

# PARENTS NEWS UK

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# Out & About

#### Fireman Sam Returns to Kent Life Heritage Farm Park

hand

Hall where it was privately

owned and operated on the

estate as there was no public

pulled by horses and teams

fire brigade at the time. It was

of men operated the pump by

Kent Life is a wonderful treat

weather. They can go wild in

area or soft indoor play barn,

as well as enjoy donkey and

tractor rides, water zorbing,

painting a pot and much more.

Kent Life is also a real working

farm, so there are plenty of

alpacas. Young visitors can

farmyard friends in Cuddle

animals to see including pigs,

sheep, ducks, goats, ponies and

even snuggle up to the smaller

face painting, dressing up.

the outdoor adventure play

for children, whatever the

Children's favourite Fireman Sam makes a welcome return to Kent Life Heritage Farm Park, near Maidstone, on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29

Such is the enduring popularity of Fireman Sam that Kent Life has invited him back after the children enjoyed meeting him at the award-winning attraction

He will be appearing at intervals throughout each day meeting his young fans. Kent Life expects lots of interest in the visit, so booking your Kent Life tickets online in advance is recommended to make sure you don't miss out.

You can even see a vintage 1800s Merryweather Fire Engine one of 20 000 artefacts held in Kent Life's historic collection. The fire engine came originally from Cobham

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. Lessons & Hacks

Blowing the Whistle on GDC Scam.

Orthodontists and the General Dental Council are operating an illegal seam to ornaboditists from the General Definal Content are operating as integral sclaim to withhold information from the public about new methods which can avoid almost all extractions and even majorly jaw surgery. This is being done partly to protect traditional methods and partly to preserve the high incomes of orthodomists and

surgeons. Research suggests that this British development is being ignored in the UK while spreading rapidly abroad. As a result hundreds of children and young

adults have extractions and jaw surgery, unaware they may be unnecessar

Some Orthodontists mislead patients, saying that extractions can be avoided

although the traditional methods they use leave too little room, risking severe

damage to the face. It is wise to explore the internet yourself, many sites make

great claims and show beautiful faces but very few show good results before and

Woodland Walk

**Old Barn Stables** 

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Admission to Kent Life is £9.25 adults, £8.25 concessions and £7.25 for children Waffrons Farm, Woodstock Lane South, Chessington, Surrey

(three-15 years). Under-threes and Kent Life members go free. Kent Life is open daily from 10am to 5pm (last admission 4pm). For more details and to book visit

www.kentlife.org.uk

01622 763936

#### Get paddling on a family white-water challenge

Also included for adults

and children is a high ropes

course up in the pine forests

of Villefort, a day's climbing

gorge, and weaselling in the

region's limestone cliffs.

and abseiling in the Chassezac

Families can catch their breath

on relaxing visits to beaches.

and the last day of the week is

spent on a guided tour of one

of the world's most impressive

Nothing is compulsory and a

with the emphasis on families

Holidays are available from

include all professionally-

instructed activities and

July 19 to September 13 and

self-catering accommodation

in mobile homes on a three-star

campsite set among vineyards

in the low mountains of the

Cervenne, near Lablachere,

Tents, equipment and food

are provided on the bivouac

night. The price for adults

and children is £438 for seven

nights (based on a family of

four sharing a mobile home).

dropping to £398 for the last

week beginning September 6.

Travel is not included. Families

may arrange own transport or

combine the activity week with

If you are looking for ways to keep the children entertained while school is out

for the holidays, look no further! The Sports Village, located in Rose Hill Park, is

a reputable and established sports facility with more than 20 years' experience

coaching children and running holiday programmes. Our coaches and camp

leaders are fully-qualified, CRB-checked and completely professional.

a longer stay in France.

making friends and having fun

flexible choice of activities

caves at Aven d'Orgnac.

Banish boredom this summer and treat the kids to some high-adrenaline action in France, Described as 'the ultimate family white-water canoeing adventure' by Family Adventure Holidays 01273-803030

www. familyadventureholidays.com a new break features a thrilling two-day canoe descent of the spectacular Ardeche gorge.

For families with children aged eight years and over, the sevennight Ardeche Adventure promises a truly exhilarating time. No experience is necessary, with highly-qualified and experienced Englishspeaking instructors ensuring everyone's safety at all times.

Canoes tackle a total of 22 rapids and the famous natural stone Pont D'Arc bridge on the Ardeche river as they descend through the magnificent limestone gorge which rises up to 1,000ft in places. A night is spent under canvas at a biyouac site deep in the heart of the gorge where families enjoy a sociable barbecue together in the evening and a hearty breakfast of pancakes next morning before tackling the second day's challenging

canoeing.

#### June 2014 The Bowler Hat

An all-new pop-up theatre in EC4M 7DY for the duration of the Festival, featuring an eclectic mix of children's theatre, stand-up comedy. circus, cabaret, live poetry and much more Children's theatre in the

Bowler Hat- all tickets £6.50 Little Angel Theatre presents 'Dogs Don't Do Ballet' - The sublime and the ridiculous combine in this hilarious story of a small dog with a big personality and even bigger dreams (23 – 27 June) Peut-étre Theatre presents 'The Tin Soldier' - A newly-

minted tin soldier stands on a single leg, having been the last one cast from an old tin spoon. Nearby he spies a paper ballerina, also standing on one leg and the soldier falls in love (7 - 11 July)

James Campbell is a stand-up comedian for children, who proves that comedy for kids is much more than toilet humour (3 July)

Storybook World Cun Football is centre stage in the Bowler Hat as the City's three community libraries - Shoe Lane Library, Barbicar Children's Library and the newly opened Artizan Library unite with the Festival and premier league football clubs o present Saturday morning

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June 2014

Normandy is a great location for family holidays, quick and easy to travel to from the UK and so much to do and see. What better time to go than on the 70th anniversary of D Day. It was hard to visualise the bloody battles that occurred all those years ago now that the landscape and miles of sandy coastline is beautiful and neaceful

The Pegasus Bridge Memorial Ranville

This is one most of us know Courseulles-sur-Mer about thanks to the film The Longest Day, located near to the landing beaches. Dedicated to the solders of the British 6th Airborne Division, the museum provides insight into the various missions they undertook. The majority of artefacts in the museum have been donated by British veterans. In the surrounding land explore the actual Pegasu bridge (bullet holes and all!). a Bailey bridge and a life-size tyres on the bicycle! replica of a Horsa glider. The www.junobeach.org tour guides help you to relive the events that took place, with their enthusiasm knowledge and stories they have been told

run about outside even on the bridge! Well worth the guided www.memorial-pegasus.org

by the many visiting veterans.

This is an excellent one for

small museum plus they can

all children as it's a fairly

#### My Normandy Adventure

Le Memorial De Caen 70 years story of World War II through the end of the cold War 1944-2014. It's a must for a school trip Featuring an underground bunker which was the headquarters of Lieutenant-General Richter in 1944 who played a crucial role in the

Normandy. An audio guide www.memorial-caen.fi

Centre Juno Beach

illustrates the events

first weeks of the Battle of

Situated on the heach where the Canadians actually landed in June 1944. Tours of Juno Park remnants of the Atlantic Wall and bunkers (on the beach) are taken by young Canadian guide giving them an authentic atmosphere to the accounts of the battle. A new 12 minute film They Walk with You is the most poignant film I saw on my trip. Look out for the inventive use of corks instead of rubber

#### Musee Du Debarquement **Utah Beach**

This museum pays tribute to all the American troops who risked and sacrificed their lives for freedom. In ten chronological sequences, it covers the German Occupation the forces that were present on the eye of D-Day Their new treasure is an authentic Martin B-26G Marauder. They have a comprehensive programme of talks by people who witnessed the Landings, 'forties concerts, book signings, etc. Panoramic views out to the beach which thanks to those young troops you can now eniov in freedom

www.utah-beach.com

Memorial De Montormel Situated one hour's drive from the landing beaches, watch on a large model and film the final battle in Normandy. The archive footage, photos, and eyewitness accounts all help to put the final phase into perspective. Then the doors

#### Accommodation

peaches at Sainte Opportune Sylvie and Frédéric will give you the warmest welcome ever; both of them speak perfect English. They offer gites (self-catering), chambre

d'hotes (B&B) and table d'hôte open with a panoramic view of (dinner with your hosts). Each the actual combat zone, now beautiful countryside it's hard of their cottages is picturesque to envisage the devastation that and full of character with the traditional half-timbered cob

www.memorial-montormel

#### Cinema Circulaire

Arromanches 360 New film Normandy's 100 days. Simultaneously projected 360° onto nine screens, this 19 minute film tells the story of the 100 day Normandy Campaign. The film has previously unseen footage from Canadian, American, German, British and French archive sources, paying tribute to the soldiers of all nations.

The cinema overlooking the village of Arromanches, it is just 5 min walk down the hill with great restaurants and a small museum. A beautiful sandy beach, a merry-go-round and looking out to sea you can still see the remains of the artificial port, or 'Mulberry Harbour!

www.arromanches360.com/en

#### This chambre d'hotes owner

La Bergerie

Jean is so enthusiastic about D-Day it's contagious. Set in the countryside not far from Only an hour from the landing Omaha beach expect rural accommodation. The themed breakfast room is in the style of a 1940's bar. The bedrooms are recently refurbished with en suites and they are clean and comfortable

buildings that they actually

comfort rooms to the rural

and bread all homemade

The icing on the cake was a

tour around Suisse Normandy

events and architecture of this

beautiful region in a spacious

was very knowledgeable about

the historical events and feed

us on a wonderful picnic with

local produce and homemade

Thoroughly recommend to

all, great for families with

gardens to explore and secure

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recines

playground.

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and comfortable cab. Sylvie

was delicious with the pizza

restored themselves. From the

Clamber into Jean ieen transported 70 years. Choose either a guided tour of the battlefields with this local expert, or a night time's reenactment of the parachutist's journey. This is an assault quirky furnishings via the clean of your senses with realistic sounds and smells. Anticipation gardens this is a must. The food of being caught (in this safe environment) is thrilling. If you book for the tours it's worth asking for a translator as Jean only speaks French and the next day in a purple London it's a shame to miss out on the taxi expertly driven by Sylvie, I local anecdotes enjoyed learning about the local www.batterie-du-holdy.com

#### Residence Le Chant des

#### Oiseaux

Pierre & Vacances has a range of anartments across Normandy that is ideal for families. On the coast and within 30 minutes drive of the Pegasus Museum is the Residence Le Chant des Oiseaux in Courseulles-sur-Mer overlooking the Juno landing area. Prices in June (D-Day itself is sold out) start from £457 for a 7 nights in a 1 bedroom apartment sleeping 4. These are clean snacious anartments with the ability to hire linen, heated indoor swimming pool and children playground. For more

www.pierreetvacances.co.uk

articles on-line

www. parents-news.co.uk



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Returning to learning but not sure what to study? Discover your nathway on this skills taster 9th June to 11th June 2014

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Beginners IT 27th June to 29th June 2014

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Improving Productivity Using ICT Level 2 11th July to 20th July 2014 (Runs over 2 consecutive weekends)

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Creative Reading, Writing and Speaking 3 30th June to 4th July 2014

English for Rusty Students 11th July to 13th July 2014

Make the Most of Time and Money 18th July to 20th July 2014

Careers and Enterprise

Start-up & Stilettos: Using Social Media 6th June to 8th June 2014

Hillcroft College, South Bank, Surbiton, Surrey, KT6 6DF Dyslexia / Dyspraxia strategies

For more information on our courses, visit www.hillcroft.ac.uk. If you would prefer to talk to someone, call our team on 020 8399 2688 or email us at enquiry@hillcroft ac uk

Introduction to Careers in Beauty, Spas, Hair and Nails 16th June to 20th June 2014

(Monday to Friday) Introduction to Accounting 20th June to 22nd June 2014

Introduction to the Security Services 4th July to 6th July 2014 (Weekend)

Introduction to Careers in Fashion. Crafts and Retail 7th July to 11th July 2014 (Monday to Friday)

AAT Access Level 1 (This course runs Monday to Thursday over

consecutive weeks) ESOL: English for speakers of other Languages

ESOL: Employment and Job-seeking 6th June to 8th June 2014

FSOI: Communication Skills 27th June to 29th June 2014

ESOL: Emails and Formal Letters 11th July to 13th July 2014

**ESOL: Summer Schoo** (Thursday to Thursday)

Digital Arts

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7th July to 11th July 2014 (Monday to Friday)

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by natural methods No 'Train Tracks'





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GROW....

...London, a new contemporary garden fair, will burst into bloom for the first time on Hampstead Heath, 20-22 June A fresh, innovative approach to gardening arrives in London this summer when GROW London launches its first show on Hampstead Heath. A destination event where design lovers are as inspired and stimulated as passionate plants-people. GROW London is an exciting sourcebook of all that's best in the world of contemporary gardens. Around 100 national and international exhibitors have been handpicked by GROW London to showcase an unrivalled selection of garder products, from contemporary and classic garden furniture and the finest handmade tools. to chic accessories and unusual plants from some of the UK's finest nurseries. The interior of the 5000 square metre air-conditioned marquee will he beautifully designed by Shane Connolly, famed for his

James will be presenting a futuristic oak building which will be surrounded by a stunning pop-up The three-day show offers a varied programme of free talks, demonstrations

decoration of Westminster

Abbey for the wedding

of Cambridge, while

of the Duke and Duchess

outside, architect Roderick

and workshops packed with ideas on how to transform your outside

01580 830196 Uncovering Bodiam's secret history. 15 June Father's Day BBO New LegoLand Windsor

01753 621621 Pirates Landing Open Day with guided tour. 21 gets a major re-vamp to become June Midsummer Eve garden New Pirates Shores featuring Castaway Camp a new pirate adventure play area with more than 100 brand new Lego modes & themed features on the Day tea, 20 June Paint the Pirate Falls Treasure Quest log garden with artist & tutor Julie flume ride, plus a new themed restaurant plus lots more on

Every Wed Heaven at Nutfield 19 High Street www. looking for up to 10 species of heaven-nutfield.com. Smiley Faces music group for babies & toddlers for up to 2yrs & 2-4yrs, there is also a playroom for under 5's, a café & a crèche.

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

under 5's Club.

June Royal Submarine Museum 02392 545034 Lighting the Way a shadow puppet play watch the incredible story of the secret

space, no matter how large or small. Speakers include landscape designer Chris Beardshaw, designer and broadcaster James Alexander Sinclair Otter Form's Mark Diacono, community gardening expert Naomi Schillinger, award-winning garden writer Val Bourne and children's gardening expert Dawn Isaac. Traditional crafts such as trug and basket making will be given a contemporary twist, with demonstrations

A stylish café and bar hosted by Laithwaite's Wine and featuring English champagne and wine, will offer visitors a chance to relax while they plan how to transform their outside

running throughout the show

GROW London will ensure you leave with everything you need to create the garden of vour dreams!



Out & About

throughout June midget x-craft submarines at Bodiam Castle Robertsbridge D-Day & then make your own shadow puppet, FREE with a valid museum ticket. 7-8 June Standen Grinstead 01342 323029 NGS

> 7,28 June Bateman's Burwash 01435 882302 Summer garden tours & tea. 15 June Father's King.

10 June Devil's Dyke West Sussex 01273 857712 Wolstonbury orchid safari orchid.

17 June Alfriston Clergy House Polegate 01323 870001 NGS Day & garden tour. 17June Theatre Royal Brighton 08700 606 680 Morecombe brand new production of the

21 June Sheffield Park and Garden Nr Haywards Heath East Sussex 0825 790231 Midsummer evening stroll & picnic. Until 17 July International Garden Photographer of the Year Exhibition.

West End play.

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display offers insights into the

lives of children and teenagers

On public display for the first

time and dating from 1813 to

1996, they include Godfrey

journal, begun in 1881; the

writings of a Girl Scout from

the 1930s; and 12-year-old Bill

Kirkman's account of VE Day.

The diaries reveal changes in

the experience of childhood

over time and are a valuable

record of social history. Free.

HAND ME OVER HAND ME

24 MAY 2014 - 31 AUGUST

Artist Annabel Stockman's

photographic project will be

clothing and possessions of

husband adopted their two

children. The photographs

document the clothes, toys

keep sakes and good luck

well as 65 other adopted

charms that their children, as

children, brought with them

to begin their new lives in the

UK. Their possessions reflect

the culture and traditions of

their previous homes, the

relationships they had with

hopes of those carers. Free

their carers, and the fears or

an adopted child. The project

began after Stockman and her

displayed alongside the

Williams' boarding school

at particular moments in

history.

DISPLAY

DOWNS

WHAT'S ON AT THE V&A MUSEUM OF CHILDHOOD IN JUNE

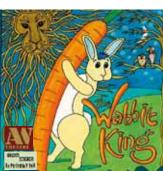
www.vam.ac.uk/moc DAYDREAMS AND DIARIES - THE STORY OF IACOUELINE WILSON 5 APRIL - 2 NOVEMBER This exhibition explores the life and work of one of Britain's best loved children's

Dame Jacqueline Wilson has written nearly 100 books and over 30 million copies sold in the UK alone. The exhibition features original notebooks and extracts from some of her favourite books including The Story of Tracy Beaker The Illustrated Mum and Hetty Feather as well as artwork by illustrator Nick Sharratt with whom she has worked for over

20 years Free NEW DISPLAY TOY STORIES 7 JUNE - 14 DECEMBER A display of 20 portrait photographs taken by Italian photographer Gabriele Galimberti exploring the role and function of toys in the lives of children around the globe. The portraits reflect the impac of the children's backgrounds and families on their choice of toys and highlight the universality of play. Free., DISPLAY THE GREAT DIARY

PROJECT 17 MAY - 12 OCTOBER For advance booking, email Documents from the Great mocbookings@vam.ac.uk Diary Project archive at the or call Bishopsgate Institute, this

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



#### June 2014 THE LONGEST DAY CHALLENGE

How far can you cycle in 24 This is the challenge from

a group of regulars at the Chequers Inn Pub at Laddingford, near Maidstone, who hope to raise more than f 16 000 for Pembury-based charity Pepenbury through a team cycling challenge called The Longest Day.

They seek teams to take part in this 24 hour team cycle challenge which will take place, appropriately, on the Summer Solstice June 21. The starting point will be The Chequers Inn. Laddingford, but there is no fixed destination. However, there will be several different challenges and teams can choose their own goal.

The challenges are Furtherest distance as the crow Furtherest distance in road miles

Longest loop in road miles For those who want to turn up, do the event and get back to the start Most unusual destination

Most unusual location en route Anyone could win this. Assuming you participate, a good picture of somewhere unusual could bag you top spot Most countries visited Photographic evidence of every country visited is expected if you are mad enough to go for this one

For the toughest riders it will be about endurance and distance. For some the biggest kudos will come from cycling the longest distance challenge. Others may want to consider the most unusual destination or the unusual location challenges. Photographic evidence of each team's location must be provided within 24 hours of finishing the Each team must have four

costs £25 per person. The Chequers have their own team of 20 plus cycling enthusiasts, the Chequers Racers who are organising the challenge. This new event to supports Pepenbury with the aim of raising £16,438 - the amount of money needed per day to keep running the services for people with learning and other disabilities To enter a team or find out more information see:

members and the event is

limited to 40 teams. Entrance

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## Out & About

#### WWT London Wetland Centre

Mondays in June 2.9.16.23.30 discover more about sedges. Pond dipping for adults 12.00-12.45 and 3.00-3.45 Why should children have all the fun messing about in ponds? This is a chance for adult visitors to WWT London Wetland Centre to roll up their sleeves and enjoy a spot of pond dipping. Come on a Pond Safari to hunt for the many different kinds of insects and other small animals that live in fresh waters. You may find anything from a diving beetle to a caddisfly larvae and the team will be on hand to tell you about the creatures' behaviours and habitats. No previous knowledge is required, the sessions are just for fun; for neonle who want to know a bit more about the mysterious animals that live at the bottom of a pond. Meet in the Pond Zone. No need to book - it's a drop-in session so just turn up! Saturday 7 June Members' Walk 1pm Wet woodland walk. Join the warden for a 30 minute walk into the wet woodlands.

an area not usually open to the

public. Wet woodlands are an

increasingly rare habitat and

vet they're a vital ecosystem

you may hear the explosive

by C&A Algar

song of a Cetti's warbler, see

heautiful marsh marigolds and

for some species. On this walk

Nature in close-up: an introduction to macro photography10am - 4pm of the smaller residents of the WWT London Wetland overlooked, but with great photographic and artistic The workshop begins with a short introduction, after outside, creating beautiful images. Through the day they will look at specific technique, for close-up photography. abstract nature. This session is suitable for users of SLR and compact cameras.

The content will be tailored to the needs of course attendees. and with limited numbers there will be plenty of time for 1-2-1 tuition. This workshop is led by

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composition and equipment Subjects may include flowers, butterflies, minibeasts and

020 8409 4400 to reserve your space. Booking essential

conservation work. Places are

limited so please call

Studio'

Booking essential: call Pip Ahoy! airs on Channel 020 8409 4400. 5's Milkshake starting on Sat 28 and Sunday 29 June Dragonfly Weekend 11am and 2pm both day WWT London Wetland Centre is home to 22 species of Odonata - dragonflies and damselflies - including the rare Hairy dragonfly which first bred here in 2010. They from the age of two, Pip breed around the shallow ponds Ahoy! will bring fun and and pools, and their voracious larvae develop underwater. Summer is a great time for dragonfly spotting as they'll be hunting smaller flying insects Entertainment's hugely across the reserve. Throughout the weekend the British Dragonfly Society will answer your dragonfly questions Knowledgeable Henry Curry and the team will lead walks to find out more of the perfect habitats for these insects. Also short dragonfly talks for fascinating facts about dragonflies and damselflies Fuchsia. This walk is free with admission to the Centre but Pip Ahoy! visit they appreciate a donation which will go towards WWT's

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of the meat consumed in the UK (Defra)



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#### How Many Animals? (Defra)



32 million sheep & lambs

4.5 million pigs

1.8 million dairy cattle and calves

1.7 million beef cattle Livestock numbers, UK, Defra

#### What Do We Grow? (Defra)

1.9m hectares of wheat 1m hectares of barley

756k hectares of oilseeds 158k hectares of maize

122k hectares of oats

149k hectares of potatoes 123k hectares of vegetable

9k hectares of soft fruit &

wine grapes Area of arable and horticultural crops, UK, Defra

Find out more about British food and farming at an Open Farm Sunday event

Hundreds of farms will be opening on 8th June. Find your nearest farm at:

www.farmsunday.org











South Recreation Ground Car Green beginners, 2 miles last approx Road Crovdon 020-8760 5707 Fitness Trails adults & children of all levels to get fit & keep fit. Positioned at each station are signs showing the exercise to be undertaken with the suggested number of number repetitions Ongoing Dunass Hill Outdoor Gvm Each item has clear instruction for its use over 12's. Ongoing Run off your Feet FREE running sessions across Kent, women & men of all ages & abilities are putting on their trainers & jogging the streets & parks of Kent all part of a county wide campaign to get people running to feel fitter, healthier

& happier. In Kent leaders have been trained to set up local running groups & they are keen to welcome new runners. Get your first running session FREE at your local group when you mention PARENTS NEWS All groups are led by qualified, enthusiastic friendly leaders. To find your local group visit www.kentsnort.org/rungroups. Tel: 07730 870696. Recently re-opened Kidplay

282-284 Addiscombe Road Croydon Softplay & café under 5's Sun of the month

Tonbridge Farmers Market Sovereign Way 07876 685853 Held in Sovereign Way with normally 70 stalls

Every Mon Lloyd Park 020 through Lloyd Park & Shirley of arts & arts from making

on mainly flat terrain, ideal for face masks, cards, painting, 1hr. meet 11am FREE & same walk on notentially hilly terrain 3+miles ideal for advanced walkers, 2pm, FREE. Every Sat Park run, FREE weekly timed 5k run, need to register first. Every Mon Parchmore Community Centre 53-55 Parchmore Road 020 8726 6000 x88965 Circuit for those new to exercise, returning after illness

& the more mature exerciser. Every Mon term time The Assembly Rooms West Wickham Kiddi Cardio toddler fitness 2-5yrs, www. kiddicardio.com Every Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri

morn Blenheim Children & Family Centre Bromley 01689 879145 Toddlers activities Every Tues Coulsdon Library

020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 2-2 1/2+yrs. Every Sat Storytime, under 7's FREE

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

Every Tues Centrale Shopping Centre Croydon www.centrale. co.uk In the Early Learning Centre playtime sessions for 8726 6000 Health walk circular children all ages with all kinds

colouring or just play, FREE, 10-12pm, Tel: 020 8686 7535. Every Tues Thornton Heath 020 8726 6900 Library Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers, FREE. Every Tues Careers, training & learning advice sessions, 2-4 30nm FREE & Computer training courses for beginners to experts.

Every Tues De Staffords Leisure Centre Caterham 01883 344355 Family Swim. Every Tues Riddlesdown Circular Walk 020 8726 6000 x64952 Health walk 2-3miles, meet 11am at 'Good Companions' pub, Hamsey Green, FREE.

Every Wed Sanderstead Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart rhymetime babies & toddlers Wiggle & Jiggle. 18mths+vrs. Storytime 2 1/2

+yrs. Fortnightly Rock & Rhyme for pre-school children, FREE

**Every Wed Unitarian Church** 1 The Flyover 020 8726 6000 x88965 Zumba Latin inspired dance music & rhythms, all abilities.

Every Wed during term time Sydenham Tennis Club 020 8778 4217 Tennis drop in sessions for 8-11vrs

Every Wed & Sat Millennium Arena Battersea Park 020 8871 7542 Drop in tennis sessions 5. Every Thurs Norbury Park & toddlers. Every Tues Wiggle and Norwood Grove 020 & Jiggle, 2-4yrs. Alternate Sa Rock & Rhyme or Storytime. 8726 6900 A circular walk through Norbury Park & FREE Norwood Grove, 2-3 miles, Every Fri Shirley Library 020 meet at Norbury Train Station.

1.30pm, FREE. 21

Every Thurs Croydon Sports

College Croydon High School

020 8726 6000 x88965 Circuits

Low intensity for mature

**Every Thurs South Norwood** 

Leisure Centre 164 Portland

Road 020 8726 6000 x88965

Every Fri Bradmore Green

Library Old Coulsdon 020

8726 6000 X64952 Bookstart

Rhymetime for babies &

toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 2-

4yrs. Every Mon Storytime 2

1/2+vrs & Chatterbooks reading

group for 8-11yrs. Fortnightl

Every Sat Rhymetime, FREE...

Every Fri Broad Green

Bookstart Rhymetime 0-5yrs.

Rhyme for pre-school children.

Every Wed Arty Crafty

under 5's, parents & carers,

Bookstart Rhymetime for babies

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Every Fri

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Every Fri New Addingtor Library 020 8253 1023 Rookstart Rhymeitme for babies & toddlers & Wiggle & Jiggle, 18mths+, FREE. Every Fri Norbury Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstar Rhymetime. Every Thurs Wiggle & Jiggle Alternate Sat Rock & Rhyme followed by Storytime. Last Fri of each

month Chatter Books reading

group for 8-12vrs. FREE Every Fri Selsdon Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart rhymetime for babies & toddlers, Wiggle & Jiggle, 18mths+, Every Tues Storytime for pre-school children. Every Sat Rock & Rhyme for preschoolers. 1st Tues of the month Arty Crafty, 4-8yrs plus parents & siblings, Every Sat afternoor teenage reading group. Last Thurs of month adult group. Every Fri Waddon Ponds &

Wandle Park 020 8656 5947

Circular walk through, 2-3

miles, meet outside Lidl, 11am

Every Fri Thornton Heatl Leisure Centre 89-110 High Street 020 8726 6000 x88965 Aquacise pay as you go sessions.

Every Fri Pavillion Leisure Centre Kentish Way Bromley 020 8313 9911 Families & under 11's Roller Disco sessions, 4.30 5.45pm & Families & unde 16's Roller Disco sessions with full skate & safety equipment provided, doors open 6.15pm. Tel: 07970 266790.

Every Tues Ashburton Library 020 8726 6900 Bookstart Rhymetime for babies & toddlers. Every Thurs Wiggle & Jiggle for toddlers. Every Mon Chatterbooks drop in sessions, 8-11vrs, Every Sa Rock & Rhyme for babies & toddlers. Every Wed Social club for older people for a chat & a cup of tea. Every Thurs term time only storytime for under 7's FREE. Every Sat The Green Dragon

58-60 High Street Croydon 020 8667 0684 Storytime for families 3-7yrs, drop in 2hr session with stories, puppets, arts activities & songs. FREE New Tonbridge Swimming Pool Lower Castle Field 01732 367449 Kickstart a brand new all inclusive membership with unlimited access which offers a wide range of activities for under 10's. Every Tues & Thur

erm time only parent & child Every Sat morn Norman Park Haves Lane Bromley Kent 020

fun swim.

8460 5291 Soccer School, 4-6.7-9 & 10+vrs. some of Mrs Wolfe's 18th 1 June Gatton Park 01737 649066 www.gattonpark.com

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June Smallhythe Place

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Sherlock Holmes talk by Robert

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challenge, construct a mini raft,

make a camouflage crown &

build dens. 21-27 June National

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a mysterious insect in your

garden, bring it along for the

Entomologists to identify. See

insect predators in action under

a microscope learn to make a

trap to find out what lives in

your garden & test yourself

on whether insects are pests or

gardeners friends. 28-29 June

Arts Fest there will be a carnival

atmosphere with live music.

theatre performances, literary

talks & book signing, craft

020 8688 9291 The Classical

roadshow presents Dreamtime

Tales for 7-11vrs, 12 June

An Evening with the stars of

Strictly Come Dancing. 15 June

Carnaby Street, The Concert.

KS2 Instrumental Festival 30

June We Sing U Sing Summer

from Croydon & surrounding

Sanderstead 020 8726 6000

Toddler Walk meet at 0.30am

by the woodland entrance off

Orchard Road for 1 1/2

King's Wood

boroughs.

10 June

9 June Sutton Music Service

happens behind the scenes.

by Q&As. 28 June Memories

1 June Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice Farnham, Surrey Plant Sale, 10-1pm, entrance FREE, all proceeds to hospice. June Wandsworth Museum Garrett Lane SW18 020 8871 7074 Ready, Steady, Play with fossils & bones, theme led playtime & songs for tots & their parents or carers, 6mths-3yrs. 12 June Songs & Stories for Terrific Tots, 6mths-3vrs, 1 June Ready, Steady, Play with shops as the theme, 6mths-3vrs. 26 June Songs & stories for Terrific Tots, toys from the past

Gardens & Park open.

theme, 6mths-3vrs. 5-26 June Claremont Landscape Gardens 01372 467806 Teddy Bears' Picnic & Storytelling, bring along a teddy. 8 June Have a Go Archery Day, 15 June Father's Day The Surrey Classic Vehicle Club will be displaying the vintage cars by the lake from

10.30a.m 6-8 13-15 20-22 June Fildon Sea Hollow Road Sevenoaks 01732 453808 Artists' Open Studiio exhibition of paintings, linocuts, screenprints, jewellery plus visitors are welcome to watch demonstrations & talk to the artists. FREE entry.

June Horley Carnival A23 Recreation Ground 01293 784965 The carnival procession will be starting from the Victoria Road car park & making its way into Massetts Road & then Russells Crescent & onto Victoria Road & into the Recreation Ground where will be lots of entertainment with children's fairground rides, bands playing dance demonstrations & lots of things to see & eat.

June Barn Theatre Oxted 01883 724852 Let us Entertain You Too with local choirs. theatre & dance schools & a magician. 13 June Nicholas Nickleby.

7 June Quebec House Westerham 01732 868381 With man & musket an 18th century surveyor explains how map makers played a key role in the

10 June Kings Wood 020 Ouebec campaign, Every Sun 8726 6000 Toddler Walk forest Mrs Wolfe's recipes recreate school inspired woodland century recipes including potato ramble at toddler speed, 1 1/2 pudding & lemon drops. Every 2hr

14 June RSPCA Millbrook Animal Centre 0300 123 0740 RSPCA Car Boot Sale all proceeds to animal welfare. 14 June Biggin Hill Airport

Kent 01959 540959 Festival of Flight Craft Marquee with around 40 craft stalls, fashion stalls, shopping, fresh cakes & lots more, 12-8pm 14 June Hutchinson's Bank

020 8726 6900 Longer walk to search for the not so common small blue butterfly & marvel at the orchards, meet at 11a.m at the junction of Featherhed Lane & Farleigh Crescent.

14 June St John's School Gravesend 07805 477973 Monica's Vintage Fair selling vintage & retro clothing & accessories plus entertainment with songs & swing from the 1940's. There will also be a pop up beauty parlour for hair & make-up styling giving hints & tips on creating vintage looks plus lots more on offer, www.

June Foxbills Club & Resort Stonehill Road. 01932 704451 Ottershaw George's Marvellous Medicine June Birdworld Farnham 01420 22140 Annual Father's Day Paper Plane competition with survival skills challenge. construct a mini raft, make a camouflage crown & build

demonstrations, art workshops 15 June Chartwell Westerham 10 June Concert Hall Fairfield 01732 868381 Fathers Day treat your father to a traditional 3-course lunch, 24-28 June Poppy tours see Churchill's possessions highlighting his World War

15 June Selsdon Wood Nature Reserve Old Farleigh Road Selsdon 020 8726 6900 Walk Song Festival night filled in search of wild flowers in the with children & young people woods & fields, 1 1/2 hr walk, meet 11am in Selsdon Wood car park.

15 June Chartwell Westerham 01732 868381 Fathers Day treat your father to a traditional 3-course lunch. 24-28 June Poppy tours see Churchill's

associations with the First World War

Fairfield Croydon 020 8688 9291 Under Milk Wood 12+yrs. 26 June The Magic of Jerome Kern West End Songbook 16-21 June Churchill Theatre

High Street Bromley 08448 717 620 Rock of Ages 21 June Oxted Food & Drink

Festival Master Park Oxted 07968 760001 Live Cooking demonstrations including BBC Ready Steady Cook chef Tony Tobin who will be demonstrating a taster dish of barbequed scallops & local chef Maxwell McKenzie will be on hand cooking some of his dishes & visitors can sample gourmet dishes paired with elegant wines. The Cookies kitchen will be running children's cookery classes teaching budding chefs how to make butter, tickets www.oxtedfoodfestival.com. entrance children FREE.

21 June Pirbright Scarecrow Festival The Green Pirbright 01483 481435 This year's theme is 'Historical Characters' & there will be a medieval reenactment on the village green. There will also be a giant bbq, archery & falconry display. pony rides, traditional village games. Pimms tent & cream teas plus lots more, FREE entry & FREE parking.

June Hollowdene Recreation Ground Frensham www. gattoncommunitytheatre 01252795588 Frensham Village org.uk/tickets

nunch & judy childrens games

& plenty of different types of 16-21 June Ashcroft Theatre food & drink for you to enjoy. The childrens parade will set off from Shortfield Common at 12.30pm with the Fayre officially opening at 1pm.

21 June Hall Place Bexley 01322 621238 A Midsummer's Night of Butterflies includes a tour of the outdoor gardens that explains the best planting for our UK species & how we can all help butterfly conservation. 29 June Kent Plant Fairs Roadshow with gardening advice from 'The Plant Doctor', FREE entry. On the 1st Sat of erv month until 31 Aug meet Jessica the artist as she reads from the book & demonstrates

21 June Surrey Heath Museum 01276 707284 Craft Sessions, Investigating Insects. special drop in day of insect activities to celebrate National Insect week, 23-29 June.

how a letterpress works.

21-22 June New Addington Carnival 07758 120128 Large Carnival weekend with arena acts, Bottons family fun fair, large car boot sale plus many other stalls. Entrance FREE & Arena Acts FREE

21,22,28-29 June Reigate Fort Tales from the Surrey Hills Open Air Theatre stories of highwaymen, smugglers, airmen, soldiers & lovers for all ages, tickets 07974 017524

possessions highlighting his Fayre with Morris dancing, 22 June Orchard Theatre Dartford 01322 220000 Last Nights of the Proms 22 June Devilsden Wood &

Happy Valley 020 8684 4000 Orchid & Summer Wild flower Foray leisurely ramble in search of orchids & other colourful wild flowers, a 2 mile walk over 1 1/4 hrs

24-28 June Charles Cryer Theatre 39 High Street Carshalton 020-8770 4950 Goodnight Mister Tom the musical Every Wed Spiral Youth Theatre for 13+vrs members learn a variety of activities such as drama, dance & singing, musical theatre composition. set design & costume making culminating in two productions ner year & Every Thurs Minis & Juniors 5-7vrs

June Sanderstead to Whyteleafe Countryside Wood 020 8726 6900 Family Nature play a Forest School inspired walk for parents to experience the magic of spending time outdoors with their children, go tracking, get closer to minibeasts & light a fire by friction, 5+yrs, limited places need to book

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#### HISTORY

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Where? need to get the kids fit and (Witches' Water) in Söll. where you can discover sounds through stone and water, follow the secrets of the sun

dead about 600 years before the Pyramids were built in Egypt or before Stonehenge. Research continues to throw up new information Visit Umhausen in the Otztal and take the children back in time on a visit to the Otzi Village, an open-air archaeological park where they can see and experience the way of life when Otzi was alive. Family ticket costs €17, for 2 adults and 2 children over 6 yrs

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www.inghams.co.uk Depart in July or August and stay at the 4\* Hotel Edelweiss and Gurgl for 7 nights on half board with prices starting from £2.229 for a family of four in a large family room, including flights from Gatwick and resort transfers. Free daily activity

A family holiday in the mountains is just what you healthy this summer. The Wilder Kaiser region is home to six family adventure parks, including the Hexenwasser

wind and weather, have a go at bread baking or for a real buzz visit the Bee Garden. Over at Fllmi's Magic World on the Hartkaiser in Ellman embark on a mystical journey following in the footsteps of the sorcerer's apprentice Ellmi Take the funicular railway up to 1555m and enjoy amazing views whilst the children have fun with swings, trampoline, carousel, climbing castle and much more. In Scheffau the KaiserWelt Scheffau has tree cabins, climbing walls, zip wires and swings. Families holidaying in the Wilder Kaiser region will never be short of things to do with horse riding, cycling or swimming nearby in the nicturesque Hintersteinsee lake above Scheffau

#### Crystal Summer www.crystalsummer.co.uk 0871 231 2256

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www.wilderkaiser.info

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#### The Literacy Lounge

The Literacy Lounge, founded by Anne Goodsall in 2008 is a tutorial school for individual and small group studies. After considerable success it expanded with centres in Chessington and Surbiton. 2014 also extends the 11+ Simulation Tests, putting candidates at ease The Summer Break is the perfect time for children to enjoy themselves. Creative arts and skills-based activities are offered weekly, throughout the Summer from 28th July until 29th August. Do you need safe, fun activities

The Literacy Lounge's team of dedicated professionals have organised Summer activities to give your children a break from routines and rotas, providing fun for all, whilst affording peace of mind for busy parents. Activities available include; Cooking for Children, Cooking 4 College, painting, craft, drawing, composition, photography, dreamy drama, computing, board-games and lots of fun. Literacy Lounge staff are DBS (CRB) checked

www.literacylounge.co.uk 020 8397 8262

#### June 2014

#### Natural History Museum The B-type scientists report the latest finds Battle Bus

June 2014

Night Safari: Back from the Monday 9 June 2014 For those with a scientific curiosity, the Natural History Museum is providing the chance to hear first-hand reports of discoveries unearthed during recent fieldwork from a group of its scientists. A unique alternative to the tired pub meet, the evening presentation, Back from the Field, is part of the museum's Night Safari with MasterCard series of events, which introduce guests to a multitude of weird and wonderful creatures from across the globe. Once the Museum doors have closed for the day, guests will have the chance to unwind over

a drink in the iconic Central

three Museum scientists who

Hall before hearing from

have recently returned from scientific expeditions. Guests will learn about their methods hear new findings and discover why their work is so valuable to science. It's a chance to experience the mysterious air of the museum after dark, taking in the galleries and inspiring architecture while roaming the galleries at night. To book tickets to Night Safari: Rack from the Field www.nhm.ac.uk/night-safari Date: Monday 9 June 2014 Time: 19.00-22.00, doors open at 18.30

Admission: adults £28. members £25 Not suitable for children under Tickets must be booked online.

020 7942 5000 Nearest tube: South Kensington www.nhm.ac.uk/night-safari



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#### SCHOOL

14 June - St Michael's School, Viewfield Road, Southfields Summer Fete. Hollywood meets Bolywood with giant slides, bouncy castle, Asian food stall ANZAC bbq, plant stall, raffle, traditional side stall games, live entertainment including Bollywood dance workshop, 12-4pm.

Morden tent & stalls, 1-5pm 020 8542 6936

World Cup Summer Carnival St Faith's School Alma Road Saturday 28th June 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lots of fun, food and Inflatable slid Striker Bouncy castle Police car Face painting Tuck shop Cake sale Pocket money Tombola Raffle Lots of different stalls

Members of interAKtive will be celebrating 20 years of the autism charity with a Gala Dinner Dance at Surrey Downs Golf Club on Friday 20th June. The fundraising event will feature live music from RAAS Jazz of the Roya Alexander and Albert School plus a grand charity raffle and auction.

5 July- Hillcross Primary School, Ashridge Way, Summer Fair Lights Camera Action theme with archery, body zorbing, inflatable rodeo, bbq, international food, beer

drinks 47ft obstacle course

# Surrey Autism Charity Celebrating 20 Years

Phil Tuffnell, former

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donated signed father &

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draws and paints detailed

cityscapes has donated a

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Shard' and Centre Parcs

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The grand charity raffle

on Park Lane. View from

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more than one child) who is on the autism spectrum, or a child with a similar communication trips and outings for the children and a tremendously

difficulty. The charity organises popular playscheme during the Faster and summer holidays as well as organising conferences

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Email: innerlondon@beanstalkcharity.org.uk

help you with your investigations, The Queen's Gallery Buckingham Palace London 020 7766 7301 Become an explorer & discover the exhibition with activity bags for families. Using the bags find out which animals the adventurers shared the Antartic with and what early explorers wore to protect themselves from the cold. Daily Victoria & Albert Museum Cromwell Road 020 7942 2000 Back Packs families can pick un an activity back pack filled with

jigsaws, stories & games to explore the collection, 4-11vrs, Activity Cart hands on art fun for children to create a Samuri helmet a silver goblet or an elephant mask to take home, FREE, drop in plus Agent Animal bag a sensory activity bag that has been developed for under 5's containing an audio map & fabric cubes, FREE. The Royal

Observatory Greenwich 020 tortoises, armadillos, meerkats & 8858 4422 Longitude Punk'd will celebrate the creations of wacky inventors, star gazing scientists & explorers of the 18th century.

Ongoing Royal Air Force Museum

Grahame Park Way Hendon 020 8259 Offering fine foods & fresh 8205 2266 Airfix exhibition with some of Airfix's most popular models from the 50.60s & 70's.

Ongoing Imperial War Museum Lambeth Road 020 7416 5439 A Family in Wartime exhibition explores the lives of William & Alice Allpress & their ten children & what life in London was like People's Theatre workshops, various

is brought to life through interactive exhibits photographs recorded interviews with the family, archive film footage & more FREE

Ongoing Royal Mews Buckingham groups may explore a range of self directed activities from the art trolley, 5-11yrs,

Ongoing Royal Academy of Arts museum visitors take on the form 020 7300 8000 www.rovalacademy. org.uk New policy all children under 12yrs of age will have FREE entry to all exhibitions. Ongoing Churchill War Rooms

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

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www.nationalgallery.org.uk 020 7747 2885 Family workshops for families bringing paintings alive & listening to a themed story on the magic carpet, plus FREE family

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London Calendar

Bankside SE1 020 7887 8008 Open Studio play & create with ideas & materials from artworks in the collection displays for all ages. Daily Family resources with paper based activities for families all ages, FREE Daily Children's Multimedia Guide keeps children entertained & animates art works through music. video clips &entertaining games, 5+vrs Daily Under 5's Zone a new play space for families, FREE. weekend Start Sessions with games, map making & clue

matching, 5+yrs, FREE. Every weekend Temple Station 020 7222 1234 Harry Potter Locations Tour, 2 1/2 hrs.

weekend Greenwich Clocktower Market Greenwich High Road Quirky weekend market has 50 stalls specialising in vintage, retro & antiques with a fev contemporary craft stalls FREE www.clocktowermarket. co.uk weekend Tate Britain

Millbank London 020 7887 8888 Liminal invites visitors into a physical material & social touch interaction & collaboration all ages, FREE. Every weekend Art Trolley sessions encourages children to imagine & create collages & lots more, FREE, Every Wee Children's Multimedia Guide fun & interactive a sensory experience for all the family to enjoy, 5+yrs. Daily Family Resources provides questions & activities which encourage children & families to explore art works, FREE, Daily

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June The Scoop at More London South Bank 020 7403 4866 More London Festival Street Party a celebration of Latin & Caribbean food & music, enjoy performance for world bands & band troupes & sample some of London's best street food. Each day will see a slightly different theme. Wed, is Brazilian, Thurs. is Salsa & Samba Fri. is live Latin performances & Sat is the street party with everyone performing along with dancers form Brazil & the Caribbean, all ages

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