

# Let's Get Out & About

October Half Term Holidays Monday 26 - Friday 30 October 2015



Welcome to our third edition of Let's Get Out & About. **Take the stress out of school holidays with this quick and handy guide to what's on in Ealing and the surrounding areas.** This action packed newsletter contains useful ideas, suggestions and activities for the whole family to enjoy during the school holidays (and after). Enjoyed something or want to share an idea? Email us at [Sthompson@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:Sthompson@ealing.gov.uk)

## SPOTLIGHT ON....

### Museum of Childhood

Escape the showers at the **V&A Museum of Childhood**. The collection includes rag dolls, teddy bears, board games, dolls' houses and more; some dating back to the 16th century. Parents can reminisce, while kids learn about the days before computers and battery-powered toys! There are free activities and tours every day. The museum is open from 10.00 to 17.45 daily. Admission to the museum is **FREE** and this October Half Term they have the following activities on offer.



**Every drawing tells a Story** When? 11.00 - 16.00 daily

Come on a drawing adventure around the Museum to mark the Big Draw, let your imagination run wild with a range of drawing inspired activities. **Free / Drop in / For all ages**



**Can you "can't do" something?** When? 11.00 - 16.00 daily. Have you been told you can't do

something and found in one way or another that you can? Mr Gerald, the bow tie giraffe, would love to hear about your experiences and ideas. Post your designs for Mr Gerald's 'big bow tie draw' and try and spot his extra-large bow ties left around the Museum. Audio description and touch trail boards available. **Free / Drop in / For all ages**



**Explore and Draw** When? Monday 16 and Wednesday 28 October, 10.30, 11.45, 14.00, 15.15

Join illustrator Salvatore Rubbion, author of A Walk in London and find out what makes the capital so special. Use drawing and collage to create a long fold-out picture to describe the special things about where you live. **£5 (with parent or carer / Sign up on the day / For ages 5-12)**



**Toy Stories** When? Tuesday 27 and Thursday 29 - Friday 30 October,

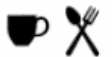
10.30, 11.45, 14.00 and 15.15. Work with artist illustrator Heidi Deedman to create your own book and story inspired by real toys from the Museum's collection. **£5 (with parent or carer) / Sign up on the day / For ages 5-12**



**Enchanted Forest Toy Theatre Workshop** When? Monday 26 - Friday 30 October, 11.15, 12.30,

14.30, 15.45 (Wednesday 28 October 11.00, 12.15, 14.00) Meet illustrator Frances Barry who will help you draw trees, characters and creatures to create your own story in a quintessential magical setting. **£5 (with parent or carer) / Sign up on the day / For ages 5-12**

For visitors wishing to eat their own packed lunch, outdoor picnic tables are located in the Museum's grounds. Additional facilities may be available at weekends and during school holidays in the Summerly Room on the Lower Ground Floor, but please check availability in advance of your visit. Fancy having a look before you go? Here is the link to the virtual tour <http://www.revolvingpicture.com/virtual-tours/moc/>



**Access:** Staff are trained to meet the needs of all our visitors. If you have any further questions about Access at the Museum, call 020 8983 5200. Website address <http://www.vam.ac.uk/moc/home/>



**Where is it and how do you get there?** The V&A Museum of Childhood is in Bethnal Green with the nearest station, Bethnal Green on the **Central** Line (approx. 55mins from Ealing Broadway Station / 1 hour 5 mins Greenford – No train changes needed!) Remember, [children travel free](#) on London Underground after 9.30am.

## Across the borough and beyond

### Robotics Workshop @ Ealing Central Library, Ealing Broadway Centre W5 5JY

When? **Wednesday 28 October 2.00 - 5.00pm**

Using Lego Mindstorm NXT 2.0 robots, Robogals carries out fun and enriching lessons for school children to try out simple robotics. No prior knowledge of robotics is required as the students will be guided in using the robots and learning simple programming tasks.

Tickets are limited to 24 students per session. Boys and girls are both welcome. Suitable for children aged 8 - 13.

**Admission: Free, advance booking required contact 0203 700 1052**

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Transport: Buses 65, 83, 112, 207, 226, 297, 427, 607, E1, E2, E7, E8, E9, E10 and E11. Tube/Train Ealing Broadway, **Central** and **District** Lines.



### African Drumming Workshop with Bantu Arts @ Greenford Library, Oldfield Lane South UB6 9LG

Join in with Bantu Arts and learn some basic drumming techniques and have lots of fun!

When? **Thursday 29 October 2.30 - 3.15pm and 3.30 - 4.15pm**

**Admission: Free, advance booking required Contact 0203 700 1062**

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Transport: Tube/train: Greenford Station, **Central line**. Bus: E6, E7, E9, E10, 282



### Free Tennis @ Elthorne Park, Boston Manor Road, Hanwell, W7 2AD.

FREE weekly coach led family oriented sessions at Elthorne Park (Ealing) for the general public.

Everyone Welcome (regardless of age, standard..etc). The sessions are suited to the whole family.

Please register on here <https://www.tennisatcattaway.com/register.php> then 'book in' all of your family members wishing to join in the next session.

Transport: Buses E8 (Brentford to Ealing Broadway and 195 (Brentford to Southall)). The nearest tube is Boston Manor (**Piccadilly** Line) just 500m away on the main road (turn right when leaving park). There is free parking directly outside the park on the main road.



**Little Seedlings Gardening club @ Osterley Park and House**, Jersey Road, Isleworth, Middlesex TW7 4RB Parking, 400 yards (pay and display, £5.00 per car). Enjoy planting weeding and watering (or just digging!) with your little ones as you get hands on in our kitchen garden.

Wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty! The event takes place in our kitchen garden in the gardens. Entry via the garden kiosk and the garden is signposted

The event is on a drop in basis, please be aware if the garden is full at any point we may ask you to come back later. We ask all visitors to the kitchen garden to agree to our methods of working upon arrival

**More Information:** Visitor Services, 020 8232 5050, [osterley@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:osterley@nationaltrust.org.uk)



### StoryStock @ The Bush Theatre, Shepherds Bush, 7 Uxbridge Road, London, W12 8LJ

Box Office is open Mon- Sat, 12pm - 8pm 020 8743 5050 [info@bushtheatre.co.uk](mailto:info@bushtheatre.co.uk)

Storystock is the travelling story circus for children 0-13yrs and their families. With shows, creative workshops & interactive stories there is something for everyone. Activities run from Weds-Friday. Prices for workshops start at **£4**. Click [here](http://www.bushtheatre.co.uk/festival/storystock/) for the full programme or visit the website <http://www.bushtheatre.co.uk/festival/storystock/> for more details.



**Hallowe'en Fun at the Libraries** Check out your local library on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>

October for Halloween craft fun. Make your own magic wand, create a mask or take part in spooky stories. Visit

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