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It's the summer!

School's almost out, so make the most of living in the Brighter Borough this summer.

There's loads going on across the borough during the school holidays, with plenty to get people up and moving. The Get Active Wandsworth Festival on July 18 and the Roehampton Festival on August 23 are both free and packed full of fun activities including music, dancing, sports taster sessions and the chance to get a free health check.

Wandsworth Museum – now based alongside the BAC in Battersea – is travelling around the borough using Wandsworth's rich history to spark youngsters' imagination and bookworms can pit themselves against the Summer Reading Challenge run in all the borough's libraries. Or you can chill out at the Lido or one of the borough's parks, or enjoy the novelty of a car free Putney during the RideLondon event – the town's hosting its first ever car-free day, with families activities throughout the day.

Check out our bumper 12 page listings section to find out more.

We'd love your feedback, so email us on headstart @wandsworth.gov.uk.
Let us know what you think about our new look, and give us ideas for events and stories for the next edition in October.



Cash for family centre

Lindon Lodge School has been given a grant to buy special equipment and books for its new Family Centre – the first of its kind in the UK. The money has come from the Wimbledon Foundation, the charity arm of the All England Club.

The fund also awarded money to Love to Read, a community based project in Wandsworth run through St Michael's Church. The project, which currently runs in two local primary schools, provides literacy opportunities to children who need extra support.

The money will enable the project to double the number of families helped, run weekly parent and toddler sessions, and buy books, musical instruments and craft materials.

Safer walk to Sheringdale

Work has been done to improve road safety on the approaches to Sheringdale School.

A 20 mph limit has been introduced in Standen Road near the entrance to the popular primary school, while raised carriageway tables have also been installed at the junctions with Balvernie Grove and Bowman Mews.

These are designed to reduce traffic speeds and improve visibility for both pedestrians and drivers. They also provide step free crossing points for parents with buggies and for wheelchair users.

Signage and road markings have also been upgraded to alert motorists that they are approaching a school.

Sheringdale is an "outstanding" school according to education inspectors from Ofsted, who praised its "outstanding teaching" which they said "ensures that pupils make rapid progress and achieve exceptionally well whatever their starting points."

Extra school places from September

More school places will be available in the borough, as new schools open and popular existing schools expand.

New school Floreat Wandsworth will open in Garratt Lane, Earlsfield, in September providing an extra 420 places to children of all backgrounds and abilities in this part of the borough. Meanwhile Mosaic School is expected to move into its new premises in Roehampton Lane in time for the new term, with space for another reception class.

Two popular schools, Sheringdale and Penwortham, accepted more children last September, but from next term building work will increase space and improve facilities at the schools to enable permanent expansion. The works at Sheringdale include a new two storey classroom block, partial refurbishment of the existing school and an extension to the dining hall. Pewortham is getting a new year six building.

Other primary schools that will be accepting more pupils from September include Gatton, Hillbrook and Allfarthing.

Meanwhile there will be extra secondary school places at Harris Academy, Battersea, which is increasing to six forms of entry, and Saint John Bosco College, which is moving to its brand-new Battersea home and will increase to seven forms of entry.

Find out about applying for a school place in Wandsworth at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions.

Get a MAN MOT

Men - got a niggling health worry but don't want to visit your doctor?

Have a CONFIDENTIAL online chat with a GP chat for free 24/7 www.wandsworthman.net





Wandsworth scoops football title

Wandsworth shared first place in both the boys and girls Balfour Beatty London Youth Games ParaGames football competitions.

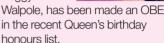
Wandsworth won joint gold for secondary aged competitors with mild learning disabilies alongside competitors from City of London, Hackney and Kingston.

The London Youth Games, now in its 38th year, is Europe's largest youth sports event. It brings together all 33 London boroughs competing in 46 separate sporting events, taking place between November and July. Wandsworth was the overall winner last year and hopes to repeat its success this year.



OBE for Peggy

Former head of Paddock School, Peggy



Peggy recently retired from Paddock, and now works parttime at Maudsley Hospital. She was awarded the honour for services to children with special educational needs and disabilities.

At their last inspection, Ofsted inspectors praised Paddock's leadership and gave the school an outstanding rating. For information about upcoming changes at the school, see page 10.





NHS

Get your

FREE NHS Health Check
from your GP or selected
Wandsworth pharmacies

For more information call the council's public health team on (020) 8871 5026 or visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/healthchecks

- Aged 40 74 years
- Not had a NHS Health Check in the last 5-years
- Not been diagnosed, or treated for stroke, diabetes, kidney, or heart disease
- Wandsworth resident, or registered with a Wandsworth GP.



Helping you prevent diabetes heart disease kidney disease

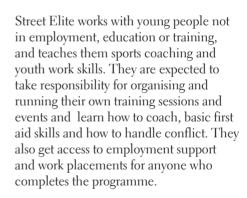
stroke & dementia

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Training with the Street Elite

The Street Elite Festival in
Roehampton gave youngsters
from local schools the chance
to try their hand at sports taster
sessions run by the graduates





The scheme is run by Change Foundation and Berkeley Foundation in association with the council.

Find out more about job and training opportunities for young people at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/jobszone

All these pictures of the event including the cover shot, were taken by 15-year-old Rebecca Stowe, who hopes to become a professional photographer.

United Nations of Wandsworth

Forget Germany and
Greece – the real debate
the summer has been in
the Wandsworth council
chamber as some of the
borough's brightest
pupils have battled it out
at the Wandsworth
Model United Nations
General Assembly.

The two-day event saw teams of primary school students, each representing a different country, going head-to-head in formal debate on two subjects: "This house believes that children should have their own parliament' and "This house believes that children should be able to choose their own teachers'.

The winner on day one was Franciscan School, and on day two Earlsfield, with both now going on to represent the borough at the English Speaking Union's London Debate Challenge Final at Dartmouth House on July 29.





Heathmere School winning poster design



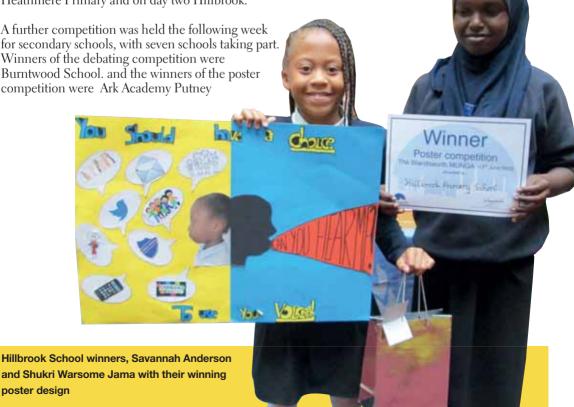
Ark Academy Putney winning poster design

poster design

The event also featured a poster competition, with pupils asked to design a poster illustrating an article from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. The winner on day one was Heathmere Primary and on day two Hillbrook.

A further competition was held the following week for secondary schools, with seven schools taking part. Winners of the debating competition were Burntwood School. and the winners of the poster competition were Ark Academy Putney





Special needs school

update

The number of school places for children on the autistic spectrum is set to increase, following the go-ahead from planners for a new-look school building.

In the last Headstart we told you that after consulting with local people and parents, the council proposed making changes to the borough's special schools.

The proposals were:

 Greenmead Special School and Ronald Ross Primary School sharing the Ronald Ross site, following completion of a building scheme for both schools in September 2017



• Expanding Paddock Special School across the former Greenmead site, following completion of building adaptations in Easter 2018.

The changes were subject to approval by the council's planning committee to the planning application for the new-look site (pictured). Planners have now said yes, and work is expected to start soon.

Find out more about SEN education at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/SEN.

History detectives

The standard of entries for the inaugural Wandsworth Heritage Awards was high, with students carrying out some detailed research of the borough's history.

In the under 8s category, Earlsfield Primary School students looked at the origins and history of the Battersea Dogs and Cats Home. Winner in the 8-10 age group was

L'école de Battersea, whose students carried out detective work following the story of some tiles repaired by William De Morgan. The 11-16 age range was St Boniface RC School, who looked deeper into the stories of past pupils killed in the Great War. Anna Daley was commended for her poem, the Day Earlsfield Got Bombed.



The winners were presented with their awards by the Mayor of Wandsworth, Cllr Nicola Nardelli. She said: "We are very proud of our heritage here in Wandsworth. And I am pleased that these awards will encourage successive generations of children in our schools to get to know the history of their local area and the borough, and to develop a true sense of place and belonging."



Grand slam for Tim at Devas

British tennis sensation Tim Henman paid a visit to the Devas Club for an evening of sport, food and entertainment.

The evening was held to raise money for the club's sport programme and young people were able to enjoy a tennis masterclass with Tim. The player also officially opened a new rooftop

Tim. The player also officially opened a new rooftop football and basketball court at the Battersea club.

The evening was inspired by club leader Josie Benson's Jungle Marathon run – reported on in a previous Headstart. The club has expanded its sports facilities to engage more young people in to sport and fitness.

Find out more about Devas and other borough youth clubs at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/youth.

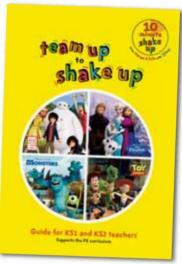


Get moving

Change for Life has linked up with Disney this summer to encourage everyone to get more active.

The 10 Minute Shake Up campaign features Disney characters to make it easier for young people and their families to get the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity a day by breaking it up into ten minute bursts.

Visit the website to sign up for a special 10 minutes sign up pack and get loads of tips on how to eat healthily and get more active. www.change4life.co.uk.



Have your say on services

Wandsworth Council is modernising and improving community sexual health services in the borough and wants local people's views on how it does this. The services include contraception clinics, young people's sexual health clinics, chlamydia screening and outreach services.

Find out more at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/ sexualhealthsurvey







The event is organised by the Young Person of the Year Trustees in conjunction with Wandsworth Council's Youth Service and is funded by the Rotary Club, the Keen Group and Wandsworth Community Safety Trust.

www.wandsworth.gov. uk/ypy

Young Person of the Year winners

Mahnoor Rauf has won this year's Wandsworth Young Person of the Year award.

Mahnoor helped establish a girls' football project at the TRC Youth Club. She researched and presented a bid for funding to the Youth Opportunity Fund to cover the cost of equipment and running expenses and went on to captain the TRC Football Club Under 16 Girls.

"I've always had a really strong passion for football but I was also really inspired by the team GB women's football team in the London Olympics in 2012," she said.

Other winners were:

Outstanding Achievement Award - Reiss Ormonde-Cunningham, who is a regional and county swimming champion .

The Overcoming Adversity Award - Callum Myles who overcame difficult circumstances to twice win the London Amateur Boxing Association championships.

Rotary Award for Contribution to the Community - Sophia Dinnall. A young carer who still makes time to be fully involved at her school and raise money for charity.

The Wandsworth Community Safety Award - Bailey Black. A role model for younger cadets in the Armed Cadets Force.

Group Award for Voluntary Work - Paddock School Metropolitan class. The class work in the school café where they prepare and cook soup and make sandwiches for sale.





Children and young people spend a lot of time online – but can we be sure they are safe?

Even games popular with young children, such as Minecraft and Club Penguin, can be made safer with a little knowhow, and older children using social networking needs guidance from mums, dads and carers on how to reduce any risks.

Almost a quarter of 11 and 12 year-olds with a social networking profile experienced something that upset them in the last year. Children are worries about being contacted by strangers, bullying, fake users and seeing inappropriate things.

The people in Wandsworth responsible for protecting the borough's children – the Wandsworth Safeguarding Children and Young Adults Board – is backing the NSPCC's Share Aware campaign.

You can visit the campaign for tips on

- How to tackle cyberbullying
- How to talk to your children about keeping safe
- What the most popular social apps and games are
- What age range games and apps are suitable for
- What other parents think
- Tools to help you protect your child.

Find out about how children are protected in Wandsworth at www.wscb.org.uk

Share Aware

In a national survey, many young people said they would like their parents to tell them more about privacy and location settings, but only a fifth of parents had done so. Games such as Minecraft are much safer once the privacy settings have been adjusted. You can find out how to do this on the Share Aware site.

Go to: www.nspcc.org.uk/share-aware



Schools design a new Thames bridge

Local school students have been designing their own Thames Bridges, inspired by the council's international competition to design a new pedestrian and cycle bridge to cross the Thames between Nine Elms and Pimlico.

The schools project is being supported by local architecture firms DPQ and AllDesign. Year six pupils from St Georges, Chesterton and St Mary's schools are taking part, plus Year 9 students from Harris academy, who are

competing in the secondary school category which sets a more complex set of design challenges.

Design professionals have visited each school to run workshops with the students and develop their skills and ideas. The winners will get vouchers and work experience opportunities with leading design practices.

The pictures show young people from St George's school with some of their designs.

Daisy: "Mine has giant ice-creams to hold up either end and when you go across you can taste different types of ice-cream. Ice cream is my favourite thing so that's how I got the idea"

Keeley and Judah:

"We are working on our bridge idea together. There's a dome in the middle for grown-ups, with a wildlife park with monkeys on one side of the bridge and pop-up computer screens on the other."



Zeffron: "This bridge is a new generation - nothing like it has ever been done before. There's a cake stand, a chocolate fountain, hot dog stand, a playground and a free cinema. You can bounce all the way across the bridge on pods"



Leo: "Now I have had a go at this - I think I'd really like to be an architect when I'm older. I have never seen anything like the buildings the architect showed us. This is a great experience for me."

The new £755,000 children's centre

in King George's Park is now officially open.

The centre, which has been named 'West Hill in the Park', builds on and expands the range of services offered at the nearby children's centre based at West Hill primary school.

It offers a daily full range of free children's and family services including drop-in stay and play services, health advice and parenting support and has a separate outdoor play area.

The new centre means that the council has been able to provide 32 free nursery places for children from lower income families at the West Hill centre. Nearly 1,800 free nursery places are being offered to two-year-olds from lower income families in Wandsworth as part of a £6m investment in their education and development.

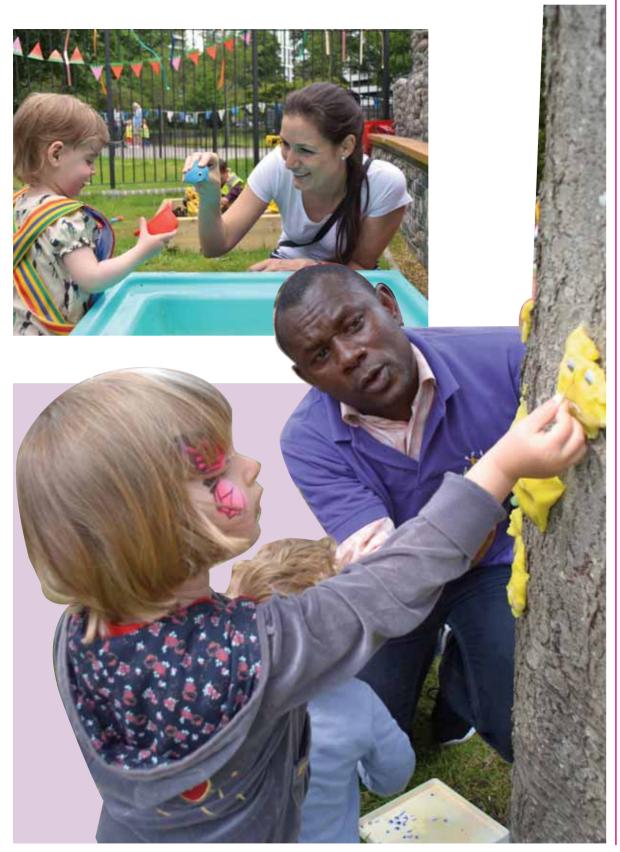
Children's services spokesman Cllr Kathy Tracey said: "I am honoured and thrilled to have today officially opened this absolutely fantastic new centre for local families.

"The new building is much bigger, brighter and better than the one it replaced and has the space and room to provide a much more comprehensive and excellent range of services to young families in this part of the borough."

The borough's network of children's centres offer free stay and play for young children and their carers.

For more information about family services in King George's Park and elsewhere across the borough visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis







Our friends at Battersea Dogs' and Cats' Home have offered some advice to Headstart readers to make sure they keep safe around dogs this summer.

As the weather warms up, our parks come alive with people and their pets. While it may be tempting to go and give a dog a pat, there are a few things to keep in mind so that you and the animal remain safe and happy.

Battersea Dogs & Cats Home goes into communities giving advice to people to encourage safe interactions with dogs. Last year it delivered 1363 talks to school students and youth groups. The charity has the following advice for healthy interactions with our four-legged friends.

Just like people, dogs can get angry, scared or shy. It's important to treat dogs with respect and leave them alone when they are sleeping, eating or playing with another dog.

If you see a dog that you would like to say hello to, it's best to ask the dog's owner if it's okay first. If the owner isn't there, never approach a dog. It's important to find out if the dog is friendly before you stroke it. If the owner allows it, walk up to the dog calmly and quietly. Make sure the dog can see you so that you don't startle it. Stand slightly to the side of the dog as standing face on can be scary for it. Gently offer the back of your hand to the dog to sniff. Make sure your fingers are tucked under so they don't point into the dog's face or eyes. After the dog has had a chance to sniff you, gently stroke its shoulder. Most dogs don't like being patted on the head.

Don't forget that all dogs have different personalities and like different things. Some dogs might find you interesting and come over to say hello. If you feel frightened and are holding something that resembles a toy or food you should drop it. Cross your arm and remain still until the dog gets bored and walks away. You can then move backwards slowly, keeping an eye on the dog.

For more information on staying safe around dogs please visit www.battersea.org.uk

• Ride London Putney Fun Day Sunday August 2

Come along to Putney's first ever Car Free Day to coincide with this major cycling event. There will be lots of fun events for all the family to enjoy with prizes and goodies given out throughout the day, plus a great view of the race as it passes down Putney High Street.

Summe

How to be listed

This is just a taste of what's going on. For lots more activities

/isit the Family Information Service at **www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis**

Send details (including access for people with disabilities) to:

prucki@wandsworth.gov.uk

by Friday September 18, 2015.

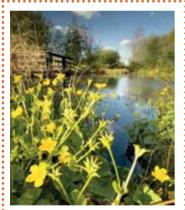
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DAYS OUT



All Saints Church Summer Fete

July 11, noon-4pm Stalls, games, raffles, food, drink, train display and bouncy castle. Entry £1 adults, 50p children All Saints Church, corner of Franciscan Road and Brudenell Road, Tooting. www.allsaintstooting.org.uk



Be a Nature Explorer Saturday July 25-Sunday August 30

Have your children ever tried pond dipping? Do they know how to track creatures or identify animal poo? Have they ever seen the insect that can fly better than a helicopter? Children can collect a passport with eight wildlife themed activities on it and for every challenge they complete they'll get a sticker, making them an official Nature Explorer.

Cost is Included in admission **London Wetlands Centre, Barnes** www.wwt.org.uk

Battersea Park Children's Zoo summer activities

- Tuesday 21 July ssssSNAKE DAY
- Thursday 23 July Meerkat Day
- Tuesday 28 July Wildcat DayThursday 30 July Australian
- Tuesday 4 August Snail Day
- Thursday 6 August BIAZA Big Bug
- Tuesday 11 August Piggy Day
- Saturday 15 August Cotton Top

Loads of themed activities and fun. Usual entrance fee applies, plus additional cost for some activities. Battersea Park Children's Zoo www. Batterseaparkzoo.co.uk

Caribbean lawn bowls championship

Saturday July 25

Inaugural event focused on family fun. Caribbean food. No entry fee Streatham Park Bowls Club, Pringle Gardens, SW16

Bowlsiamaica@gmail.com

Circus Skills

Fun interactive workshop to help children develop, including warm up games, juggling, spinning plates and more. This session is open to 5-12 year olds and their parents/carers, who must be in attendance during the workshop. Free

- Monday August 10 Battersea Park Library, Battersea Park Road, 10am to noon. (020) 7720 4122
- Wednesday August 12 Southfields Library, Wimbledon Park Road, 2pm-3.30pm (020) 8780 1945. www.better.org.uk

Tooting Field Days

Sunday 2 August 1.30pm - 5pm Tooting Field Days from Sprout Arts are local safaris based in and around Tooting. You can drop in for part of the day or join go along for the whole event. ! The theme of the August Field Day is Shelter. http://fanshen.org.uk/current/tootingfield-days.html

Putney Pier Art Market Sunday August 2

Browse and buy affordable, high quality arts and crafts and chat to the people that made them.

www.facebook.com/artonputney embankment

Family Saturdays at the BAC

July 25, August 29

Every final Saturday of the month families take over Battersea Arts Centre for a day of fun. food and free activities. There is something for everyone to get involved with and space for the whole family to chill out and relax

Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill www.bac.org.uk

Pirate Treasure Hunt Wednesday August 5.

2pm - 3:30pm

Aha me hearties! Meet other shipmates to find the hidden treasure. This session is for 2 to 8 years old with their mums/dads and carers. Come in fancy dress or make yours at the workshop: -Fancy dress competition at 3pm, story telling and make a pirate hat. Free (020) 8780 1945

Southfields Library, 300 Wimbledon Park Road.

Elizabeth.hill@gll.org www.wandsworthlifelonglearning.org.uk fotcinformation@gmail.com



• Family Fun at Wandsworth Museum.

Wandsworth Museum is out and about throughout the summer holidays, exploring the history of work and play and using Wandsworth's past as inspiration for family arts, crafts and games.

All sessions are free.

Workshop locations include The Pump House Gallery in Battersea Park, Sprout Community Arts Centre, Garratt Park Children's Centre, Battersea Arts Centre and borough libraries

Check for information on individual workshops, dates and booking www.wandsworthmuseum.co.uk bookings@wandsworthmuseum.co.uk (020) 7326 8295 @WMuseum



Tooting Bec Lido

Voted best outdoor pool by the London Pools Campaign, the Lido welcomes babies, children and adults of all abilities. Includes children's paddling pool. Children under eight must be supervised by an adult. Maximum ratio of three children to one adult. Tooting Bec Road, Tooting (020) 8871 7196

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/lido

• History of the Common walk Sunday 23 August.

Sunday 23 August, 2.30pm

Friends of Tooting Common event led by Graham Gower:

Northcote Road Summer Fete

Sunday July 12 Music, entertainment, popup markets, food and more Northcote Road, Battersea www.northcoterd.co.uk

Roehampton Festival

Sunday August 23
Arts and crafts, bouncy castle, animal farm, miniature railway, sports and dance taster sessions, live music and performances plus stalls from local organisations.

www.regenerateuk.co.uk.



HEALTHY STUFF

Diabetes Group May 11 and June 8

Fulham Diabetes Patient Group has invited anyone with diabetes in Wandsworth to attend their meetings this year. These are held on the second Monday of each month (except for April, July, August and December). The meetings are free to group members and visitors, and usually include a guest speaker.

NHS Walk-in Centre, Parsons Green http://knowdiabetes.org.uk/fulhamdiabetes-group

• **Deaf drop-in service** Every Tuesday

Wandsworth adult social services' deaf drop-in service provides information, advice and guidance to deaf and hard of hearing adults in Wandsworth. accessteam@wandsworth.gov.uk (020) 8871 7707 Minicom: 020 8871 8485

Family Smoothie Making

Thursday July 30, 11am-3pm Southside Shopping Centre, Wandsworth

Choose the fruit for your smoothie and then make it yourself by producing your own energy riding our bike. Puppet making and drawing activities as well. No need to book – just turn up. (020) 8871 8626

www.wandsworthlifelonglearning.org.uk

• First Aid - Baby and Toddler

Tuesday 21 July and Thursday 23 July: 10am - 11:30am

Balham Nursery School and Children's Centre, 72 Endelsham Road. Free course in basic First Aid to help your baby keep safe in and around the home.

Please call to book a place. (020) 8673 4055

ccm@balhamnursery.wandsworth.sch.uk www.balham-nursery.wandsworth.sch.uk

• First Aid - Family Thursday July 23, 1.30pm-3.30pm

Balham Library, 16 Ramsden Road. This summer workshop will give you confidence in any situation in and around the home and you will receive an



attendance certificate. The course is open to mums/dads and carers of children aged 8-16 years. Free.

Call to book a place.
(020) 8673 1129

alex.martin@gll.org

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis

Football and Healthy Eating

This course will cover what the great footballers eat before they train. Taste some simple snack ideas to keep your energy up and lots of fun quizzes to get you thinking. Football coaching after the healthy eating sessions. For young people aged 8-16 and their mum, dads and carers. Call to book your place. Free Wandle Leisure Centre, Mapleton Road, Wandsworth 020 8871 8055

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis

•Become a Community Champion July 28 and July 30

Thinking of making a healthy lifestyle change? Want to inspire and support others to make a healthy lifestyle change? Sign up to the council's Community Champion programme. As a community champion, you will have access to our free accredited health and wellbeing course to find out how you can make some simple changes to live a healthier lifestyle as well as support family, friends and your community to do the same. The course also gives you the skills to volunteer with us in various roles and you can join our growing network of champions across the borough. For those thinking of a career in health

promotion, the community champion programme offers an ideal introduction. Courses are open to residents, volunteers and staff working in the borough. The next course will be held on July 28 and July 30 at York Gardens Library.

including tai chi, pilates, zumba,

activelifestyles or contact the active

lifestyles team on (020) 8871 6373 to

swimming lessons, netball and

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/

For a full list visit

request a brochure.

Call Fanta Bojang on 020 8871 5051 or email FBojang@wandsworth.gov.uk.

• Free led walks

Walks led by trained leaders in Battersea, Tooting and Roehampton. Free.

(020) 8871 6373

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/walk4life.

ManMOT

Free confidential online advice for men with a niggling

Wandsworth MAN

be good
to yourself

health worry who are too busy to, or just don't want to, go to their GP. Chat live to a GP twice a week, or ask your question via email at any other time.

www.wandsworthman.net.

MUSIC

Family Music Making

Come to this fun workshop and make a simple instrument. There will be tips on introducing rhythm, rhyme and listening skills at home. This session is for children aged 0 to 5 years and their parent/carers. Call to book a place.

Free.

Wednesday July 22, 10am-11.30am

Smallwood Children's Centre, Smallwood Road, Tooting 020 8672 6024 jenniferhindmoor@smallwood. wandsworth.sch.uk www.wandsworthlifelonglearning.

Monday July 20, 1pm-2.30pm

Northcote Library, 155 Northcote Road, Battersea 020 7223 2336 fiona.martinelli@gll.org www.wandsworthlifelonglearning. org.uk

• Glyndebourne in the Garden

w/c July 19

Mozart's II Seraglio live streamed from Glyndebourne to Tooting in this garden opera evening.

Fayland Avenue, Furzedown
For details and to book contact
Suzanne on
suzannericheux@tiscali.co.uk

Classics in the Park

- Friday September 11, 7.30pm-10.30pm
- Saturday September 12, 7.30pm-10.30pm

Outdoor classical music concert performed by the City of London Sinfonia accompanied by fireworks Wimbledon Park athletics stadium www.merton.gov.uk/classicsinthepark

THEATRE

Dot, Squiggle and Rest

Until August 16

Join us on a playful adventure as a fantastical garden becomes a miniature universe of dots, squiggles and shapes of all different shapes and

Adults and Children £11.50 Polka Children's Theatre,

Wimbledon www.polkatheatre.com

Pride and Prejudice - open air performance

Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th July 2015, 3pm, £12 / £8 concession

Bring a picnic and join us under the trees - and the watchful eye of Mrs Bennet as Elizabeth, Mr Darcy, Jane. Mr Bingley, Lydia and the villainous Wickham play out the intriques and intricacies of the nation's favourite romantic novel, as voted for by viewers of the BBC's Big Read. **Putney Theatre Company** Putney's Old Burial Ground, Ravenna Road, SW15 www.putney theatrecompany. org.uk



Live at the Bandstand

Saturday August 1, 12noon – 6pm

Free summer festival at the Bandstand, Battersea Park. Hear live music from noon to 6pm by blues and ska bands including Steve Morrison and the Blues Band, Ella and the Blisters, Rags Rudi and many more.

The theme will be Seaside and there will be Punch and Judy performances, kids' workshops, arts andcrafts from local designers, food stalls and a pop up bar.

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/bandstand

JUST PLAY

Alton Activity Centre -**Spurgeons**

The Alton Activity Centre is an openaccess centre, providing a range of play activities for children and young people after school and during the school holidays. Children must be registered at the centre to take part. To register. please contact the centre directly. Alton Activity Centre, Ellisfield Drive. Roehampton 07891 780 440 nprice2@spurgeons.org www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis

Spurgeons - Southfields and Earlsfield

July 27-August 26

A range of activities for parents in the Southfields and Earlsfield area at various venues, including rock climbing, stav and play, archery, street dance, cooking and boxing, plus trips outs. Call for details and to book 07891 780174 neastwood@spurgeons.org www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis

Battersea Summer **Scheme**

August 4-7, daily 11.30 am to 4.30 pm.

Sport and fun activities for eight to 16 years olds including art, tennis, judo, music, archery army assault course, athletics, football coaching, tag, rugby, rowing, circus skills, climbing wall, trapeze and much more. No booking necessary.

Millenium Arena, Battersea Park www.batterseasummerscheme.org.uk

Eddie Katz summer activities

July 22-August 27

Fun summer activities and workshops Eddie Catz. 68-70 Putnev High Street www.eddiecatz.com (020) 3475 5268

George Shearing Centre **Summer Activities**

July 20-August 7

George Shearing Centre, Este Road, Clapham Junction

For young people aged 11-25.

Week one: arts & crafts, circus skills, Zoolab Animal Funday, health & beauty



workshops and karaoke with Speedy

Week two: Zumba Dance, The Challenge Audio Visual workshops, sports competitions and Interactive art sessions

Week three: Cooking pizza from scratch, outdoor games, karaoke with Speedy Disco, talent showcase / open mic and residential visit.

Spaces are limited, book in advance. Call for details. (020) 7228 2230 aburman@wandsworth.gov.uk www.wandsworth.gov.uk/youth

It's a Kids thing

Children's activity centre with two-tier play structure and daily activities. £5.50 per child, £3 sibling 020 8739 0909 www.itsakidsthing.co.uk

• Providence House **Summer Activities**

July 15 to August 13

Providence House Youth Club, 138 Falcon Road, Clapham Junction Activities for young people aged 8-13 and 11-19 including:

- Picnic in the park
- Break Up BBQ
- Butlins Day Trip
- Juniors Air Hop Trip
- Boys' Sailing
- Photography Project
- Bowlina
- Trip to Brighton (020) 7228 0433

07445 983 904 www.wandsworth.gov.uk/youth

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/battersea

Somerset Children's **Centre Summer Holiday Activities**

Somerset Nursery School, 157-159 Battersea Church Road Activities include -

- Stay and Play
- Child Health Clinic

parkplayground

- First Aid
- Little Weaners
- Somerset Babies
- Rhyme and story time (020) 7924 5455

ccadmin@somerset.wandsworth.sch.uk fis.wandsworth.gov.uk/somerset

Toddlers Fun Session

Every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, July 27-August 28, 9.30am-10.30am, 10.30am-11.30am

Bouncy castles and soft play areas. This activity is open to children aged 0-5 years and their parents/carers. No need to book. £4 per child.

Tooting Leisure Centre, Greaves Place (020) 8333 7555

enquiries@tootingleisurecentre.co.uk

Tots activities

July 27-30, 10am-noon

Activities for 2-4 year olds include tots' tennis, ball games and basic learning activities. Book in advance. £40 per child, £30 siblings. Millenium Arena, Battersea Park (020) 8871 7542

JLino-dacosta@wandsworth.gov.uk

York Gardens Children's Centre Summer Holiday Activities

July 28 to August 21

Lavender Road, Battersea For parents / carers and children aged 0-5. Free

Summer activities include:

- Messy Stay and Play
- Making the most of motherhood;
- Stay and Play:
- Paper making activities;
- Trip to Vauxhall City Farm:
- Teddy Bears Picnic;
- Cultural Cook Up:
- Trip to Brighton: and
- Party Day

York Gardens Children's Centre, (020) 7738 0889 http://fis.wandsworth.gov.uk/ yorkgardens

Yvonne Carr Children's Centre Summer Holiday Activities

July 28-August 21

For parents / carers and children aged 0-5. Free

Summer activities include:

- Messy Stay and Play
- Child Health Clinic;
- Stay and Play;
- Family Support drop-in:
- Healthy Cooking Workshop;
- Soft Play and Gym;
- Celebration of Culture Day and Table Top Sale;
- Fancy Dress Garden Tea Party; and
- Trip to Dean City Farm.
 Yvonne Carr Centre, 2 Thessaly
 Road, SW8
 (020) 7720 5515
 mcampbell@wandsworth.gov.uk
 http://fis.wandsworth.gov.uk/yvonne

• Summer at Balham Children's Centre

July 27, August 3 and August 17 - 10am-10.45am

Community Music Group for 2-5 year olds. Limited places so please call to book.

July 28, 10am-12pm

Fun Day for children 0-7 years old Activities provided by Elaine from Ministry of Giggles

August 4 and August 11, 10am-12pm

Stay and Play For children 0-7 years old.

July 20, August 6 and 13, 10am-10.30am

nurserv.wandsworth.sch.uk

Parent and Child Yoga For children 2-5 years old (younger siblings welcome) 020 8673 4055 www.balham-

HOLIDAY PLAYSCHEMES

Summer holiday playschemes are open from July 21 – August 28 2015, 8am-6pm

Christchurch Primary School,

Este Road, Clapham Junction

Smallwood Primary School,

Smallwood Road, Tooting
Prices start from £10 per child for a
half day (8am - 1pm or 1pm - 6pm)
and £20 per child for a full day (8am
- 6pm).

Sibling discount is available.

• Three Kimber Road Skate Camps

July 27-August 2, August 10-August 16 and August 24-August 30, 8am-6pm.

Each skate camp is a 5 day skateboarding course with instructors. The cost is £150 and includes group trips and lunch. Suitable for children aged 8 and over. The programme will run from 8am – 6pm Monday to Friday.



(020) 8871 6348
playservices@wandsworth.gov.uk
www.wandsworth.gov.uk/psbo
If you require an Ofsted-registered
childminder during the holidays,
visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis

SPORTS & FITNESS

Activ Camps at Emanuel and Graveney Schools

Multi-activity camps for children aged four to 14 run by fully trained staff. Dodgeball, quad biking, inflatables. Water slides, indoor rock climbing, swimming. Crazy crash mats, foam stick hockey, obstacle courses.

Graveney: £37 per day and £165 per week. Emmanuel: £40 per day and £180 per week. Sibling discount available.

Emmanuel School, Battersea Rise Graveney School, Welham Road, Tooting info@activcamps 07813 880 513

www.activcamps.com

All Star Tennis



Courses are for children aged 3 years old upwards all abilities and are based on the nationally recognised LTA Mini Tennis Scheme whereby the children enter a programme that follows certain skills. Courses are available at

- Leaders Gardens, Putney (020) 8871 4706
- Wandsworth Common (020) 8871 4706
- Wandsworth Park, Putney (020) 8871 4706
- King George's Park, Wandsworth (020) 8875 0570
- Tooting Bec Common (020) 8675 5824
- Furzedown Rec (020) 8871 4706
 www.allstartennis.co.uk

• Aqua Run - Fun Inflatable Session

Every Monday July 20-August 24, 2pm-3pm

Fun swimming session with inflatable assault course and floats. This session is for children aged 8+ years. Children must be able to swim 25 meters unaided.

£4 per child. Tickets go on sale at 9am – first come, first served.

Tooting Leisure Centre, Greaves Place (020) 8333 7555 www.placesforpeopleleisure.org

Archery

Suitable for children aged 7-16. No experience required. Call or email for details of date and times.

Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields 020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

Athletics - Star Track July 27-30

For young people aged 7-13 of all abilities. Please call to book a place. Battersea Park Millennium Arena 020 8871 7357 / 020 8871 7542 www.wandsworth.gov.uk/

• Barn Elms Summer Holiday Programme

August 10-28

millenniumarena

A fun filled three weeks of activities including hockey, rounders, athletics, volleyball, tennis, archery, rowing, football, netball, and tag rugby. For children and young people aged 8-14 years. Please call to book a place.

Barn Elms Sport Centre, Queen Elizabeth Walk, Barn Elms (020) 8876 9873 cfutitt@wandsworth.gov.uk/barnelms

Battersea Sports Holiday Fun

July 27 to August 28

Activites include volleyball, badminton, dodgeball, athletics, arts and crafts and other team games. For young people aged 5-13.

£12 per day or £48 per week. Discount for siblings.

Battersea Sports Centre, Hope Street, Clapham Junction (020) 8871 8529 bsc@wandsworth.co.uk www.wandsworth.gov.uk/leisurecentres

• Chelsea Soccer Schools

Battersea Park

Chestnut Grove School, Balham Barn Elms Lodge

Learn the skills of the game in a fun, safe environment. Soccer Schools are for boys and girls of all abilities aged 6-14. 020 7957 8220. Call to book a place. Iondondevelopment@chelseafc.com www.chelseafc.com/soccerschools

• Furzedown Tennis Camp

Call for details

Tennis camp to improve your skills, shots and techniques. Run by experienced coaches for beginners, improvers and advanced players. This session is for children aged 4-14 years. Please call to book a place in advance

Furzedown Rec, Tooting

Furzedown Rec, Tooting (020) 8871 7171 (020) 8767 6542

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/furzedownrec



• Get Active Wandsworth Festival

July 18, noon-5pm

Free activities for all the family, including sports taster sessions, a mobile climbing wall, a 60 metre running track, free health checks, golf and dance performances

King George's Park, Wandsworth www.wandsworth.gov.uk/active

Herne Hill Harriers Athletics - Star Track

July 20- September 4

Star Track camps provide a great all round athletics experience for all abilities with a wide variety of events and activities. For children and young people aged 8-16. £10 per day or £40 per week.

Tooting Bec Athletics Track, Tooting Bec Road 07721 555 688 0208 687 0386



Junior Gym

Enjoy a session at the gym. Learn how to use gym equipment correctly and engage in gym activities. These gym sessions are for young people aged 11 -

Latchmere Leisure Centre, Burns Road, **Battersea** 020 8333 7555 www.placesforpeopleleisure.org.

Junior Rowing Courses

July 13-August 28, 9am-12noon and 1pm-4pm

Junior beginners and intermediate courses for young people aged 11 and over. Call to find out when the next suitable course starts and to book your place. £120 per week.

Barn Elms Boathouse, Queen Elizabeth's Walk, Barn Elms 020 8788 9472 bebh@wandsworth.gov.uk www.wandsworth.gov.uk/barnelmsboath

Multi-sports at Aspire

All day fun including basketball, cricket, mini tennis, rounders, team building and more. Call or email for details of date and times.

Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields 020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

Rock Climbing

Suitable for novice climbers and those with some experience. Call or email for details of date and times.

Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields 020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

Rhythmic Gymnastics

This course involves elements of gymnastics, dance and apparatus manipulation, with use of a rope, hoop, bat, clubs and ribbons. Call or email for details of date and times. Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields

020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

Summer Holiday **Swimming Crash Courses**

Learn to swim and improve your technique in a fun and safe environment. There are classes for all abilities for children and young people aged 4 years old and over. Please call to book in advance as spaces are limited. Non members - £41.50 for a five day course. **Tooting Leisure Centre, Greaves Place** (020) 8333 7555

enquiries@tootingleisurecentre.co.uk www.wandsworth.gov.uk/leisurecentres for details of date and times

Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields 020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

Under 8's **Swim For Free**

Under 8's can swim for free at Latchmere Leisure Centre, All children will have to register and get a membership card to swim for free. Latchmere Leisure Centre, Burns Road,

Battersea (020) 7207 8004 enquiries@latchmerelei surecentre.co.uk www.placesforpeople leisure.org

SPORTS & FITNESS

• Teenage Fitness

A supervised session in the Aspire fitness suite for 13-16 year olds. Call or email for details of date and times.

Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields 020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

• Trampolining crash course

July 27-30, August 24-27

For children aged 4-13. £28. Tooting Leisure Centre, Greaves Place 020 8333 7555 annahuntley@pfpleisure.org

Trampolining

Learn some new fun and enjoyable skills involving acrobatics, with simple to complex routines. Call or email for details of date and times.

Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields 020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

Yoga Bugs

Tuesday July 29, 9.30am-11am

Hillbrook Children's Centre, Tooting Yoga for 2-5 year olds. Please call to book a place. Free (020) 8682 7149 07904 207 275

juliette.lloyd@hillbrook.wandsworth.sch.uk

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis



Sky Ride

July 19m, 10am - Wandsworth Common August 23, 10am - Battersea Park

The popular Sky Ride programme of Wandsworth rides for cyclists of all ages and skill levels is back this summer. Wandsworth Council has teamed up with British Cycling and Team Sky to stage a series of rides guided by trained British Cycling ride leaders. Local people will be able to enjoy organised, guided rides of varying distances and difficulties ranging from easy-going spins around picturesque parts of south London through to more challenging rides.

To register for a free guided bike ride and find out more about getting into cycling, visit: goskyride.com/London

• Barnes Rugby Football Club

Barnes 1st XV have returned to National League 2 after a two year absence, and are now looking to recruit new players. As well as men's rugby, there is a Ladies XV and a Mini Rugby section for boys and girls. The club also takes part in a range of social, charity and community activities.

Players of all ages from Minis aged 5, junior players, senior players to Vets and Ladies are welcome.

www.barnesrfc.org



ARTS AND CRAFTS



Arts and Crafts at Aspire

Experiment and get messy. Suitable for children aged 7-13. Call or email for details of date and times.

Aspire Centre, Merton Road, Southfields 020 8875 2603 info@aspire.com

Family Cartoon Workshop Tuesday July 21, 11am-3pm

Learn how to draw basic faces. The course is for mums/dads/carers and 0-16 year olds. Children must be accompanied by an adult and no more than 2 children per adult may attend. Free. No need to book – just turn up. Southside Shopping Centre,

Wandsworth (020) 8871 8490

www.wandsworthlifelonglearning.

Kite Making Workshop Wednesday July 22, 2pm-3.30pm

Learn how to make a kite and then come outside and fly it in the park. For children aged 4-10 years and their dads, mums and carers. Free Southfields Library, 300 Wimbledon Park Road.

020 8780 1945

www.wandsworthlifelonglearning.

• What is Home? July 16-August 9

The work of a group of Arabian artists with divergent concerns from gender roles to the relationships we hold with architectural and historical space. This exhibition is a part of the Shubbak Festival programme - London's largest biennial festival of contemporary Arab culture.

Pump House Gallery, Battersea Park www.pumphousegallery.org.uk (020) 8871 7572.

Putney School of Arts and Design

July 27-31

Courses for young people including art and design for 14-19 year olds, pottery throwing, family learning and drawing and painting for 7-13 year old and one parent.

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/psad (020) 8788 9145

Summer Arts and Crafts Session

Every Monday July 27-August 24, 1pm-3pm

Tooting Leisure Centre, Greaves Place, Tooting

£4.50 (extra sibling £2.50)

Call to book a place 020) 8333 7555 annahuntley@pfpleisure.org

BOOKS

Summer Reading Challenge

Join in this year's Summer Reading Challenge at Wandsworth Libraries

Children are encouraged to read six or more library books of their choice during the summer holidays and we will be giving out prizes, medals and certificates for taking part.

Wandsworth Libraries will be hosting a series of children's events during the summer including dance classes, owl adventures, space explorers and performers, plus a teenage reading programme with film screenings, author events and more. Everyone that completes the challenge will be entered into a draw to win an iPad mini.

www.better.org.uk





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HAVE FUN FOR CHARITY

Sun Walk

July 12, 10am-7pm

Charity walk that starts and finishes on the Boules Area. including family fun day 10:00-19:00

Battersea Park

www.walkthewalk.org/Challenges/TheSunWalkLondon



Ickle Pickle Summer Party

Saturday July 18

Family fun day on Wandsworth Common including funfair rides, giant inflatables, children's entertainers, food and refreshments and some famous children's characters. All profits from the day will go towards supporting Neonatal units and services around London to help sick and premature babies. shanti@icklepickles.orgwww.icklepickles.org www.icklepickles.org.

• The Sumo Run

Saturday July 25

The 5km Sumo Run in Battersea Park is raising money for the charity Link Community Development International. Run in an iinflatable Sumo.

Link works with communities in sub-Saharan Africa to improve access to and the quality of education. The event is for people aged 18 years and over only.

www.sumorun.com/

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

ECC Summer Holiday Activities

The Enhanced Children's Centre is a provision specifically for families with young children (0-5 years) with special educational needs, complex medical needs and disabilities. Summer activities include:

- Trip to Wimbledon Common:
- Water fun:
- Trip to Littlehampton:
- Stay and Play; and
- Summer carnival.

Call for details.

Enhanced Children's Centre, West Hill Primary School, 5 Merton Road (020) 8877 0758

enhancedcc@wandsworth.gov.uk

Lady Allen Adventure Playground

Lady Allen provides a holiday play scheme for adventurous play for disabled children and their siblings from the Borough of Wandsworth. These sessions are for disabled children and young people and their siblings between the ages of 5 -14 years. It offers outdoor and indoor facilities including soft play area, indoor slide, arts and crafts, swings, hammocks, a zip wire, a giant see saw, slides, tree houses and a wide range of two and three wheeled bikes.

Phone and ask to come for a visit on a Saturday with the child. On that visit all forms can be completed and the child's needs can be assessed, normally they will be able to start the following week.

Lady Allen Adventure Playground, Battersea (020) 7228 0278 ian.logan@kids.org.uk www.kids.org.uk

London Recumbents in Battersea Park

Open every day 10am to 5pm

Hire a range of modified cycles including trikes, side by side bikes, wheelchair bikes, tandems and more. Cyclists need comfortable clothing, closed-in shoes and under 18s must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. In order to hire a bike, surety, like a driving licence or bank card, will be required as a deposit. Free for WAND card holders. Find out more about WAND cards at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wandhub 020 8299 6636

info@londonrecumbents.com www.londonrecumbents.com

Cineworld film screenings

July 24 and August 28

Special screenings at Cineworld Southside for members of the Disabled Children's Register. Join the register for updates on support and events for families with disabled children. 020 8871 7899

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/localoffer

about find out

Schools

General information: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools

Admissions: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions

Term dates: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/termdates

Find a school: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schoolsAtoZ



Recycling

General information: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/recycling

What can I recycle?: wwww.wandsworth.gov.uk/recyclefromhome



Arts, leisure and culture

Arts: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/arts

Events: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/events

Libraries: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/libraries

Leisure centres and sport: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/sport



Adult Education: www.wandsworthlifelonglearning.co.uk

Parks

General information: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/parks

Playgrounds and trim trails A-Z: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/playgroundsAtoZ



Health, childcare and parental support

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis





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