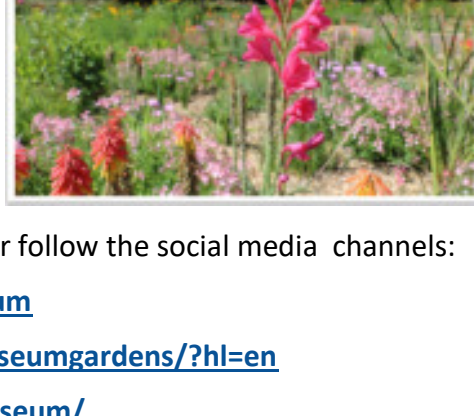


Things To Do This Summer

HORNIMAN MUSEUM AND GARDENS

The Horniman Museum has reopened its doors on the 30th July and free tickets can be booked online in advance.

The beautiful 16.5 acre gardens surrounding the museum are perfect for a nice walk and not to be missed! For more information visit www.horniman.ac.uk/plan-your-visit/around-the-horniman/ or follow the social media channels:



www.twitter.com/HornimanMuseum

www.instagram.com/hornimanmuseumgardens/?hl=en

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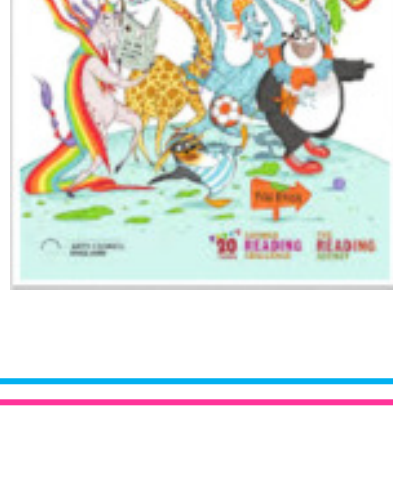
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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The summer reading challenge is free to join and perfect for children aged 4 to 11. This year's theme is Silly Squads and it celebrates funny books, laughter and happiness.

Children will get the chance to read any books throughout the summer and prizes will be given out at different stages of the challenge. For more info and to find out how to sign up visit

www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/libraries/children/summer-reading-challenge-for-4-11-year-olds

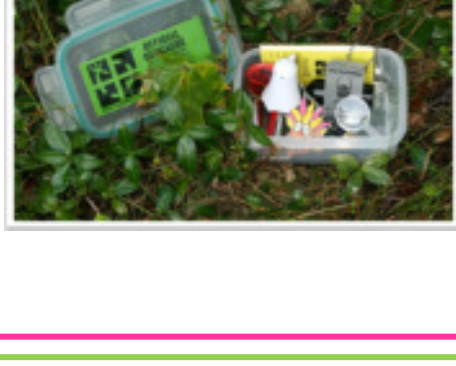


GEOCACHING

Go treasure hunting in one of Lewisham's parks, woods or open spaces.

Visit www.geocaching.com and you can find the GPS locations of 1000's of Geocaches around the world and there are a number in Lewisham.

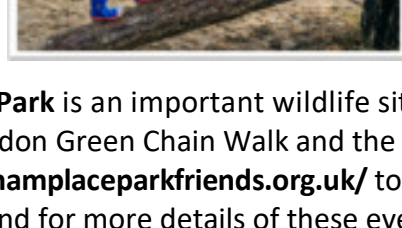
Just use a GPS enabled device like a mobile phone to seek out the treasure.



A WALK IN THE WOODS

Sydenham Hill Wood forms the largest remaining tract of the old Great North Wood. Oak and Hornbeam demonstrate the ancient woodland heritage of this site. There is a Victorian folly now hidden deep in the middle of the wood. The Nunhead to Crystal Palace railway line once passed through, you can follow the track bed up to a disused tunnel, now used as a roost by bats.

Visit www.wildlondon.org.uk where you can download trails for each season.

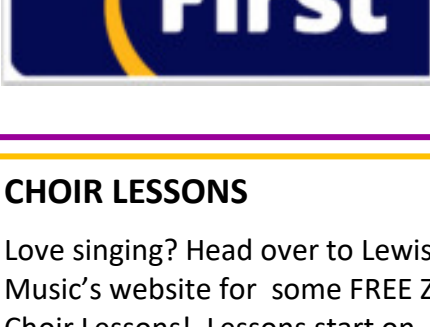


Beckenham Place Park is an important wildlife site and makes up part of the South East London Green Chain Walk and the regional Capital Ring.

Visit www.beckenhamplaceparkfriends.org.uk/ to download a map of the green chain walk and for more details of these events.

You can also find info on all of Lewisham's green spaces at www.lewisham.gov.uk/inmyarea/openspaces/

YOUTH FIRST



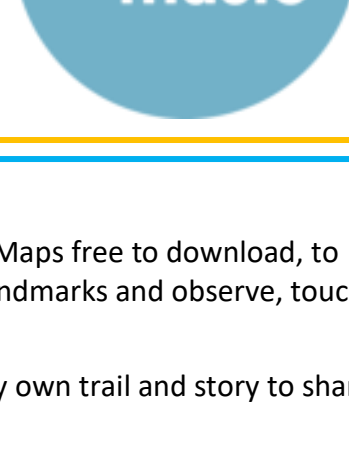
Youth First is offering a fun filled programme for older children. There is a daily Instagram LIVE schedule which includes activities such as baking, cooking and fitness, but also Zoom workshops, challenges and much more! All details can be found at

www.youthfirst.org.uk/programme

CHOIR LESSONS

Love singing? Head over to Lewisham Music's website for some FREE Zoom Choir Lessons! Lessons start on Tuesday 28th July and are suitable for children in years 2-8. To sign up visit

www.lewishammusic.org/onlinelearninglab/getlearning/learnwithus/zoom-choirs/

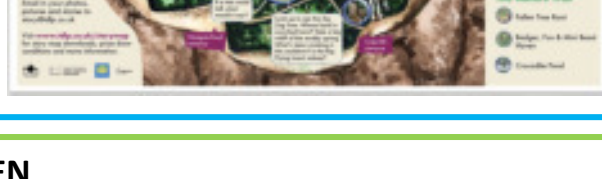


STORY ADVENTURE MAPS

Tea Dance For Little People is offering Story Maps free to download, to encourage families to adventure into park landmarks and observe, touch and smell the surroundings.

You will also get a chance to design your very own trail and story to share, for the chance to enter a prize draw.

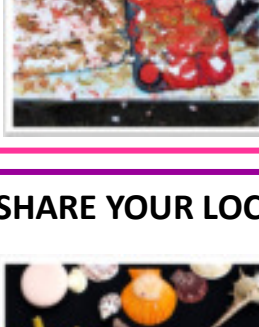
For more information visit www.tdlp.co.uk/storymap/



BUILD A DEN

Let's face it, there's nothing quite as exciting for children (and many adults too) than building your very own den! Head over to Woodland Trust for some excellent ideas on how to get started.

www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2019/10/how-to-build-a-den/

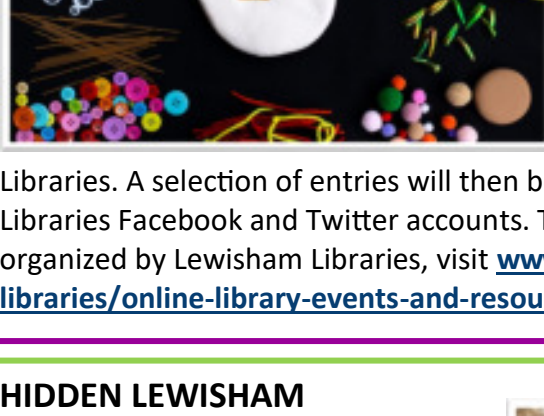


328 ACTIVITIES TO DO AT HOME

With so many activities to choose from, you can be sure you'll find something to keep the little ones entertained at home this summer.

Visit www.scouts.org.uk/activities/ and get busy!

SHARE YOUR LOCKDOWN EXPERIENCE

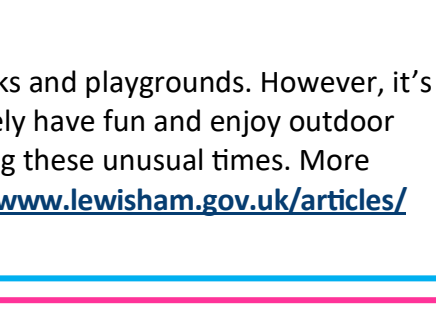


No matter the age, lockdown has been challenging for many of us. However, there have hopefully also been many positive memories. Young people can now share their lockdown experiences in the form of art, poems, stories, cartoons, raps, by sending their work to Lewisham

Libraries. A selection of entries will then be published onto the Lewisham Libraries Facebook and Twitter accounts. To enter and for more initiatives organized by Lewisham Libraries, visit www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/libraries/online-library-events-and-resources

HIDDEN LEWISHAM

LCFC produced Local Park and Green Space Activity Sheets and Scavenger Hunts, download them from our website www.lewishamcfc.org.uk/hidden-lewisham-fun-in-lewisham-open-spaces/



PLAY SAFELY IN THE PARK

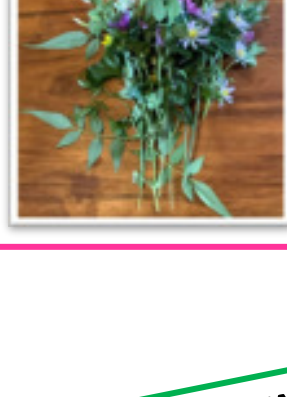
Summer days are perfect to enjoy parks and playgrounds. However, it's important to keep in mind how to safely have fun and enjoy outdoor equipment and communal areas during these unusual times. More guidance and advice can be found on www.lewisham.gov.uk/articles/blogs/playing-safely-in-our-parks

MAKE YOUR OWN NATURE PUPPETS

The Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry has free puppet making videos.

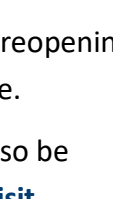
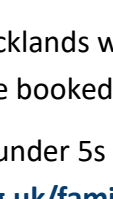
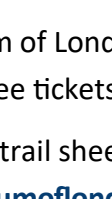
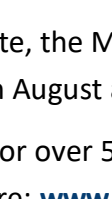
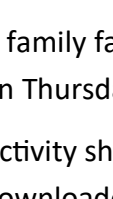
Here is, one of many, videos showing you how to make nature puppets from leaves and sticks collected for a walk in the park.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?>



A BIT FURTHER AWAY...

The following activities are not in Lewisham, but they are easily accessible by car, public transport or biking. So, if you feel like adventuring a little further away, these might just be what you're looking for.



MUSEUM OF LONDON DOCKLANDS

A family favourite, the Museum of London Docklands will be reopening on Thursday 6th August and free tickets can be booked online.

Activity sheets for over 5s and trail sheets for under 5s can also be downloaded here: www.museumoflondon.org.uk/families/visit-museum-london-docklands

ENJOY A BREATHTAKING VIEW OF LONDON AND THE THAMES

With its 183 acres of green space, Greenwich Park has a lot to offer for everyone. You can walk amongst beautiful gardens, observe a variety of wildlife, have a picnic and stand next to the Prime Meridian enjoying a breathtaking view of London and the River Thames.

Visit www.royalparks.org.uk/parks/greenwich-park to find out more and on how to access the park.

