

# Event

## Wombles return to Wimbledon



This October sees the return of The Wombles with Bloomsbury's relaunch of their much-loved series of books by Elisabeth Beresford. Wimbledon Bookfest is hosting a party on Saturday 9 October (10am) and there will be Womble appearances (or sightings!) throughout the day.

Big Tent Wimbledon Common, (next to the War Memorial), Wimbledon Village, SW19. 10-10.45am. Tickets: £3. Appearances: 9.45am, 12noon, 1.45pm, 2.45pm. Box office: 020 8543 4888 (Polka Theatre)

Visit the website for details of other children's events including talks by Michael Morpurgo and Michelle Magorian ([www.wimbledonbookfest.org](http://www.wimbledonbookfest.org))

## BEST THEATRE

FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER

### Mission to Mars

It's 2035, and we're ready to send the first human beings to Mars. Ever wondered if you have what it takes? Come and experience all the excitement, danger and discovery of the next giant leap into space...

Till 6 Nov; Tickets £6-£12. Polka Theatre, 240 The Broadway, Wimbledon SW19 1SB 020 8543 4888 [www.polkatheatre.com](http://www.polkatheatre.com)

WEDNESDAY 13 OCTOBER

### Lost and Found

Once there was a boy and he found a penguin at his door... so he decided to help it find its way home, even if that means going all the way to the South Pole. Perfect festive treat from the author of *How to Catch a Star*, Oliver Jeffers.

To 12 February; Tickets £9 (concs £7). Polka Theatre, 240 The Broadway, Wimbledon SW19 1SB 020 8543 4888 [www.polkatheatre.com](http://www.polkatheatre.com)



TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER

### Tom's Midnight Garden

Image Theatre Company's production of Philippa Pearce's magical classic.

Tickets £10.50. Epsom Playhouse, Ashley Avenue, Epsom, KT18 5AL 01372 742555 [www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk](http://www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk)

THURSDAY 28 OCTOBER

### Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus

A show full of feathers and fun.

Tickets £8.50. Epsom Playhouse, Ashley Avenue, Epsom, KT18 5AL 01372 742555 [www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk](http://www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk)

SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER

### Peppa Pig

Peppa is a playful little piggy who likes jumping up and down in puddles. Today is a very special day, it's her birthday. Come and join in the fun with Peppa, her brother George, and Suzy Sheep, Danny Dog and Emily Elephant. Celebrate with lots of oinks.

Till 31 Oct; Tickets £12.50-£16.50, family ticket £54. Richmond Theatre, The Green, Richmond, TW9 1QJ 0844 871 7651 [www.ambassadorickets.com/richmond](http://www.ambassadorickets.com/richmond)

## BEST FOR WILDLIFE

MONDAY 16 OCTOBER -

### Duck of the day talks

Learn about WWT's conservation work and the birds' habitat, breeding and migration and the problems that face them in the wild.

Till 22 Oct; 10.30am. WWT London Wetland Centre, Queen Elizabeth Walk, Barnes SW13 9WT 020 8409 4412 [www.wwt.org.uk](http://www.wwt.org.uk)

SATURDAY 23 OCTOBER

### Half term activities

Pond dipping, themed arts and crafts sessions and identifying creepy crawlies!

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SUNDAY 31 OCTOBER

### Hallowe'en party

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## WORKSHOPS

### Eadweard Muybridge

#### Workshops

Children will be introduced to Muybridge and examine original artefacts and contemporary artworks and create artworks in response their experiences.

Workshop 1: 25/09/2010, Kingston Museum

Workshop 2: 09/10/2010, Stanley Picker Gallery

Workshop 3: 23/10/2010, Kingston Museum

For full programme of workshops, see websites below. All workshops commence and end at listed venue and run 1.30pm to 3.00pm. Workshops are open to all children age 5 - 11 years. Parents and carers are welcome to stay and view or take part in the activities or events, or return at 3pm.

Booking is essential. £5 per child (details below).

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SATURDAY 2 & SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER

### The Big Draw: Drawing on Colour Flight

Children and parents draw shapes and patterns onto clear 16mm film which will then be fed through a projector and brought alive with movement and light. Inspired by *Colour Flight* by Len Lye, the master of painting on film, which will be specially screened for this workshop. Suitable for 5 yrs +.

10.30am; 90 mins. hmvCurzon Wimbledon, 23 The Broadway, SW19 1QB [www.campaignfordrawing.org](http://www.campaignfordrawing.org)

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



## Hallowe'en

### Haunted house

You're guaranteed a spooked time with this fantastastic Sparkly Halloween spider, £5, and Happy Halloween felt decoration, £4 (from John Lewis).



SUN 24 OCT

### Scary Hallowe'en food ideas

Bake and Scare Halloween recipes for all the family with Malcolm Harradine who will be scaring us all with his baked offerings...

Bentalls, Wood Street, Kingston 020 8546 1001 ext 6022 [www.bentalls.co.uk](http://www.bentalls.co.uk)



### Trick or treat

This pumpkin bag from BHS is perfect for trick or treat-ing!

## Design a t-shirt!

The Harlequins are looking for schools and sports clubs to get their kids (aged 7-14) to design the official warm up t-shirt for the entire squad, which they will wear before the BIG GAME 3 at

Twickenham Stadium on

Monday 27 December! The prize includes 16 tickets for the game, the winning t-shirt and being photographed on the pitch on the day. Use your imagination and create a design that incorporates the spirit of rugby, Harlequins, London, the amazing atmosphere of Twickenham Stadium and the festivities of Christmas. Judging are Harlequins Captain Chris Robshaw, Capital Radio and Head of the Quins Supporters Club.

To enter, visit [www.timeandleisure.co.uk](http://www.timeandleisure.co.uk) to download the t-shirt templates and create your design. Full competition details and information on where to send your designs are available on our website. Closing date Monday 1 November. For BIG GAME 3 tickets (Harlequins V London Irish), call 0844 847 2492. Schools and clubs should call 020 8410 6058 or email [communitytickets@quins.co.uk](mailto:communitytickets@quins.co.uk)

