

# WHAT'S ON SPRING 2020

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WORLD BOOK DAY

### World Book Day

Thursday 5 March is World Book Day. Pop into your library and take home a great read! Find out more at [worldbookday.com](http://worldbookday.com)

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# EALING ROAD LIBRARY

**Maths on Toast: New Year in Numbers**  
Saturday 18 January  
1.30-4.30pm



Happy 2020! Lets celebrate with some Maths on Toast fun! Improve your skills through fun games and create a Rangoli design. Ages 5-12. Find out more at [mathsontost.org.uk](http://mathsontost.org.uk)

**STEM Club: The Jellyfish Journey**  
Tuesday 18 February  
2.30-4pm



Join Natural History Museum scientist Miranda Lowe as she takes you on a journey into the wonderful world of jellyfish! Space is limited so reserve your place at the library. For ages 8-11.



**Brent Start Family Learning**  
Saturday 15 February:  
Zero Recycle Heroes

Wednesday 8 April:  
Minecraft Village

Saturday 18 April:  
Toy Story Sacks  
All at 11am-1.15pm

Brent Start workshop for parents/carers and children aged 5-11. Maximum of two children per adult. Reserve your place at the library.

**Brent Start Family Learning: Cooking for Under 5s**  
Thursday 27 February  
11.15am-12.30pm,  
Thursdays 5, 12, 19, 26  
March 10.30am-12pm  
(registration 20 February).

Make tasty snacks with your child and get inspired by global food.

**Ealing Road Film Club**  
The Angry Birds Movie 2  
Wednesday 19 February  
2-4pm

Film screening for children aged 5+.

**Monster Truck Mayhem**  
Thursday 20 February  
2.30-3.30pm

Fun craft event for children aged 5-11.

**Brent of the future: Family workshop**  
Saturday 22 February  
2-4pm

Wembley and Willesden have changed from sleepy rural areas to lively urban melting pots. How would you like to see Brent evolve? Contribute to a collage with your ideas! Age 3+



### Welcome to Kingsbury Road

If you were standing here in 1934, this is what you would have seen!

When Kingsbury Road was first developed, it had its own 1000 seat cinema, with films like those from 1935. But things change over time. The cinema closed in 1972, and was demolished to make way for a Sainsbury's supermarket (now ASDA), that opened in 1977.



However, look closely and you can see that the shops (and flats above) at either end of the third Odeon building are still there. This is one of many interesting things you can find out, if you know where to look!

Follow the heritage trail along this side of Kingsbury Road, and discover how this local street changed from a muddy country track to the busy shopping centre you see today. You will find an illustrated panel, telling The Kingsbury Road Story, at each of the three seats between here and Kingsbury Library.

### Follow the heritage trail.....

Follow a new heritage trail on your way to the library! Look out for four local history panels telling the story of Kingsbury Road in words and pictures.

### The Novels That Shaped Our World

Look out for this new project from BBC Arts, Libraries Connected, The Reading Agency, The British Library and The Publishers Association revealing the most important 100 novels over the last three centuries. Funded by Arts Council England.

### Reading Ahead

Take the adult reading skills challenge and improve your reading! Pick six reads and record, rate and review them in a diary to get a certificate. Visit your local library to sign up.





**STEM Club**   
Wednesdays 29 January,  
26 February, 25 March,  
22 April 4-5pm

Science, technology, engineering and mathematics workshops for children aged 8-11. Reserve your place at the library.

**Maths on Toast:  
Story on Toast**   
Saturday 15 February  
1.30-4.30pm

Put your number and storytelling skills to the test to celebrate National Storytelling Week. Design your very own number character. Create bunting to tell a number story, present some facts and discover an everlasting love of maths whilst making a mobius heart to give to your Valentine.

**The Perfect Sofa  
with special guest  
Bookstart Bear!**  
Tuesday 3 March  
11.15am-12pm

Celebrate World Book Day with this story by Fifi Kuo. Under 5s.

**Ealing Road Library  
Fun Day Galore!**  
Saturday 7 March  
12noon-4pm

Come and celebrate the sparkling refurbishment of Ealing Road Library. Includes: Face painting, crafts, Bollywood Tollywood fusion dancing and Treasure Island theatre performance 2.30-4pm. All ages!



**Maths on Toast:  
Easy as Pi**   
Saturday 21 March  
1.30-4.30pm

3.1415 reasons to learn about all things Pi! Test your recall skills, make your own Pi jewellery and hunt down angles, plus create a Rangoli pattern. Ages 5-12. Find out more at [mathsontoaast.org.uk](http://mathsontoaast.org.uk)

**Romanian Easter egg  
decoration-Family  
craft workshop**  
Monday 6 April 2-4pm

Easter Day (Paștele) is a public holiday across Romania, falling on Sunday 19 April. Learn about the symbols on Romanian Easter eggs and decorate your own. Free. Age 3+

**Ealing Road Film Club**  
Tuesday 7 April,  
Toy Story 4


Wednesday 15 April  
Detective Pikachu  
2-4pm

Films for children aged 5+

**Maths on Toast:  
Story on Toast**   
Saturday 18 April  
1.30-4.30pm

Drop-in events for children and families to improve their skills and learn to love maths! Ages 5-12. Find out more at [mathsontoaast.org.uk](http://mathsontoaast.org.uk)

# HARLESDEN LIBRARY PLUS

**STEM Club**   
Wednesdays 5 February  
and 4 March 4-5.30pm

Science, technology, engineering and mathematic workshops for children aged 8-11. Please reserve your place at the library.

**Harlesden Jubilee  
Clock**  
Friday 7 February  
11am-12pm

Join Harry Brown to learn about the history of the Harlesden Jubilee Clock. Please bring along your own memories and photos.

**Brent Start Family  
Learning**  
Saturday 15 February:  
Zero Recycle Heroes  
Wednesday 8 April:  
Minecraft Village  
Saturday 18 April:  
Toy Story Sacks  
2.30-4.45pm

Join Brent Start for this fun workshop for parents/ carers and children aged 5-11. Maximum of two children per adult. Please reserve your place at the library.

**Monster Truck Mayhem**  
Thursday 20 February  
2.30-3.30pm

Fun craft event for children aged 5-11.

**The Perfect Sofa  
with special guest  
Bookstart Bear!**  
Thursday 5 March  
10.30-11am

Celebrate World Book Day with this story by Fifi Kuo. For the under 5s.

**Spring Floral Festival**  
Thursday 26 March  
11.30am-12.30pm

Craft for adults. Release stress and enjoy the beauty of nature by making a floral display. Spaces are limited so please reserve your place at the library.





**Seasons: Circus in the Library**

**Tuesday 7 April  
Thursday 8 April  
Sessions at 1pm and 3pm**

Join circus company Upswing for a theatre performance about our connection with the environment. Suitable for families with children aged 5-12.

**Build-A-Drone Workshop**



**Wednesday 15 April  
2-4pm**

Use coding and programming to model, build and fly your own drone with the Global Air Drone Academy. For young people aged 8-13. Space limited so reserve your place at the library.



**Celtic symbols – Family workshop**

**Friday 17 April 2-4pm**

Paddy Fahey captured images of the Irish community in Brent 1940s-70s. Learn about the Celtic symbols used on dance costumes and collage your own dance scene. Age 3+



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**EXHIBITION**

**One in Four  
Until Sunday 26 April**

Orchid, the UK's leading male cancer charity presents a photographic exhibition of portraits of local African and Caribbean men to raise awareness of prostate cancer.

**KILBURN  
LIBRARY**

**Monster Truck Mayhem**

**Tuesday 18 February  
2.30-3.30pm**

Fun craft event for children aged 5-11.

**Brent Start  
Family Learning**

**Wednesday 19 February:  
Minecraft Village.**

**Saturday 4 April:  
Toy Story Sacks  
11am-1.15pm**

Join Brent Start for this fun workshop for parents/carers and children aged 5-11. Maximum of two children per adult. Reserve your place at the library.

**The Perfect Sofa  
with special guest  
Bookstart Bear!**

**Monday 2 March  
10.30-11am**

Celebrate World Book Day with this story by Fifi Kuo. For the under 5s.

**Easter Eggstravaganza  
and Spring Fun**

**Wednesday 8 April  
2.30-3.30pm**

Fun craft event for children aged 5-11.

**KILBURN COFFEE  
MORNINGS**

**Wildlife in the  
garden**

**Wednesday 5 February  
11am-12pm**

There are hundreds of creatures that could live in a garden. Learn more about who might visit and what you can do to encourage and increase wildlife.

**Introducing the  
House of Life**

**Wednesday 4 March  
11am-12pm**

Join this talk to find out more about a new visitor experience at Willesden Jewish Cemetery, opening April, and get a taste of some of the incredible stories of the residents of the cemetery.

**Social housing and  
public buildings in  
NW6 and  
South Kilburn**

**Wednesday 1 April  
11am-12pm**

Come and share your stories of the developments that have made NW6.





# KINGSBURY LIBRARY

## EXHIBITION

**Ernest Trobridge – Kingsbury's Extraordinary Architect**  
Tuesday 3 February – Sunday 26 July

Trobridge built his first estate of thatched timber cottages in Kingsbury 100 years ago. By the 1930s, he was building flats that looked like castles. Learn more about his remarkable work in this exhibition.

## KINGSBURY COFFEE MORNINGS

**From Fire to Fountain – Film and Television at Wembley Park**  
Tuesday 28 January  
11am-12noon

For over 100 years, from 1907 to 2016, films and then TV programmes were made at Wembley Park. Join Philip Grant from Wembley History Society for a nostalgic look at our local creative industries, including some surprises!

**Brent Start Family Learning**  
Wednesday 19 February, Minecraft Village

Wednesday 15 April, Beads and Bracelets for Mums

2.30-4.45pm

Fun workshops for parents/carers and children aged 5-11. Maximum of two children per adult. Reserve your place at the library.

**Monster Truck Mayhem**  
Thursday 20 February  
2.30-3.30pm

Craft event for children aged 5-11.

**Hong Kong comes to Wembley – Family workshop**  
Friday 21 February 2-4pm

Wembley hosted the British Empire Exhibition (1924-25). The Hong Kong Pavilion was one of its fascinating attractions. Find out what its 27 million visitors saw and make a Chinese craft to take home. Age 3+

**Telling Tales: where imaginations come to life**

Saturdays: 22 and 29 February and 7, 14, 21, 28 March 11am-1pm

Apples and Snakes presents Telling Tales, a six week programme for 7-11 year olds to develop and create stories and poems with a writer.

**The Perfect Sofa with special guest Bookstart Bear!**

Monday 9 March  
10.30-11am

Celebrate World Book Day with this story by Fifi Kuo. Under 5s.

**Kingsbury Library Fun Day Galore!**

Saturday 4 April  
12noon-4pm

Celebrate the refurbishment of Kingsbury Library with a day of fun! Activities include face painting and Romanian Easter egg workshop. Plus join Splats Entertainment for an adventure to Treasure Island, based on Robert Louis Stevenson's classic book, 1.30-3pm. Suitable for all ages!

**Easter Eggstravaganza and Spring Fun**  
Wednesday 8 April  
2.30-3.30pm

Fun craft event for children aged 5-11.

## KINGSBURY COFFEE MORNINGS

**The 1924 Wembley Exhibition and the Art of Display**  
Tuesday 25 February  
11am-12noon

Although the British Empire Exhibition has become famous for the poor taste of its exhibits, it was a significant moment in exhibition design, led by Sir Lawrence Weaver. Historian of twentieth century design and art, Alan Powers explores this.

**Health Awareness Workshop 50+**  
Tuesday 31 March  
11am-12noon

Join retired practice nurse Hope Roberts to find out how to stay healthy 50+.

**Good Health starts with Good Posture**  
Tuesday 28 April  
11am-12noon.

Join Dr Lalit Sodha to learn about the importance of good posture in maintaining wellbeing.



# THE LIBRARY AT WILLESDEN GREEN

## EXHIBITIONS

### What is Empire?

Thursday 2 January-  
Friday 1 May

The British Empire Exhibition was a key moment in Wembley's history. Explore what 'Empire' truly means and how we might acknowledge the past with a critical eye, while preserving its heritage.

### Identity and Self

Thursday 16 January-  
Sunday 2 February.

A group exhibition showcasing 27 local artists working with a range of materials, celebrating the characters, spirit and cultures of the borough.

### 20:20 Stories of Moving Lineage

Until Sunday 16 February

#### Ground floor

Multimedia exhibition casting a long lens over the personal memories of 20 refugee families who arrived in the UK 20 years ago. Includes artistic responses from Brent school children.

### House of Life Exhibition

Until Sunday 16 February

Second floor exhibition space. Never before seen heritage of London's pre-eminent Victorian Jewish Cemetery, introducing the fascinating lives of individuals buried there.

### All Roads Lead to Brent Exhibition

Monday 24 February-  
Friday June 26

**Ground and second floor.** Brent Museum and Archives teamed up with a group of young Brent locals to put on an exhibition to ask what makes the borough. Focusing on the last 20 years, it will look at industry, transport, theatre, music and sport. Public launch: Thursday 27 February, 6-8.30pm.

### Broadway

Monday 24 February-  
Saturday 4 April

Second floor. Photographs and films celebrating the strong and supportive communities of Cricklewood and Willesden.

## EXHIBITION

**Culture Move:  
Sampled History**  
Friday 24 April-  
Sunday 28 June

#### Second floor

**exhibition space**  
Spanning art, music and performance this dynamic exhibition traces the diverse cultural heritage of Brent and explores the history of sampled music in the borough since the advent of Hip-Hop. Meet the artists and watch a performance by the percussion orchestra at the public launch on Thursday 23 April, 6-8.30pm.

## Willesden Gallery

The Gallery is available to hire for solo and group exhibitions. For more information contact [Nadia.Nervo@brent.gov.uk](mailto:Nadia.Nervo@brent.gov.uk)

## Brent Start Maths Workshops

Tuesdays from 14 January  
3.30-6pm

Get tips for helping with homework Key Stage 1-4, as well as improving and developing your own Maths skills. For parents and children aged 5+

## Code club

Wednesdays: 15 January,  
29 January, 12 February,  
26 February, 11 March,  
25 March, 22 April,  
6 May, 20 May  
4-5pm

Learn how to code. For children aged 8-11.

## Come Mek We Larf: Valentines Comedy Special

Friday 7 February  
Doors 7.30pm  
Showtime 8pm

Valentine's special for all you lovebirds. Hosted by Mr Cee. Early Bird Tickets £12, £15 general sale, £20 on the door. Book at [www.brent.gov.uk/events](http://www.brent.gov.uk/events)

## Seasons: Circus in the Library

Monday 17, Tuesday 18  
and Wednesday 19 February  
Sessions at 1pm and 3pm

Following their previous productions Pitch! and Once Upon a Pillow Fight, circus company Upswing returns to explore our relationship with the environment. Suitable for families with children age 5-12.

**Monster Truck Mayhem**  
Thursday 20 February  
2.30-3.30pm

Fun craft event for children aged 5-11.







### Brent Start Family Learning

Saturday 22 February:  
11am-1.15pm

Saturday 4 April:  
2.30-4.45pm,  
Minecraft Village.

Fun workshops for parents/carers and children aged 5-11. Maximum of two children per adult. Reserve your place at the library.

### Ancestry workshop 101

Tuesday 3 March  
6.30pm

Join Brent Museum and Archives for introduction to using Ancestry to aid your family history research. To sign up please contact Brent Museum at [museum.archives@brent.gov.uk](mailto:museum.archives@brent.gov.uk) or 020 8937 3600



### The Perfect Sofa with special guest Bookstart Bear!

Wednesday 4 March  
10-10.30am

Celebrate World Book Day with this story by Fifi Kuo. For the under 5s.



### Bulbs for the Spring and Summer Garden

Tuesday 10 March  
11am-12noon

Learn which bulbs will give you colour through summer into autumn and plant your own to take away. Spaces limited, please reserve your place at the library.



### Stoneface: the rise and fall of Buster Keaton

Friday 20 March  
6.30-8.30pm

Dubbed the Great Stone Face Joseph "Buster" Keaton was the great innovator of silent movie comedy. His elaborate movies, crafted with the mind of an engineer, work like hilarious machines, full of stunts and visual tricks. Film historian Will Bird delves into Keaton's amazing career. Includes screening of 1924 film *Sherlock Junior*. £3, book via [www.brent.gov.uk/events](http://www.brent.gov.uk/events).

### Culture Move Art Sampling Workshop

Saturdays: 21 and 28 March,  
2-4pm

Education room 2nd floor

Participants are invited to bring objects and images, relevant to their life in Brent. These are a basis for creating artwork for participants to take home. 'Sampled' artworks can be included in the exhibition. <https://artsampling1.eventbrite.co.uk> and <https://artsampling2.eventbrite.co.uk>

### Culture Move Music Sampling Workshop

Saturday 16 May, 2-4pm  
and Saturday 13 June  
2-4pm

Education Room, 2nd floor  
Participants learn about the history of sampled music, the techniques involved, take part in a demonstration and remix

tracks based on recordings of local percussionists. <https://musicsampling1.eventbrite.co.uk> and <https://musicsampling2.eventbrite.co.uk>

### An evening of music from the American Songbook

Tuesday 24 March  
6.30-7.30pm

Musical duo The Right Mix, Alan Breslaw (guitar) and Barbara Golstein (vocals), deliver a charming performance of songs by composers such as George Gershwin and Cole Porter. £3, book via [www.brent.gov.uk/events](http://www.brent.gov.uk/events)

### Baby Disco Teddy Too Under 5 Party

Friday 27 March  
11-11.45am and  
12-12.45pm

Bring your teddy to this fun music and dance session. Advanced tickets: £2.50 per child and per adult. Ticket desk opens at 10.45am. Please purchase tickets in advance. Tickets strictly limited on the door: £3.50 per child and per adult. Children must be accompanied by an adult, siblings welcome. Book at [www.brent.gov.uk/events](http://www.brent.gov.uk/events)

### Easter Eggstravaganza and Spring Fun

Tuesday 7 April  
2.30-3.30pm

Fun craft event for children aged 5-11.

### Build-A-Drone Workshop



Tuesday 14 April 2-4pm

Use coding and programming to model, build and fly your own drone with the Global Air Drone Academy. For young people aged 8-13. Space limited, reserve your place at the library.



### Beyond Windrush: How to Trace Your African Caribbean Ancestors

Tuesday 21 April  
6.30-8pm

Want to extend your family tree? Paul Crooks, author and trailblazing genealogist with a specialist interest in Black history will reveal his top tips to get you started. To book: [paulcrooks.info](http://paulcrooks.info)



### Hooray for Cricklewood! The story of Britain's biggest film studio

Thursday 30 April  
6.30-7.30pm

On the site of Cricklewood's Matalan store once stood Britain's largest film factory. Cricklewood Studios became the home for everything from the popular 1920's Fu Manchu and Sherlock Holmes film series, to big budget features and some of Britain's earliest talkies. Join film historian Will Bird for an illustrated talk on this fascinating episode in Brent's cultural history.



# W E M B L E Y L I B R A R Y

## Spine Festival 2020: Our World March onwards

Our annual spoken word and cross-art form festival, Spine, returns with an exciting programme of free, creative events for children and young people. This year we're celebrating young people's power to change the world, and the future of our planet. Expect to be surprised, inspired and entertained! Ask in the library for information.

## Brent Start Maths Workshops

Wednesdays from  
15 January 3.30-6pm

Get tips for helping with homework up to Key Stages 1-4, as well as improving and developing your own maths skills. For parents and children aged 5+.

## Code club

Every Thursday:  
From 16 January  
(except 19 February,  
9 and 16 April)  
4-5pm

Learn how to code.  
For children aged 8-11.

## CoderDojo club

Saturdays: 18 January,  
1 February, 7 March  
1-2.30pm

Build a website, create an app or game. For young people aged 9-13.

## If Only Hair Could Talk

Tuesday 11 February  
12.30-1.30pm

An afternoon with author and trichologist Lorna Jones discussing her book *If Only Hair Could Talk*, followed by a Q and A. Copies of the book will be on sale for £5.99.

## Murder Mystery Whodunit!

Tuesday 18 February  
2.30-4pm

Solve the clues using STEM!  
For ages 8-13.

## Monster Truck Mayhem

Wednesday 19 February  
2.30-3.30pm

Fun craft event for children  
aged 5-11.

## STEM to the rescue! Survival workshop

Thursday 20 February  
11.30am-1pm

Develop the skills to equip you for the environmental challenges of life in the future. Have you got what it takes...? Ages 11-14. Space limited, reserve your place at the library.

## Build-A-Drone Workshop

Thursday 20 February  
2-4pm

Use coding and programming to model, build and fly your own drone with the Global Air Drone Academy. For young people aged 8-13. Space limited, reserve your place at the library.

## Brent Start Family Learning

Saturday 22 February:  
Minecraft Village  
2.30-4.45pm.

Wednesday 15 April:  
Beads and Bracelets  
for Mums

11am-1.15pm.

Brent Start workshop for parents/carers and children aged 5-11. Maximum of two children per adult. Reserve your place at the library.



## The Perfect Sofa with special guest Bookstart Bear!

Thursday 5 March  
10am-2.30pm

Celebrate World Book Day! Join us for face painting, crafts, book gifting, Bookstart Bear at 11am and 12.30pm and information on entitlements for parents returning to work. For the under 5s.

## Stroke Awareness

Thursday 19 March  
12.30-1.30pm

Join the Stroke Association to find out more about reducing the risks and how to recognise the signs of stroke.

## Easter Eggstravaganza and Spring Fun

Tuesday 7 April  
2.30-3.30pm

Fun craft event for children  
aged 5-11.







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