and in Battersea Park and for a short time while picking up or dropping off at a Wandsworth school
- Late charge exceptions and free DVD hire at Wandsworth libraries
- Support at borough businesses including Sainsbury's in Putney and Clapham Junction.

Find out more at wandsworth.gov.uk/localoffer





Wandsworth Parent Champion Aneta Karowcz (pictured second from right) has been presented with a Mayor's Pin by the Mayor of Wandsworth for her work spreading the word about support for families with disabled children.

The Parent Champions are a group of volunteers who raise awareness of the council's Disabled Children's Register and WAND Card Scheme, which helps children with a disability and their families. Each member of the team has first-hand experience of raising a child with a disability, so understand the challenges parents face.

Visit wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline to find out more.

Hey Wandsworth,
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Results
 salt 10 sachets
 sugar 66 cubes
 sat fat 7 grams

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 Wandsworth

Mapping out mental health



Young people can find out what services are available in Wandsworth to help them with their mental health

The map has been produced by the Wandsworth Youth Council and Wandsworth CLICK (Children Living In Care Council) with support from The Participation People.

Mental health services in Wandsworth have expanded recently with a 35per cent increase in children and young people receiving treatment. Several new services have also started since printing the first version and this summer online counselling and other apps will be available to make it easier for young people to get help.

Find out more at wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline

YOUR WELL-BEING MAP

Everyone is on a journey through Well-Being. Open me up and let's start your well-being journey.

For young people aged 0 - 18

Wandsworth

Mental Health Services

For young people aged 0 - 18

How we can help...

Everyone has Mental Health! We all need a little help sometimes. Let us help you out!

Advice and support
Feeling low but not sure why? Just want someone to help you understand what's going on?

Getting help
Been feeling this way for quite a while? Want some more targeted support to help you understand how you are feeling?

Further support
Struggling with overwhelming thoughts and feelings and need specific help? These are some services that offer an extra level of help.

NEED HELP RIGHT NOW?

These services can help you when you need support urgently!

Childline - Help and Advice
0800 028 0000

Samaritans Helpline
Open Until 9:00pm Every Day - 116 123

Access Service
Assessments within 14 Days - 020 3513 4644

24 Hour Crisis Help
via your GP and A&E at St George's Hospital

And Remember
It's OK to not
be OK!

Key

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The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

SPACE CHASE

Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Have you seen this crew?



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at your
local
library!

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YEARS READING
CHALLENGE THE
READING
AGENCY

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Summer Reading Challenge

This year's challenge is Space Chase. Meet the Rockets who live on a satellite station in space. After books start to go missing from the Moon Library, they go on a mission to save them from the hands of aliens. Take part in the challenge and join them on a chase through space.

All you have to do to take part is read six library books and visit the library regularly over the summer, collecting special stickers and incentives along the way.

To find out more, pop into your local library. Find your nearest at wandsworth.gov.uk/libraries

This is just a taste of what's going on. For lots more activities, visit Thrive Online Wandsworth at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline

Summer listings

How to be listed

Send details to:

headstart@wandsworth.gov.uk

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DAYS OUT



• Family Saturdays at the BAC

July 27

Join the BAC on the final Saturday of every month for a day of fun, food and free activities, including face painting, music, workshops, storytelling and free entry into the magical indoor play space for under 5s.

The recommended age is 0-11s and their families

Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill

www.bac.org.uk

• Community Fun Day

July 13, noon-5pm

Lots of fun for the whole community including food, rides, inflatables, staff, crafts, games and farm animals.

Broadwater Road, SW17

batca.org

• Happy Streets festival

July 13, noon-6pm

A free family-friendly festival of live music, dance, circus and fun activities.

ROSE community centre and St George's School, Nine Elms, SW8 5EJ

nineelmslondon.com

• Get Active Roehampton

September 7

Food, family activities and music, organised by Regenerate. Plus the chance to try a range of sport, yoga and other activities included on the Get Out, Get Active Programme in Roehampton.

Free

Danebury Avenue Green, Alton Estate, Roehampton

www.enablelc.org/active

• Deen City Farm

Children's events, riding lessons, educational programmes and a collection of friendly animals. Open from 10am-4.30pm all year round. Closed on Mondays.

39 Windsor Avenue, South Wimbledon

(020) 8543 5300

www.deencityfarm.co.uk

• Putt in the Park

Mini-golf in Wandsworth Park and Battersea Park. Enjoy a round of putting and then relax in the cafe. The Battersea venue also includes a pizzeria and bar. Open 9am to dusk. No booking required.

www.puttinthepark.com

• Vauxhall City Farm

A piece of the countryside in the heart of London. Riding lessons, young farmers' club and a collection of animals.

Entrance free but donations welcome.

165 Tyers Street, SE11. (020) 7582 4204

info@vauxhallcityfarm.org

www.vauxhallcityfarm.org



• Luna Cinema

Cinema under the stars

• July 16, Wandsworth Park, Green Book

• July 17, Wandsworth Park, Pretty Woman

• Sept 3, Battersea Park, The Breakfast Club

• Sept 4, Battersea Park, Bohemian Rhapsody

• Sept 5, Battersea Park, First Man

www.thelunacinema.com



• Battersea Park Zoo

Summer fun at the zoo, including

July 20: Teddy Bears Picnic

July 25: Pi-RAT-es of the Thames

July 30: Pig Day

August 1: Camouflage Day

August 3: Sheep and Wool Day

August 5-9: BIAZA Big Bug

Bonanza Week

August 13: Wallaby Day

August 15: Monkey Day

August 19-23: Native Species Week

August 27 & 29: Silent Forest

Bird Day

www.batterseaparkzoo.co.uk



• Northcote Road Summer Fete

July 14, 11am-6pm

Community event including live music, stalls, food and drink and children's entertainment. There will also be a big screen showing of the Wimbledon Men's Finals.

northcoteroad.london



• Wimbledon Windmill Museum

Saturdays 2pm-5pm, Sundays and bank holidays 11am-5pm

Get a fascinating insight into the world of windmills and milling. The mill ceased working in 1864 and became living accommodation for six families before opening as a hands-on museum.

Windmill Road, off Parkside, Wimbledon

• Drake's Funfair

July 19-29

Children's funfair on Wandsworth Common



• Summer at the Wetlands Centre

July 20 - September 1

Become a Wetland Explorer, including pond dipping, wild painting and raft building or try out the new Swamp Survival Squad challenge. On Friday evenings during August experience Children's Night Safaris. Bat Walks will be held on August 22 and 29.

London Wetlands Centre, Barnes

www.wwt.org.uk/wetland-centres/london

SPORTS AND FITNESS

• **Activ Camps**

Multi-activity camp for children aged four to 14. Dodgeball, quad biking, inflatables, water slides, indoor rock climbing, swimming, foam stick hockey, obstacle courses and more.

Barn Elms: July 22-August 16

Emmanuel School: July 15 – August 9

Graveney School: July 24-August 30

La Retraite School: July 24-August 30

Trinity Fields: August 12-30

info@activcamps

activcamps.com

• **Aspire Centre**

Classes for young people including rock-climbing, trampolining and swimming

Merton Road, Southfields

aspirecentre.com

• **All Star Tennis holiday camp**

Camps run for juniors aged three to teens throughout the school holidays. All levels and abilities welcome.

• Wandsworth Common

• King Georges Park, Wandsworth

• Tooting Common

• Leaders Gardens, Putney

www.allstartennis.co.uk



• **All Star Tennis Junior Free Play Scheme**

Young players can play free of charge every day between 3pm and 5pm, Monday to Friday, when courts area available. This includes the loan of equipment at King Georges Park, Tooting Common and Wandsworth Common.
www.allstartennis.co.uk



• **Battersea FC Football Club**

This new club is aimed at local under 12s with football talent who do not play in the professional academy system or benefit from private school facilities. As well as football training, it offers yoga, nutrition and sports psychology. You will need to commit to training twice a week and playing on Sundays to a high standard. FC Battersea is a Partner Club of Fulham FC and is coached by two UEFA qualified coaches

[Find out more at fcbattersea.com](http://www.fcbattersea.com)

• **Battersea Summer Scheme Sport in the Park** **July 30-August 2**

Run over four days in August, the scheme offers a range of sports including football, archery and tennis in Battersea Park.

batterseasummerscheme.org.uk

• **Barn Elms sport centre summer multi sports camp**

Three week-long courses between August 5 and 23, 10am-3pm.

Activities include football, tennis, beach volleyball, archery, kwik cricket, lazer tag and much more.

£70 for one week, £65 early bird price

Book in advance 020 3959 0055.

enablelc.org/besc

• **Social Beach volleyball sessions**

Every Tuesday and Saturday until the end of August

Social volleyball sessions led by qualified

volleyball coach, skills games and drills followed by friendly match play.

Tues 7pm – 9pm All abilities, £8.50

Sat 11:30am – 12:30pm Beginners, £5

Sat 12:30pm – 2:30pm Advanced, £10

No advanced booking required, pay at reception upon arrival

enablelc.org/besc

• **Furzedown Summer Tennis Courses**

Courses are held during July and August and are for all abilities. For details of dates, time, costs and how to book, call 020 3959 0051

www.enablelc.org/frc

• **Summer rowing courses at Barn Elms Boathouse** **July 8-August 23**

There will be 5-day beginner and intermediate rowing courses running throughout the summer holidays for Juniors. You must turn 12 before August 31.

£130 per rower.

www.enablelc.org/bebh



• **Social Archery sessions**
Every Saturday until the end of Aug

3pm – 4pm Family/junior session 4pm – 5pm Adults sessions
Archery sessions led by qualified archery coach for people of all abilities. Equipment provided.

£8 Adult £6 juniors. No advanced booking required, just turn up and pay at reception.
enablelc.org/besc

• **Zesh Rehman Foundation Football**

These Saturday afternoon football coaching sessions are for any 5-11 year old who enjoys playing football and wants to improve their skills. Graveney School, Welham Road, Tooting.

info@zeshrehmanfoundation.org
www.zeshrehmanfoundation.org

• **Battersea Sports Centre Summer Holiday Fun**

Try a range of sports at this fun holiday programme for children aged between 6 and 13

www.enablelc.org/bsc

• **Chelsea FC Soccer Schools**

Summer holiday soccer schools at Battersea Park and Chestnut Grove School.

Visit chelseasoccerschools.co.uk for details of dates and costs



• **Intensive swim courses**

July 29-August 23

Five-day courses for children

Tooting Leisure Centre

placesleisure.org/enquiries/

stephanieforeman@pfpleisure.org



• **The Fencing School Community Project**

Sunday morning term-time sessions from 10am-11am.

Lessons are suitable for children aged 7-12.

Cost £14 including use of equipment, with siblings and members of the local community half price.

St John Bosco College

fencingschool.com

THEATRE AND BOOKS



Photo: Fred Howarth

• Family Heritage Trail

Saturdays from August 3, 11am, 1:30pm and 3:30pm

Launching this August the interactive trail explores the hidden corners of Battersea Arts Centre through the people, stories and values that have shaped its 125-year history. Visitors will uncover hidden history and encounter new specially commissioned artworks with a self-guided trail created by theatre-makers and artists. The tour lasts about an hour is suitable for 6-11 year olds.

Free but booking recommended

bac.org.uk

• Group64 Summer courses

G64 Theatre is an inclusive young people's theatre company based in a working theatre in Putney.

• **July 24-26:** Under the Sea (Ages 4-7)

• **July 29-August 2:** Trunchbull's Academy (Ages 7-11)

• **August 5-9:** City of Stars (Ages 11-16)

Putney Arts Theatre

www.g64.org.uk

• Hansel and Gretel

July 11-13

Summer adventure suitable for the whole family performed by Group 64's 8-13 year olds.

Putneyartstheatre.org.uk

• Baby Broadway

August 9

The whole family can sing and dance along to well-known songs from hit shows and

films such as Mary Poppins, Oklahoma, The Jungle Book, Grease, Frozen and many more, in an interactive family concert performed by West End singers. Open to all ages from new-borns to school age to grandparents.

£12.50 adults, £5 children, babes in arms free

tara-arts.com



YOUTH CENTRES

Wandsworth has seven youth centres, all open for a minimum of five days a week for 11-19 year olds (or up to 25 for young people with disabilities). Activities include sport, dance, cooking, arts and crafts, table tennis, and access to the internet. Find your nearest centre and discover what's on offer at

wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline

CHILDREN'S CENTRES

Children's centres across the borough will be holding special half-term activities. To find your nearest centre and download a timetable, visit

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline

JUST PLAY



• Go Ape

Treetop fun in Battersea Park
goape.co.uk

• Battersea Park Playground

Exciting play equipment suitable for children over 8. Under 8s should be supervised by an adult. Free – just drop in. The playground is open the same hours as the park.

Enter through Sun Gate entrance.

• Soft Play at Latchmere Leisure Centre

Two storey soft play facility for children aged up to 8 years.

Some of the features include:

- Slide
- Ball pond
- Tiger rollers
- Bish bash bags
- Spider web climbers

Children must be supervised by parents at all times whilst using the soft play area.

placesforpeopleleisure.org/centres/latchmere-leisure-centre/soft-play

• Soft Play at Wandle Leisure Centre

Three storey Adventure Zone facility for children aged up to 7 years.

Some of the features include:

- Slide
- Ball pond
- Tiger rollers
- Bish bash bags
- Outside Play area

Children must be supervised by parents at all times whilst using the soft play area.

placesleisure.org/centres/wandle-recreation-centre/centre-activities/children/soft-play/

• Supercamps July 8-August 23

Children are able to experience up to eight different activities per day to include sports, arts and crafts.

Putney High School
www.supercamps.co.uk/camps/putney-high-school



• Wandsworth Summer Camp

July 29-August 22

Music, dance, computers, video, arts, beauty and hair care, face painting and sports.

Organised by the Met Police in partnership with Parallel Youth Enterprise

wandsworthsummercamp.org

ARTS AND CRAFTS



• Putney School of Art and Design Summer School July 17-Aug 4

Creative short courses for adults and young people in the summer holidays including drawing, photography, graphic design, printmaking painting, pottery and a kids' art club

Oxford Road, Putney
enablelc.org/PSADenrol

• Active Art

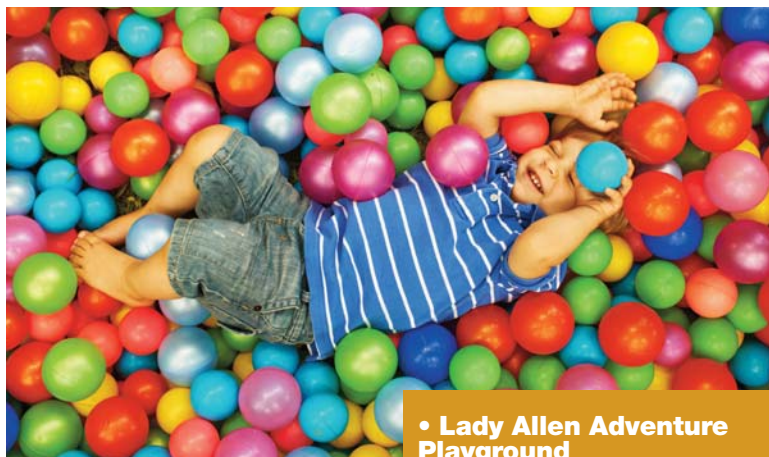
Saturday and holiday art courses and workshops at the Nature Study Centre, Wandsworth Common.
naturescope.co.uk

• Sparks Balham

Weekly filmmaking classes and holiday camps based at Ravenstone School. Young filmmakers can develop new skills and gain confidence.

sparksarts.co.uk/locations/balham/

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES



• Contact Fun Day July 30, 10.30am – 1.30pm

The Engine Shed is providing a very large train track for the children to play with, plus hook a duck, lucky dip, games for children, tombola, refreshments stall with ice lollies, glitter tattoos and face-painting and a Raffle.

Early Years Centre, 1 Siward Road, London, SW17 0LA

If you want to go, email Wandsworth.office@contact.org.uk or call 020 8947 5260

• ASC and Disabilities Family Fun Day July 24, 11am-2.30pm

Organised by A2ndvoice and SEN Talk CIC, this fundraising event includes arts and crafts, lego-based therapy, a bouncy castle, a sensory tent and much more. **£5 child and £1 parent. Under 3s free.**

Pay on the door or in advance by searching on Eventbrite. Email info@a2ndvoice.com.

• Unique Youth

Specialist youth club for 13-25 year olds with learning disabilities and complex needs.

George Shearing Youth Centre, Este Road, Clapham Junction

zenovia.grant@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk

• Homework Club Each Wednesday 5pm-6pm during term time

A2i (Aspire2inspire) Dyslexia is a charitable organisation based in

• Lady Allen Adventure Playground

Adventurous play for children with special needs and their siblings aged 5-14. Activities include a soft play area, indoor slide, arts and crafts, swings, hammocks, a dip wire, a giant see saw, slides, tree houses and a wide range of two and three-wheeled bikes

Chivalry Road, Battersea
www.kids.org.uk

Wandsworth focused on supporting the dyslexic community. Its free after-school homework club is aimed at improving the skills of children from KS1 & KS2.

Caius House Youth Club, Holman Road, Battersea

• George Shearing Centre

Open for young people aged 13-25 with severe learning disabilities and complex needs. Activities include pool, drumming, football, art, computers, Wii and a sensory room.

Este Road, Clapham Junction
(020) 7228 2230

zenovia.grant@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk
www.wandsworth.gov.uk/youth

• DSC Community Club Tuesdays, 4.30pm-6pm, term-time only

Sport for young people aged 11 and over with any disability. £3 or £1.50 with WAND Card.

(020) 8021 0973

Caius House Youth Centre, Battersea
disabilitysportscoach.co.uk

HEALTH AND WELLBEING



• Free Led Walks

Walks led by trained leaders in Battersea, Tooting and Roehampton.
enablelc.org/walk4life

• Meet the Minder August 2, 10am-11.30am

Meet Ofsted-registered childminders with vacancies

Franciscan Road Children's Centre, Franciscan Road, Tooting.

wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline

HOLIDAY PLAY SCHEMES

• Christ Church Primary School

Este Road, SW11 - 5 mins walk from Clapham Junction station, for children aged 3-13 years

• Smallwood Primary School

Smallwood Road, SW17 - 15 mins walk from either Earlsfield or Tooting Broadway stations, for children aged 3-11 years

Prices start from £10.80 per child for a half day, £21.60 for a full day.
wandsworth.gov.uk/psbo

How do I find out about...

Schools

General information: [wandsworth.gov.uk/schools](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools)

Admissions: [wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions)

Term dates: [wandsworth.gov.uk/termdates](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/termdates)

Find a school: [wandsworth.gov.uk/schoolsAtoZ](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schoolsAtoZ)



Recycling

General information: [wandsworth.gov.uk/recycling](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/recycling)

What can I recycle?:
[wandsworth.gov.uk/recyclefromhome](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/recyclefromhome)



Arts, leisure and culture

Arts: [wandsworth.gov.uk/arts](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/arts)

Events: [wandsworth.gov.uk/events](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/events)

Libraries: [wandsworth.gov.uk/libraries](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/libraries)

Leisure centres and sport: [wandsworth.gov.uk/sport](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/sport)

Adult Education: [wandsworthlifelonglearning.co.uk](https://www.wandsworthlifelonglearning.co.uk)



Parks

General information: [wandsworth.gov.uk/parks](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/parks)

Playgrounds and trim trails A-Z:
[wandsworth.gov.uk/playgroundsAtoZ](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/playgroundsAtoZ)



Parenting support, education, childcare, family activities, health, SEND local offer

[wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/thriveonline)



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Middle aged and feeling it?
Find out how to keep fit and well.
wandsworth.gov.uk/oneyou

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