
Services for Primary, Secondary and Special Schools

Get ready for Black History Month with our free temporary exhibition: Windrush 70 – Brent’s pioneering Windrush Generation Exhibition Space, The Library at Willesden Green. Until 29 Oct 2018

We are celebrating 70 years since the Empire Windrush docked in the UK. Join us for an exhibition and display exploring Brent’s Caribbean heritage with photographs of Brent residents. Experience a traditional West Indian ‘front room’ with our instillation highlighting items from the local community and Brent Museum.



Special offer: book a visit to the Windrush exhibition for one or more classes and get one of our regular workshops free (for up to 35 children). You can see which workshops are available in our brochure and also download our Windrush Exhibition i-spy sheet at <https://www.brent.gov.uk/services-for-residents/brent-museum-and-archives/schools-programme/> Spaces are subject to availability.

If you would like a free 10 minute assembly presentation at your school about the Windrush exhibition or about the history of the area around your school, please do contact me.



Mr Rev. Mitchell moved to Harlesden in 1957 where he decided to settle as he liked Brent and found the people “social” which reminded him of Jamaica. His family, including his daughter Liz Mitchell, who would go on to become an acclaimed reggae singer and member of Boney M, then came over to join him. He still lives in Harlesden and was awarded an MBE for Community Work and Service in 2014.

Visits to Brent Museum displays and workshops

Brent Museum's interactive displays explore **Brent from prehistoric times to the modern day.**

Themes include: early Brent (including prehistoric, Roman and Saxon), homes in the past, Brent at War and Wembley Stadium/Olympics in Wembley. The displays are very visual, colourful and engaging. You can find out more about Brent Museum here:

<https://www.brent.gov.uk/museum>



Primary School workshops

News! We are in the process of creating a **KS2 prehistory workshop about Brent**, available from January 2019.

Our interactive, hands-on history workshops **all have strong links to the Brent area.** You can come to Brent Museum at The Library at Willesden Green or **we can come to your school.** Our workshops give pupils the opportunity to explore these topics: **Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Ancient Egypt, Local Area studies tailored to the area around your school, WW1, WW2, Somali community in Brent, Victorians, Homes and Toys.** All workshops are hands-on and use age-appropriate resources. We use artefacts, maps, images, replica artefacts and costumes to help children engage with the topics. Our workshops support history, geography and literacy studies. There is a charge for workshops. We have a range of worksheets to support your pupils in the galleries; classes can bring their own lunches to eat in the Education Room. Full details of workshops are in our brochure (attached to this email) or under 'Things to Read'. <https://www.brent.gov.uk/services-for-residents/brent-museum-and-archives/schools-programme/>



We welcome bookings from teachers of SEN pupils. Do contact us to discuss what your students' needs and how we can support you.

New archives workshops! Secondary School Archives workshops

Students learn about the function of an archive and typical daily activities from a member of archives staff. They then learn how to handle and explore Brent Archives materials such as newspapers, photos, maps and street directories to explore the topic of their workshop. Workshop topics include WW2 in Wembley and Suffragists in Willesden. Search Room space is limited to 15 students, classes normally divide into two and half the class visits the Museum whilst the other half has their 30 mins workshop and then they swap over.

Two half hour workshops for up to 35 students in total cost £62.

"Thank you again for organizing such a useful workshop for our AS students yesterday, it will be very helpful in adding to our understanding of the local area", Hilary Froome, Alperton Community School.



“Thank you so much for your visit, the children loved the workshop and have learnt so much! They are excited to paint their amulets next week...” Elin Jones Salusbury Primary School.

“The children really enjoyed the workshop and were very engaged, both in the museum and Roman workshop.” Mrs Martin, Preston Manor Lower School.

“Thank you so much for Monday, it was great and the follow up lesson yesterday showed how much the class enjoyed it and gleaned loads of information from it”. Sharon Ezekiel, Torah Temimah Primary School.

“Thank you for making it the best trip ever!” pupil from St Mary C of E Primary School.

Temporary exhibitions

Generations of Learning Display, Community Wall, The Library at Willesden Green. May - August Display exploring the unique heritage of Pakistani and Irish communities in Cricklewood collected through Heritage Lottery Funded oral history project with Ashford Place.

Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWL) Arts in Health Display, Community Wall, The Library at Willesden Green, 6 August – 28 September. An exhibition of art work produced by NHS patients at their on-site weekly studio sessions with works taking inspiration from pieces in the Wellcome Collection and Brent Museum and Archives. Private view on the 10th of August. 2-4pm. All welcome.

2018 Celebration Suffragette Banners, Community Wall, Brent Civic Centre, 9 August – 30 October . Brent Museum and Archives and Convent of Jesus and Mary Language College are part of a London wide project ‘100 Banners’, to mark the anniversary of women getting the vote. This project is funded by lottery players through the Heritage Lottery Fund to commemorate the centenary of the Representation of the People Act. Inspired by suffragettes such as local woman, Mary Blake, young people created 3 banners which are on display.

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Events for Adults

Caribbean Connections: Windrush 70, Tuesday 11 September, 6.30-7.30pm, The Library at Willesden Green. Come and listen to multiple award winning poet Hannah Lowe discuss poetry, Caribbean immigration and what it means to be British.

Projects

If you are interested in creating a display to go in a display case or working with us in another way, please do contact us. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

With best wishes

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