

East London Children's University[™] e-zine issue 24: May 2019

Summer Graduation Ceremony - Thursday 18th July 2019

We are delighted to announce that our Summer Graduation Ceremony will be held on Thursday 18th July at the inspirational University College London.

Details will be coming home after half term, we hope to see many of you at this exciting ceremony. Families will get the chance to participate in tours of UCL, attend mini lectures and ask current students what life is like as a university student at UCL. Keep collecting those stamps!!



MAYOR OF LONDON

Unpack all our city has to offer with the London Curriculum World of Work Trails. Last autumn, the Mayor's London Curriculum team launched a series of World of Work trails for schools and families. The aim is to inspire children to start thinking about careers in London and what's on offer in this brilliant city. The trails cover different areas of London - Brixton, Southwark, Covent Garden, Old Street, Shoreditch and Stratford,

Each trail has a different theme and includes all kinds of activities and information about types of work that children might do when they're older. Children will learn about jobs from the past, discover the work people do today, and imagine what work might be like in the future.

The London Curriculum is a fun way of teaching young people about the city using London as a classroom. Schools in London are already enjoying our free primary and secondary teaching resources. With these trails, parents and carers can join in too.

Find out more and download at: www.london.gov.uk/world-of-work and www.london.gov.uk/london-curriculum

Business Champions

We'd like to take the opportunity to thank our Business Champions



East London Children's University™ May Half Term Challenge - 2019

How many Holiday Fun activities can you complete this holiday? Gain one credit in your passport for every activity completed - complete as many as you can. Show evidence to your school coordinator to get your passport stamped. If you do not have a Children's University passport please speak with your schools coordinator to find out how you can join.

I'd love to see your pictures, email them to jessica.worf@15billionebp.org or tweet @EastLondon_CU - let me know if we can share them!

Activity 1

Environmental Challenge

Create a recycling plan for your family to use in your home. Find out what your local council policy is for recycling and help your family recycle waste on a weekly basis.

You could introduce colour coded waste collection, or help your family realise why recycling is important to the environment.

Activity 2

Cooking Challenge

If you were in the junior bake off what would your 'show stopper' be? Search online with your family, or use a family cookbook to source a cake recipe. Prepare a shopping list, help buy the ingredients and make the cake. Try and weigh the ingredients out yourself and get help with the oven!

Activity 3

Learning Destination Challenge

Have you heard about the Mayor of London World of Work family trails. Download one of the wonderful local trails and complete it with your friends and family. Let us know what you thought of the trails and would you recommend them to other CU children?



Activity 4

Nature Challenge

Make a bird feeder out of recycled materials. The RSPB has a great activity to make your own feeder - <https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-kids/games-and-activities/activities/make-a-recycled-bird-feeder/>



Activity 5

Kindness Challenge

Find out what languages your friends and neighbours speak. Learn to say 'Hello, how are you?' in three different languages.

Activity 6

London Challenge

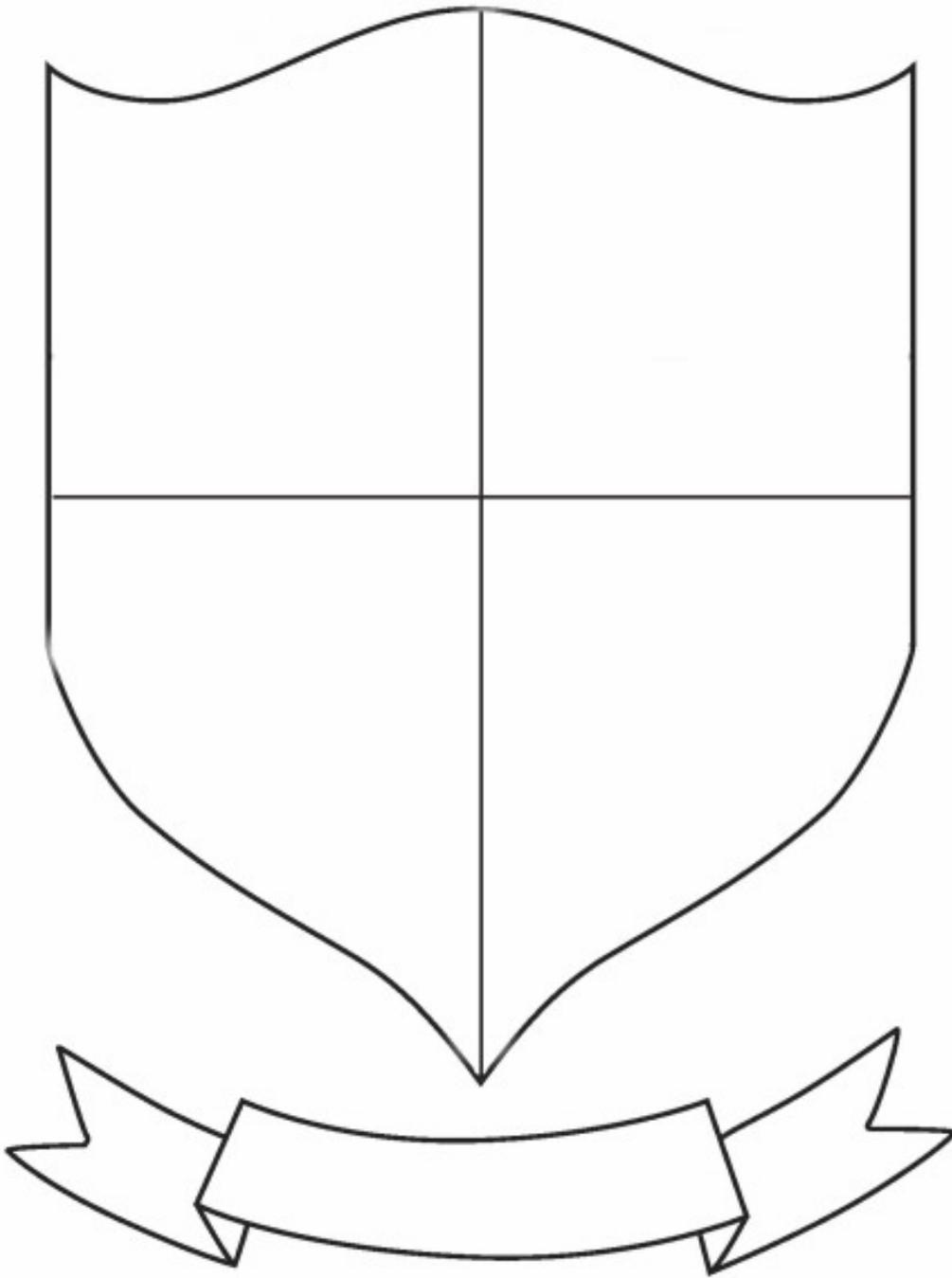
Find out about your London Borough. How many people live in it? What is it well known for? What famous people come from it? Could you create an advertising poster encouraging people to visit your borough?

Activity 7

Recommend a book

We want to produce an East London Children's University 'must read' list. Write a book review for your favourite book, tell us what you liked, who you think would enjoy the book and what age the book is for? I can't wait to hear some of the recommendations.

Own Coat of Arms



Use this template to tell us about you and your family, fill each space with a picture of something that is important to you. And create a family motto.

Research popular Coat of Arms/Crests. Maybe your School has one of its own?

Discover

Children's Story Centre

Half term at Discover

Join Discover this half term for the comic book masterclasses, mini-magazine making, a trip to Damascus and, of course, tea with the Tiger! Meet a range of artists, illustrators and authors as they share their stories and skills. Conquer pirate ships and explore musical caves in the Story Worlds and meet their Tiger for a spot of tea (don't forget to say hello to Mog!). While the little ones can join Elmer on his walk through the jungle, the bigger ones can learn the craft of mini-magazine making and comic book drawing. There's something for all ages at Discover this half term. Plus join Discover and venues across London on the 25 May for the London Children's Book Swap and swap an old book for a new adventure.

From 25 May - 2 June, find out more here: <http://bit.ly/Halftermevents>
Listings

Every day: The Tiger Who Came to Tea and the Adventures of Mog the Forgetful Cat, ages 0-11, multiple times throughout the day.

Every day: Elmer's Walk, ages 0-3, multiple times throughout the day.

25 May: London Children's Book Swap, all ages, 11am- 4.30pm

29 May: Make a mini-magazine with Kristyna Bazcynski, ages 6+, 2.15pm

30 May: Storytelling with author Nadine Kaadan, ages 6+, 11.15am

31 May-1 June: Newham Comic Factory workshops and exhibition, ages 4+, multiple times please check website for detailed information

To book: www.booking.discover.org.uk

To find out more: www.discover.org.uk



Image: Sorcha Bridge

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park

Come and join us at the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, we have a wide range of activities to suit everyone!

The Park is the perfect destination for families of all ages and interests. Whether it's a walk through the parklands looking at the spectacular sites of the London 2012 venues or burning off steam at the Tumbling Bay playground.

Children's Trail - the Children's Trail is validated as a Learning Destination. Arrive at the Information Kiosk and pick up a copy of the trail. Arrive back at the Kiosk (check times for closing) and collect your stamps.

Visit <http://queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/whats-on/events>



National Trust.

Visit one of the 115 National Trust validated learning destinations this Easter. With exciting and interesting places to visit across the UK, visit our website - <http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/> for a list of the local and national ideas for great days out!



Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park

Great Get Together

23rd June 2019

Whether you want to be entertained, get creative or get up and take part, there are more activities than ever before at this year's Great Get Together!

Discover local talent and enjoy exclusive performances and workshops from the world-class East Bank organisations set to form part of the Stratford community! Bring along a picnic to enjoy, or make the most of the delicious food and drink stalls sharing delicacies from all over the world. With over five different stages and zones, including a Family Zone and Breakin' Convention tent, it's a fantastic day out for people of all ages and a real highlight of summer at the Park.

Activities include:

- World-class dance performances from Sadler's Wells
- Storytelling, free face painting and games for children
- Making Zone with hands-on activities
- Music throughout the day, including performances from BBC Singers
- Family dance and singing workshops
- Have-a-go sports
- And much more!

This fun, free and family-friendly event is part of a nationwide celebration of our different communities, organised in partnership with the Jo Cox Foundation and The Big Lunch campaign. It's also a great opportunity to learn more about the East Bank partners - the BBC, Sadler's Wells, the Smithsonian Institution, UAL's London College of Fashion, UCL and the V&A - and the work they are already doing in the local area.

So gather together your family, friends and anyone else you can find and make a day of it!

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park

EAST Education - Summer School 2019

EAST Education Summer School is taking place at Here East this Summer. We are inviting 13 - 16 years olds from the local area to take part in our exciting free Summer School which will be taking place from 29 July - 9 August.

At Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, we are creating a new exciting cultural and education district - East Bank - which will see UCL, UAL's London College of Fashion, the BBC, Sadler's Wells and the V&A in partnership with the Smithsonian Institution expand their offer to east London. Ahead of these world class institutions arriving here, they wish to work with local young people in east London as part of this high quality summer school programme.

This free Summer School will give 13 - 16 year olds the chance to try something new and develop skills and knowledge in fashion, printmaking, rap/dance and archaeology. Take a look at the Summer School offer and decide which courses you would like to take part in. Applications are now open and will close shortly on 12 July 2019. See <https://www.queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/our-story/get-involved/education-and-young-people/east-education-summer-school-2019>

Half term fun at the Crystal.
Drop by the Crystal for some sustainable fun!

The exhibition will be open throughout the holidays,
10.00am to 5.00pm - with last entrance at 4.30pm.

Give us a call on 02070556400 for more information.

Address: One Siemens Brothers Way, Royal Victoria Docks, London, E16 1GB



Why not make a point of visiting your local library this half term!

Each of our amazing local libraries have fun packed events planned for the upcoming half term:

Redbridge Library -

<https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/redbridge-events/may-half-term-activities/>

Newham Library -

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Libraries-in-Newham-information.aspx>

Barking and Dagenham Library -

<https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/residents/leisure-libraries-and-museums/libraries/library-events-and-activities/library-events-activities/>

Hackney Library -

<https://www.hackney.gov.uk/libraries>

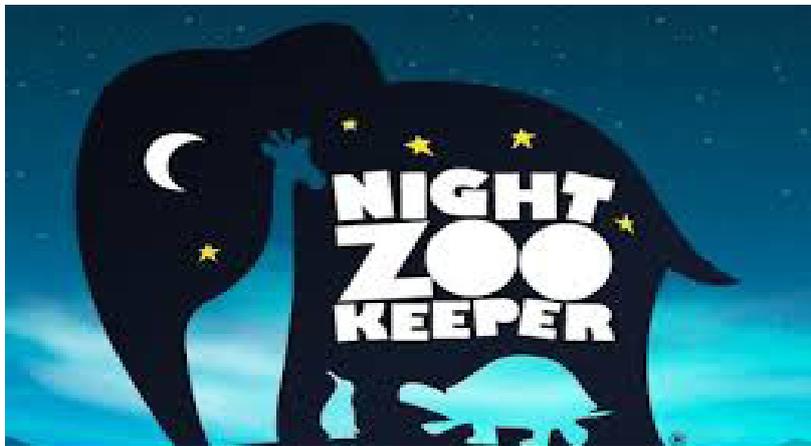
Waltham Forest Library -

<https://walthamforest.gov.uk/service-categories/libraries>

Tower Hamlets Library -

<http://www.ideastore.co.uk/>





New Creative Writing workshops by Night Zookeeper! 1st June 2019

BAFTA nominated Night Zookeeper are now launching creative writing workshops that will take place in the heart of Soho, London!

What can a family expect from the activity?

After learning about the Night Zoo in an interactive story experience, children will be challenged to create and write about their own magical animal characters! We'll take children through fun and creative writing challenges designed to give them confidence in their writing skills and acquire new vocabulary.

The creators of Night Zookeeper will work closely with all children to share tips on creative writing and how they came up with stories and characters that are now part of an animated TV show on Sky TV!

Tickets cost £15 to book: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/creative-writing-with-night-zoo-keeper-june-1st-tickets-62139852973>

The Children's University
Challenge



Download this activity sheet to take with you when you visit any of the SEA LIFE

aquariums around UK. Pay close attention as you walk around the SEA LIFE Centre and fill in the Children's University activity sheet as you go. Discover even more about conservation as well as our incredible turtles, sharks and other aquatic wonders.

Find your nearest Sea Life Centre here - <https://www.visitsealife.com/>

This activity is worth 2 credits. Download the activity pack before you go - <http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/media/27752/sea-life-childrens-university.pdf>

New London Architecture

Fantastic Feats: Half-Term Course for 8-12yrs

Friday 31st May - Saturday 1st June

10.30 - 3pm

Architects and Engineers work together to create cities. This course will celebrate the Victorians who built our modern city, those behind such incredible engineering feats as Tower Bridge and even London's underground sewers! Children aged 8-12yrs who like designing, making and building can take part for two days of creative fun learning all about the people who shape our city. This course gives access to our scale models of London and participants will have the chance to meet real architects and engineers and complete a series of hands-on challenges related to our exhibitions and displays all about London's fascinating built environment. Booking via https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/fantastic-feats-half-term-course-for-8-12yrs-tickets-57521475281?_eboga=378856843.1526983999

Shapes and Skylines London Festival of Architecture Under 5s Morning

17th June, 24th June

11am - 12pm

Parents with children Under 5 years can come along to one of our special London Festival of Architecture workshops. Inspired by the theme of boundaries these relaxed, informal events introduce young children to London's architecture via the shapes and lines that make up the Skyline. The hour will include a mark making crafts, storytelling around the model, singing and Lego fun. This event must be booked in advance via this link. https://www.londonfestivalofarchitecture.org/events/programme/?_sf_s=Shapes

Homes of the Future Open House Families Drop-in Workshop

22nd June

2-4pm

As part of Open House Families children and their parents can visit NLA's exhibition on the future of Public Housing in London and complete our exhibition trail before joining creative workshop inspired by the display.

Above Ground, Below Ground Drop-in Family Workshop

22 June

11am - 4pm

The streets of London hide a million stories underneath our feet. Did you know that buried deep underneath the Guildhall Art Gallery is London's Roman Amphitheatre? Explore this, and other stories of the architecture and engineering of the City of London at this family drop-in workshop for London Festival of Architecture held at The City Centre, London's Roman Amphitheatre and Guildhall Art Gallery, where you can visit the exhibition the Architecture of London. The City Centre, 80 Basinghall Street EC2V 5AR All NLA Learning family events are free to attend and drop-in unless otherwise stated.

Workshop for 8-12yrs: Inflatable Architecture

8th June

10.30 - 3pm

NLA invites children aged 8-12yrs to this free event for London Festival of Architecture at The Building Centre to design giant nets out of plastic sheets. These will be taken outside at the end of the afternoon and inflated into temporary architecture. Children will get to work together to create and build their own architecture exploring how a boundary can be created with only a small amount of material that is nevertheless transformational to a space. This event is free for all but places are limited and parents must book children in advance to secure their place. Please note that children must be of the stated age. Booking via <https://www.londonfestivalofarchitecture.org/event/inflatable-architecture/>

Families can sign up to NLA's mailing list by emailing lettie.mckie@newlondonarchitecture.org

Why not try these activities at home...



Rooster Money

Having some money know how, understanding the importance of saving and being smart with your cash is really important. Learn how with Rooster Money's Money Matters course. Download the activity pack here -

<http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/media/2074934/money-matters-cu-roostermoney.pdf>



Bigfoot - Creative Arts Activity Pack

This pack will help you learn more about the creative arts thanks to Bigfoot Arts Education! It has been designed to help you think about a variety of roles that are important in relation to the creation of an arts event, performance or film.

Up to 6 credits. Download the pack here:
<http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/media/13022/>

[bigfoot_-_creative_arts_activity_pack.pdf](http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/media/13022/bigfoot_-_creative_arts_activity_pack.pdf)



Download our quiz sheet to be completed alongside CERN's interactive site, www.cernland.net

Take your completed sheet into school and show it to a teacher to earn 3 Children's University stamps. This quiz relates to 11 of the 13 games on the site and focuses on the science and research behind CERN's work.

<http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/media/2075111/cernland-quiz-sheet.pdf>

Forestry Commission

Take a visit to your local woods/forest. It is a working forest, growing trees for timber. It also provides a great place for people to enjoy and a home for lots of wildlife:



Forestry Commission

- Download and fill in the activity sheet below as you walk around and enjoy the forest.
- Learn how a well-managed forest works, and how it can be so much more than simply a place to grow trees.

Tip: Before you set off, have a quick look through these sheets, so you will know what you are looking out for. You might also find a small collecting bag is handy. Download available here: http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/media/334778/children_s_uni_activity_sheet_v9.pdf

How to get a Blue Peter Badge!

A Blue Peter Badge is a special award given to people who appear on the show, or in recognition of achievement. Applicants must be 6 - 16 years old.

Badge owners can get free entry into over 200 Blue Peter Badge attractions around the country such as theme parks, zoos and castles. How about writing to Blue Peter to tell them about your achievements whilst collecting stamps at East London Children's University?

To find out how to apply, follow this link:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/apply-for-a-blue-peter-badge>



Royal Gunpowder Mills

The Royal Gunpowder Mills is a great place for families and individuals to spend days out exploring the fascinating history of gunpowder, explosives and rocket propellants.

Much more than a museum, the visitor attraction also lets visitors experience first-hand some of the science behind explosives and rockets in our Mad Lab and Rocket Vault. On our Test Range you can have a go at kid's archery, try your skills on the BB airsoft rifle range, build and fire air rockets, plus race water rockets along our unique monorail track.

The Main Exhibition, Film Show and Armoury introduces visitors to the 300 year old history of the Royal Gunpowder Mills after which it is possible to explore more of the 170 acre site by foot, on Land Train or Military Truck. On site you are quite likely to come across a wide variety of wildlife that lives on this Secret Island being enclosed by rivers on all sides. For more information please visit <http://www.royalgunpowdermills.com/plan-your-visit/>

Address: Royal Gunpowder Mills, Beaulieu Drive, Waltham Abbey, Essex, EN9 1JY

Do you know a potential Learning Destination for Children's University?



Learning Destination Referral Form

Any organisation that provides learning opportunities for children outside of normal school hours can join **Children's University** as a **Learning Destination**.

Children's University is open to children aged 5-14 and has been described by the Sunday Times as the "University of Fun". Children are encouraged to take part in a variety of different activities in their own time and the more hours they complete, the more they are recognised through certificates at special graduation ceremonies.



If you know a potential Learning Destination then please contact Denise at East London Children's University...

Denise Langford
e: denise.langford@15billionebp.org
t: 020 8536 3630

Please provide us with as much information about the activity including...

- **What is the activity? Who is it for?**
- **When and where does it take place?**
- **Do you have contact details for us?**



Feedback

Your feedback is very important to us, if you have any ideas for great Learning Destinations please let us know! If you have any comments, concerns or have problems getting your passport stamped, please contact Jessica on:

T: 020 8536 3630

E: jessica.worf@15billionebp.org

Don't forget to take your passport and collect your stamps, we hope to see you at our next graduation ceremony!

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