

SUMMER ACTIVITIES & EVENTS





THE FINAL COUNTDOWN

Hey there and welcome to Edition 6!

At the start of the summer I had a slight panic as to how on earth I would keep my kids entertained for 6 WHOLE WEEKS. I had flash backs of previous lockdowns (shudder). But in the blink of an eye, it's time for shoe-fittings and attaching labels to uniforms. Thankfully we've had a load of fun (and very few tantrums) along the way. I'm actually sad it's coming to an end.

This week we see the summer-specific events wind down but the launch of Leytonstone Festival and a host of other treats that will be taking place and keeping us entertained. I've included as many of these as I could muster after a thrill-filled trip to the Fun Fair on Wanstead Flats (which, I note, continues this week).

I must say, it's been good fun finding out what's on and attending things in our local area but it's also confirmed a thought I've had for some time; we could do with more family-friendly activities and events in Leytonstone itself. With work, the school run, naps and my baby's love of exit-poos, a trip to Walthamstow or Stratford etc isn't always ideal whereas a dart with the buggy to somewhere in E11 is much more doable. Having spoken to some other parents, including the lovely Jenny who did a marvellous job taking the reigns whilst I was away last week (thanks again Jenny!), it looks like I'm not alone.

So, on that note, I'm VERY excited to share that Jenny and I are teaming up on an exciting new project; E11 Events. Local musicians, businesses, charities and their fans, check out the appeals within this guide and hopefully we'll see you and the family at an event soon.

As always, with all activities and events included in this guide, please check with the organisers/venues before heading over.

Have fun and stay safe

Danie x

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WEEK 6

30AUGUST - 5 SEPTEMBER

Under 5s Play sessions, Tuesday - Friday, 10-11.30am Leytonstone Toy Library & Play Centre, Langthorne Park £5 parent/carer and child (£1 low income) <u>Book here</u>

"Summer of Disney" Free Film Screenings, The Rookwood Village, Cann Hall Road This Week:

> 30 August, 2-4pm (inside) - UP 31 August, 3-6pm (outside) - Toy Story 2 25 August (outside) - Toy Story 3

Kids Eat For £1 with an adult main course. 12-6 pm, Monday to Friday. Max 1 Child per 1 Adult, <u>Book here</u>

30 Monday

12-5pm, Bank Holiday Family Fun, workshops, entertainers and performances, Fellowship Square, More Info

31 Tuesday

9.30 or 11.00am, Little Crafters Story Crafters (Age 2-7) £7 (some activities suitable for age 1-2) £3, Prospect Hall, Woodford Green, IG8 7NA, Book here

Kids Clay club (5+), Creative Biscuit Ceramics Cafe, South Woodford, More info, Reserve via email@creativebiscuit.co.uk

1 Wednesday

9.30 or 11.00am, Little Crafters Story Crafters (Age 2-7) £7 (some activities suitable for age 1-2) £3, Prospect Hall, Woodford Green, IG8 7NA, Book here

2 Thursday

9.30 or 10.25am, Musical Miniatures, Leytonstone Methodist Church, Lister Road, <u>Pre-book here</u> to avoid disappointment

10.30am, Mothering the Mother Support group, Connect over a cuppa with local parents, £3, Every Thursday, Juno, Leyton, E10 5FA, Book here

3 Friday

9.30, 10.25 or 11.20am, Musical Miniatures, Leytonstone Methodist Church, Lister Road, <u>Pre-book here</u> to avoid disappointment



WEEK 6

4 Saturday

11-12pm, Waltham Forest Libraries Arts & Crafts, Leytonstone Library, Free, <u>Register</u>

12- 10pm, Street Party 2021, The Duke, 79 Nightingale Lane, E11 2EY, Jinglebop from 12pm (age 2 and under) and 2pm (age 2 +), More Info

12-4pm, Words Not Walls, Family-friendly park exhibition and picnic, Albany Park, Enfield, Free, More Info On Saturday and **Sunday**

2-3pm, Love your Planet crafts, WF Summer Reading Challenge Event. Leytonstone Library, Free <u>Register</u>

2-3.30pm, Hives to Jars, Stone Mini Market, 521 High Rd Leytonstone, Book here

4pm - 6pm, Film Club (Children), Leytonstone Library, Free, Register



WANTED

LOCAL MUSICIANS

ARE YOU A MUSICIAN OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARD LIVING IN LEYTONSTONE OR SURROUNDING AREAS?

A LEYTONSTONE-BASED COMMUNITY PROJECT WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU

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LOOKING AHEAD



Fitness

Restarting Monday 6th September

Mondays and Thursdays: 10.00-11.00

Wanstead Flats

Contact Gabi on 07983460020



Music

Restarting Monday 6th September

Mondays & Wednesdays: 9.45 & 10.30am

The Sea Scouts Hut,106 Malvern Road, E11 3DL

Book via <u>Happity</u> or WhatsApp Danie on 07752042311



Mummy & Me: Postnatal & Baby Yoga

Restarting Thursday 9th September

Thursdays: 10.45am

Quaker Meeting House, Bush Road, E11

Contact Miriam on 07943261671



Parent-led Storytelling

Starting Monday 6th September (Trial Session)

Monday: 10.30am

@Leytonstone Library

Contact Tanyel via <u>@childfriendly_spots_eastlondon</u>

LOOKING AHEAD





Music

Restarting Thursday 2nd September

Thursdays: 9.30 & 10.25 Fridays: 9.30, 10.25 & 11.20

@Leytonstone Methodist Church, Lister Road, E11

Book trial classes via <u>Happity</u> or <u>website</u>. Drop In and Flexi-passes available

Music

Starting 9th September A new course for Reception and Year 1 students

Thursdays: 3.45pm

@Leytonstone Methodist Church, Lister Road, E11

Book via <u>website</u>



Dance

Starting 4th September

Saturdays

Age 2-3 years: 9.15-10am & 10.15-11am

Age 4-7 years: 11.15am-12pm & 12.15-1pm

@Leyton Cricket Ground, Studio Book via <u>website</u>



Music

Restarting Tuesday 14th September Pop ups so frequency and venues vary

Tuesday 14th September: 10.30-11am

Onity Cafe, 8a Pretoria Rd, E11

Book via <u>website</u>

WANTED

LOCAL CAUSES

DO YOU RUN OR KNOW OF A CAUSE OR CHARITY BASED IN LEYTONSTONE OR SURROUNDING AREAS THAT'S IN NEED OF FURTHER SUPPORT?

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DROP JENNY AN EMAIL AT JENNY@MUSICALMINIATURES.CO.UK

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



4th-12th September - Leytonstone Festival. 9 days of music, fun, drama and entertainment.



4th-19th September - Wanstead Fringe 2021. A number of events throughout Wanstead including the below for the kids (check age suitability via links below):

- Weds 8th, 5-6.30pm: <u>Wanstead Fringe</u>
 <u>Comedy Improve for kids</u> @ Wanstead
 Tap
- Fri 10th, 6.30-9.30pm: Wanstead Kinema - <u>The Lorax</u> @ Wanstead and Snaresbrook Cricket Club
- Sat 11th, 11am-12pm: Wanstead Bookshop
 Presents Jospeh Elliott @ Wanstead
 Library
- Sat 11th, 3pm: <u>Wanstead Fringe Comedy -</u>
 Graeme Matthews aka BAM BAM a St
 Gabriel's Church, Aldersbrook



12th September - Leytonstone Farmers
Market. Due to take place every Sunday from
12th September, 10am-2pm @ Buxton School,
Cann Hall Road.

15th - 19th September - Leytonstone Loves Film. Free events around Leytonstone and Online. Celebrating the magic of the movies and the love of stories that help us feel more connected. Outdoor, indoor and online film screenings, workshops, activities and more.



Yard Sale. For the 7th year running the Bushwood Yard Sale will be bringing together neighbours, bargain hunters and decluttering desperados... A jumble sale on the streets of Bushwood and beyond.

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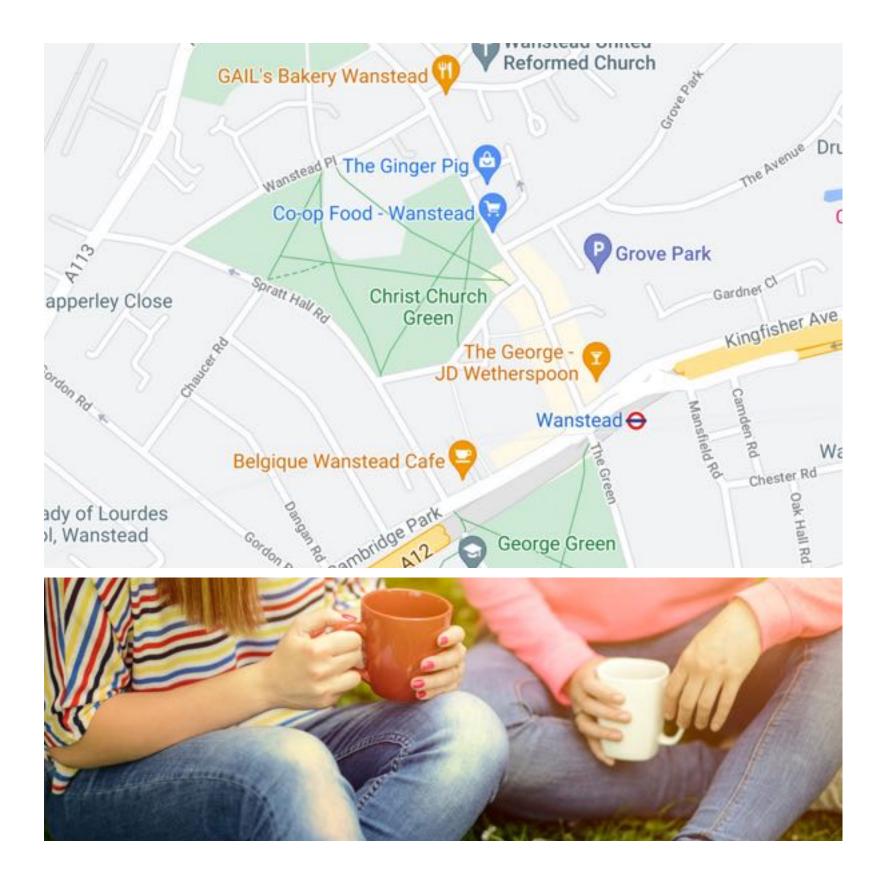
LOCAL BUSINESSES

DO YOU RUN OR KNOW OF ANYONE WHO RUNS A PRODUCT, FOOD OR SERVICE-RELATED BUSINESS IN LEYTONSTONE OR SURROUNDING AREAS?

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PARK SPOTLIGHT



Christchurch Green

Last time I wrote about a fave park I also revealed that its proximity to decent food and drink was a large contributor to why I rated it so highly. So it isn't surprising that Christchurch Green aka "Wanstead park that isn't THE Wanstead Park but the park off the High St" is a BIG hit with my household. It'll host <u>Wanstead Festival</u> on 12 September but day-to-day it's an excellent allrounder.

Surrounded by numerous cafes, restaurants, supermarkets and pubs, we often arrive in time for a morning snack and then pop to the library, have a play in the playground where we work up enough of an appetite to have lunch (either at one of the eateries or a picnic on the green).

You've got <u>The Bungalow Cafe</u>, <u>Bare Brew</u>, <u>The Cuckfield</u>, <u>The Bull</u> (previously The Manor House), <u>Belgique</u>....there seriously isn't enough space on this page to list all of our favourite spots. We're yet to try out the new <u>City Place Coffee</u> but I've heard it's a great spot for families. And there's more new places to come...

The people of Wanstead care A LOT about their high street and I can't remember a time when there wasn't a petition being signed about one thing or another. Whether for or against it, there are plans to open a kiosk on Christchurch Green itself...watch this space!

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