

October holiday activity newsletter 2022

Welcome to the October Half Term '22 edition of Let's Get Out and About! In this edition, you will find out more about what is on in your local area during the half term break. Please remember to check the websites of venues before visiting as in some cases advance booking may be required.

You can celebrate Black History Month by exploring activities at your local libraries, have fun with nature with some autumn themed activities. You can get excited by the upcoming fireworks festivities and learn more about the historical events and traditions that influence today's celebrations, and you can embrace your spooky side with some creative Hallowe'en ideas.

SPOTLIGHT ON: Finding Diwali at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich.

Experience the festival of lights **free** at the **National Maritime Museum** on **Saturday 22 October 10am- 8.30pm** Experience the sights, sounds, tastes, and smells of the Festival of Light, and enjoy an incredible range of free live music, workshops, art displays and more. All events on the day are free. You can book Museum tickets in advance to guarantee entry, or simply turn up on the day and join the celebrations.



How to get there - London Underground: Docklands Light Railway (DLR) will take you direct to Cutty Sark station. The DLR connects with Underground lines at Bank (**Central** Line)

<u>Diwali 2022 London | Event at the National Maritime Museum (rmg.co.uk)</u> for all details.

Design a mask inspired by objects from ancient Egypt in this **free**, drop-in event at **The British Museum**, Great Russell Street, WC1B Discover headpieces from ancient Egypt, then use tablets to create your own striking design, using different colours to convey your family's personality. You can then print your finished mask to take home and wear. When? This event runs between **10am –4pm** on the following days:

Saturday 22 October, Saturday 29 October, Saturday 10 December

Making masks: ancient Egypt | British Museum to book a free ticket and how to get there.

Gunnersbury Park & Museum

From **Free** Family Trails to <u>Make and Take: Diwali Fairy Lights Garland</u> (**Free** - no need to book. Suggested donation of £2) Halloween Pumpkin Carving to Design an Alien Day (both chargeable) there is something for everyone on offer at Gunnersbury during October half term. Find out about dates and times. Acton Town Tube Station (Piccadilly and District lines) or South Ealing Tuk



times. Acton Town Tube Station (Piccadilly and District lines) or South Ealing Tube Station (Piccadilly line) then 10 mins walk either route. Buses E3 and 65. Children & Families | Gunnersbury (visitgunnersbury.org)

What's on at the local libraries?

Come and join us at Hanwell Community Library for our children's **Halloween craft** morning on **Saturday 22nd October 10:30am -12pm.** To sign up email HCL@hanwellcommunitylibrary.org.uk Please note: parents are asked to remain present.

Diwali - Making Rangoli patterns Dominion Centre Library, Southall on **Saturday 22 October, 2-3pm**, Ages: 4-11yrs Celebrate Diwali by making your Rangoli patterns! No booking required.

Brought to you by WAPPY <u>Black History Month - Ancient Kingdom of Benin - Exploring Afrikan History</u> Ealing Central Library, Tuesday 25 October, 3.30-5.30 pm This free family session includes a quiz, spoken word and 'Q & A'. You can create trading objects as sculptures from tin foil. All welcome - No booking required.

Black History Month: Meet a Roman Centurion this Half-Term! Marcus is a retired centurion and has settled in Londinium. He talks about the city and also something of his army life. He has some old equipment from his time in the army and he might even get you marching! Suitable for ages 7 years upwards.

- Acton Library, Tuesday 25 October, 11am
- Ealing Central Library, Tuesday 25 October, 1.30pm
- Northolt Library, Wednesday 26 October, 11am
- Dominion Centre Library, Southall, Wednesday 26 October, 1.30pm

Acton Library, Wednesday 26 October, All day Join us for craft and activities including, board games, colouring, and making your own Diwali Lantern Craft

Halloween Crafts: 'Spooktacular' Skeletons! **Dominion Centre Library, Southall.** Thursday 27 October, 2pm **Ages: 4-11yrs Create a scary skeleton in this fun Halloween craft session.**

Awesome Autumn holiday day camp at Pitzhanger Manor & Gallery

For children aged 7-11 Awesome Autumn, a day of creative, outdoor activities inspired by nature for young people aged 7-11. Session with artist

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and arts educator Emily Hopkins, exploring the change in the seasons, flora and fauna of Walpole Park and Pitzhanger gardens. Come dressed for the weather and be ready to have fun! on **Thursday, 27 October at 10am to 3pm** with a morning and an afternoon session and a lunch break from 12-1pm. Please bring a packed lunch and get dressed for mess! If you have any questions, contact learning@pitzhanger.org.uk

Pitzhanger are committed to providing accessible programming to Ealing families. Therefore, we offer special discounts for qualifying families.

£15 full price / £5 for families with household income below £30,000 per year

FREE for low-income families in receipt of Free School Meals, Universal Credit, and/or Jobseeker's Allowance <u>Pitzhanger</u> » <u>Awesome Autumn Holiday Day Camp</u> to book and find out more.

Battle of Britain Bunker, Wren Avenue, Uxbridge, UB10 0BE Monday 24 to Sunday 30 October,



10am to 4pm Drop in and join us for craft activities and story sessions throughout October half-term. Cost: Included in admission fee to the bunker/ visitor centre. Free for under-16s Find out more: www.battleofbritainbunker.co.uk Admission is free for under 16s Adults start at £5 for visitor centre only or £9 including a bunker tour.

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