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Children's Literature Festival

by Fulham Pier

A weekend of stories,
adventures and inspiration –
for ages 1–12

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26 & 27
September
2026



Prologue

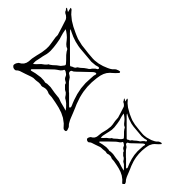


The inaugural Fulham Pier Children's Literature Festival brings together a fantastic line-up of authors, captivating shows, cosy storytelling sessions on beanbags and plenty of activities to keep little bookworms entertained.

There'll also be free crafts, face painting, live music and lots more to discover.



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find out more
& book your spot



Chapter One: SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

10am – 10.45am ●

Rescue, Rubble and Rewards with Lucy Macleod

Join Lucy Macleod, London Fire Brigade's Borough Commander for Hammersmith and Fulham, for a lively reading of Rescue, Rubble and Rewards. Inspired by real-life rescue work, the story follows firefighter Lucy, wellbeing dog Blue, and a team of specialists responding when a building collapses.

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10am – 10.45am ●●

Baby Broadway

Baby Broadway is a lively, interactive concert experience for the whole family, featuring songs from classic musicals and films performed by talented West End singers. Designed with both young children and adults in mind, the show creates a relaxed, welcoming space where little ones can move freely, join in, and play as they listen.

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11am – 12.45pm ●



The Scruffapillar Live on Stage

Get ready for a magical musical adventure as Chickenshed's Tales from the Shed team bring J.D. Okoro's beloved children's book to life, with an original score by Kenny Forrest. Through music, puppetry, rhyme and movement, follow a confident little caterpillar with a big secret as he meets a colourful cast of quirky characters along the way. Get ready to sing, move and join in.

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11.15am – 12pm ●

Kitty & Carter's Fulham Adventure with Ed Vanson

Join Kitty and Carter, two young tour guides, on an exciting Fulham adventure. Discover fascinating facts, hear stories and explore the people, places and moments that make Fulham Football Club so special with Stadium Tour Manager and author Ed Vanson.

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12pm – 1pm ●

Family Mindfulness with Little Tweaks

Give little minds a moment of calm with our fun and engaging family mindfulness session. Through simple breathing exercises, creative activities, and grounding techniques, children will learn how to relax, focus, and build emotional resilience in a playful, supportive environment.

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1pm – 2pm ●

Manga Masterclass with Rich T

Come along and learn to draw a Japanese-style graphic with local manga artist Rich T. Suitable for complete beginners, this hour-long session will teach children how to create a character from scratch using the power of their imagination!

All materials are provided.

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2pm – 3pm ●

The Ice Cream Crocodile with Mariesa Dulak

Roll up, roll up! Join award-winning author Mariesa Dulak for a croc-tastic interactive story time of *The Ice Cream Crocodile*, packed with animal actions, games, dancing, dress-up and a Q&A.

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3pm – 4pm ●

Together Street by Clare Helen Welsh

A lively, interactive event where children join Ash as he shows his new neighbour, Nell, around Together Street. Through story, games and song, children will explore what makes a community and how small acts of kindness matter. Children then take part in a draw along with illustrator Robyn Wilson-Owen and make something to take home.

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3.30pm – 5pm 

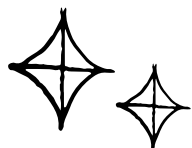
Secret Family Film Club

Join us for a relaxed family film screening, inspired by a much loved children's book. A welcoming space for families to enjoy a favourite story together, with children free to move, chat and take in the film in their own way – without the expectations of a traditional cinema setting.

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Chapter Two SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

10am – 10.45am 

Wake up & Bop with Bop Stars

Through music, movement, sensory fun and imaginative play, we bring little worlds to life — sparking imaginations, encouraging curiosity and exploration, building confidence and supporting those all-important early development skills

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10am – 11am  

Long Live the African Queens with Onyinye Iwu

Did you know that some of the most powerful leaders in history were African queens? Join author-illustrator Onyinye Iwu for a vibrant, hands-on session celebrating twelve incredible women who ruled, fought and inspired across the African continent. Discover their stories, hear about their victories — and then design yourself as royalty.

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11am – 12pm ●

The Scruffapillar with J.D. Okoro

Join acclaimed author J.D. Okoro for a reading of *The Scruffapillar*. A charming tale about a little caterpillar with a secret, who sets off on an exciting adventure and meets new friends along the way. Families can also enjoy a draw-along and hand-puppetry.



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1pm – 2pm ●

An Interactive Twirly Session with Farrah Riaz

Step into the world of Farrah Riaz's *The Twirly Wiggly Dance* for an hour of storytelling, drawing, dancing and fun. Dive into the inspiration behind the story, enjoy a fun interactive story time, and play an engaging true-or-false game complete with hand gestures. Then, take part in a live draw-along, learn a super easy dance routine to get everyone moving, and finish with a book signing. Perfect for young readers, dreamers, and families.



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11.30am – 12.30pm ●

African Drumming with Kay Smith

Experience the joy of drumming together as a family, step into the rhythm and discover African djembe drumming with Kay Smith in a lively, family-friendly drum circle. For centuries, African drumming has brought people together to celebrate, communicate, connect and express the many rhythms of life. A chance to put the screens away, try something new and enjoy making music together.



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The Princes and the Pea with Peter Bently

Join Peter for a lively reading of the story, *The Princes and the Pea*, followed by a creative writing activity where children will discover simple tips for starting their own picture-book story. A joyful, creative session celebrating stories, imagination and following your heart.



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2.30pm – 4pm ●

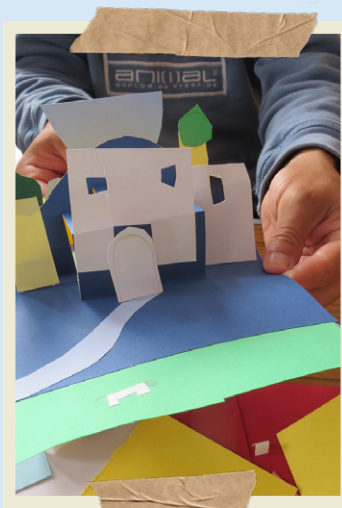
Pop-Up Book Workshop

with John O’Leary

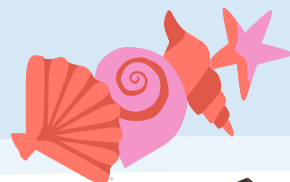
Discover the world of pop-up design with popular author, illustrator and paper engineer John O’Leary. Learn the basics of pop-ups and discover how to develop simple mechanisms into more complex designs in easy-to-follow steps. This fun family workshop will give budding creators everything needed to start designing pop-up cards and books.

All materials are supplied –
just bring the creativity.

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4pm – 5pm ●

Who Ate Steve – Picture Book Making

with Susannah Lloyd

Come along with Susannah for a fun-filled workshop inspired by her naughtiest picture book yet, Who Ate Steve?

Hear her top tips for making amazing stories, then let imaginations run wild and start creating an incredible picture book.

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Writing to Protest!

with Rebecca Lewis Oakes

Join local author Rebecca Lewis-Oakes for Writing to Protest, a creative workshop inspired by her Dream Keepers series.

Find a cause close to the heart, get creative and design a protest banner to take home.

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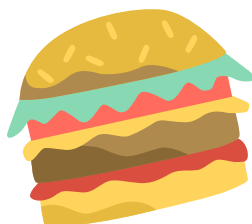




Why not make a day of it?

Refuel at Riverside Market, London's only riverside food hall, with something for everyone – from juicy burgers and Middle Eastern favourites to tacos and pizza. And for little ones, our kids' meal deals are just the thing for hungry tummies.

Plus check out The Scene – our interactive space where digital art comes to life through motion sensors. Colour in hot air balloons or send fish swimming with a wave of your hand, offering fun and discovery for all.

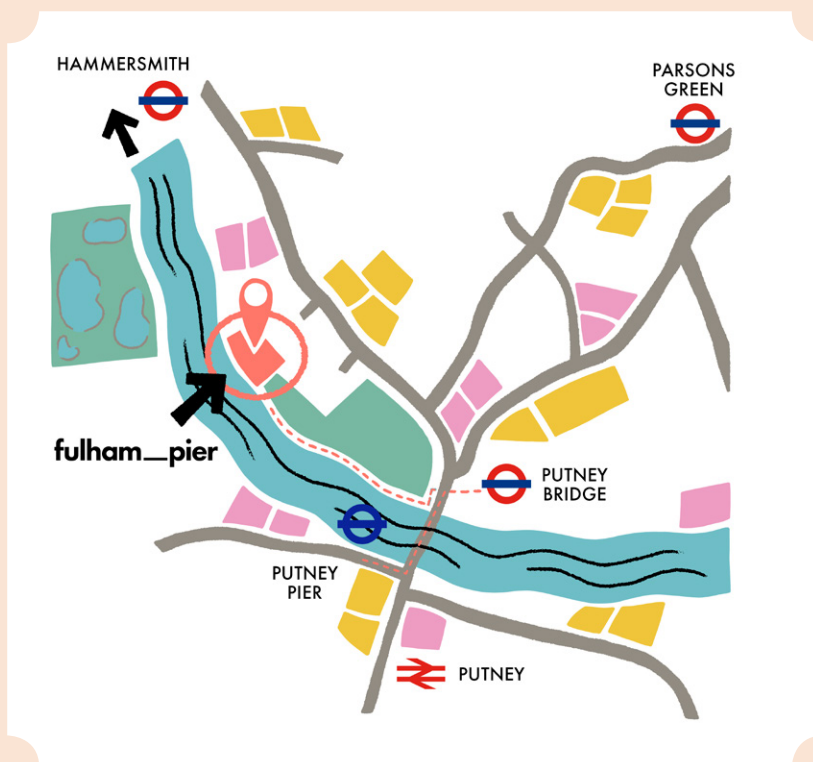


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