

Ecology Service

Events Programme 2014



THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF
KENSINGTON
AND CHELSEA



This year the Ecology Service is promoting even more walks, talks and workshops giving people a chance to explore and learn about the wildlife and biodiversity right here in London.

In September 2013 we moved into our new purpose-built Ecology Centre within Holland Park. The Ecology Centre is the meeting point for most of our events.

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The Ecology Service work includes:

- promoting awareness and understanding of biodiversity and the local environment through formal and informal education
- protecting sites which are important for nature conservation
- developing local policies for nature conservation
- advising on the management of open spaces to enhance biodiversity within the borough

Environmental visits for schools

The Ecology Centre provides a key facility for local schools to study and enjoy the natural environment, and can be booked for field trips and environmental education workshops throughout the year. Outdoor investigations take place in the Holland Park Wildlife Area, which features a wildlife pond with a dipping platform; woodland and grassland habitats. Visiting groups can work independently or with a member of staff.

Ecology Centre opening times

Monday to Friday: 3pm to 5pm

1st and 3rd Sat of every month: 1.30pm to 4.30pm
(April to September)

We will be opening up the Ecology Centre for drop-in on the first and third Saturday of each month from **5 April**. Occasionally the opening of the centre will coincide with one of our themed open days in the Wildlife Area and you will find us there instead. Should the centre be in use for school groups, holiday activities, events or centre hire we will not be able to open during our regular opening hours.





During the Saturday drop-ins you will be free to have a look around the centre, read one of our nature books, draw a stuffed animal, carry out some other activities and pick up a trail map or similar to explore the park.

Please note that due to Easter we will be open on the first and second Saturdays of April instead.

Children's holiday activities

The Ecology Centre runs a scheme of outdoor and creative activities for five to twelve year olds in the spring, summer, and half-term holidays.

Booking events

Due to high demand, booking is essential for Holiday Activities and some events. Please telephone the Ecology Centre or organiser for details or to reserve your place as spaces may be limited for safety reasons and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Details are subject to change.

No dogs policy

Please do not bring dogs with you to any of our events other than the Little Wormwood Scrubs Fun Day since they may scare off the wildlife.

How to find us

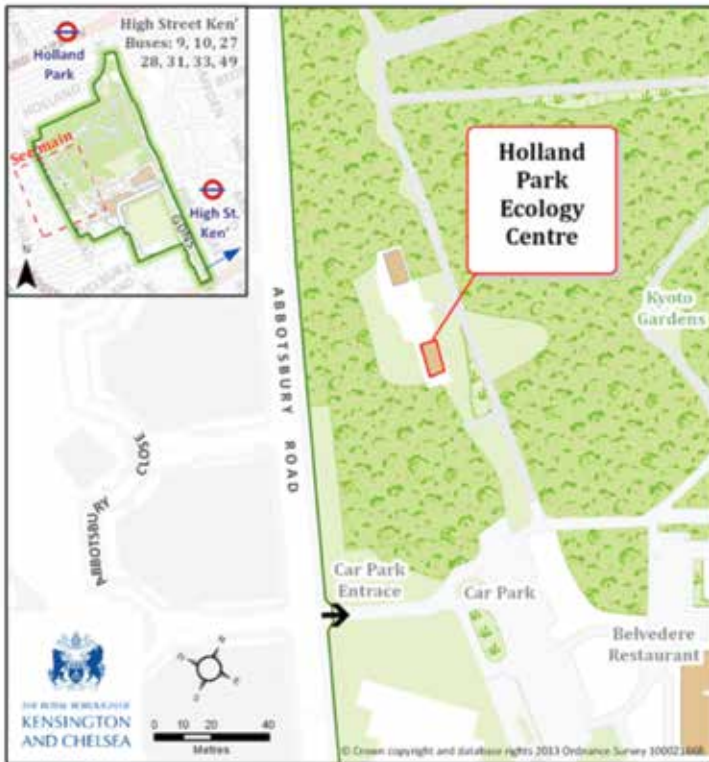
The Holland Park Ecology Centre is located next to the Adventure Playground near the Abbotsbury Road Car Park. Entrance to the park is via Abbotsbury Road Car Park, Ilchester Place Gate, Duchess of Bedford Gate or from Holland Walk and Holland Park Avenue.

We strongly advise using public transport if possible.

Travelling by bus: Buses 9, 10, 27, 28, 49 and 328 pass Holland Park

Travelling by tube: The nearest tube stations are Holland Park and Kensington High Street





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 ecology.centre@rbkc.gov.uk

 020 7938 8186

 www.rbkc.gov.uk/ecology

 [rbkc_ecology](https://twitter.com/rbkc_ecology)

 [R.B.K.C. Ecology](https://www.facebook.com/R.B.K.C.Ecology)

Reoccurring events

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Days

On the third Saturday of each month (except for April and December which are the second Saturday) you can join us for a practical conservation volunteer workday in Holland Park. It is a great opportunity to get out and about, meet new people, get active, help local wildlife and have fun. Tasks in the past have included clearing vegetation, cleaning the pond out, scything and planting out.

The workdays are organised by Groundwork London, free to attend and are aimed at adult participants. We meet outside the Holland Park Cafe at 10.30am, finishing at 3.30pm. Tea, gloves, tools and instructions are provided.

Task Force 4 Nature volunteer days are on Saturdays:

15 February, 15 March, 12 April, 17 May, 21 June, 19 July, 16 August, 20 September, 18 October, 15 November, 13 December.

For more information:

www.london.groundwork.org.uk.

020 8762 0322 or Netty.Ribeaux@groundwork.org.uk

Bird and Nature Walks in Holland Park

The Friends of Holland Park organise a Bird and Nature Walk on the first Saturday of each month. Led by varying people knowledgeable in the wildlife and botany of Holland Park these guided nature walks around the park look for fauna and flora of seasonal interest. They also include updates on ecology related matters in the park.

The walks are open to the general public who have interest in birds and nature.

Walks last from 9am to 10.30am, meeting at Holland Park Cafe.

Bird and Nature Walks are free to attend and occur on Saturdays:

1 February, 1 March, 5 April, 3 May, 7 June, 5 July, 2 August, 6 September, 4 October, 1 November, 6 December.

For further information:

Contact the Friends of Holland Park on

020 7602 0304 or visit www.thefriendsofhollandpark.org



Woodland Explorers

Woodland Explorers will run on the third Saturday of the month from April to September. It is a chance for children aged 5-10 to explore the Wildlife Area in the spring and summer. Activities will take place outside and include conservation tasks, environmental art and craft, nature exploration and games. Activities will be supervised by two of our education officers, but children aged under eight must be accompanied by an adult.

We will meet for these sessions at 10.30am at the Ecology Centre before walking up to the Wildlife Area. We will return to the centre for 12.30pm.

Due to Easter, the April session will be on the second Saturday of the month. **Session dates are:** 12 April, 17 May, 21 June, 19 July, 16 August, 20 September

Pre-booking and advance payment of £4.20 (RBKC residents) or £5.40 (non-residents) for each session is essential.

Events

FEBRUARY

Saturday 1 February **Bird and Nature Walk** **in Holland Park**

Saturday 15 February **Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day**

Monday 17 to Friday 21 February **Half Term Children's Holiday** **Activities in Holland Park**

The Ecology Service runs a scheme of environmental activities for children in the half term holiday utilising the park and our wooded Wildlife Area. Our fun packed programme for 5-10 year olds includes outdoor activities like shelter building and orienteering and animal themed craft sessions on animal tracks and birds. Further information will be published on our website closer to the time.

- 📍 Holland Park Ecology Centre
- 💷 £4.10 per 2hr session (RBKC residents);
£5.20 per 2hr session (non-residents)

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Saturday 22 February **Moss Walk in Holland Park**

Discover the mosses that grow in the park with retired bryologist and botanist Alan Harrington. Please bring your own hand lens of at least x10 magnification.

- 🕒 11am to 1pm, in the Stable Yard, Holland Park (W8 6LU)
- B** 020 7602 0304
- F A** *Organised by the Friends of Holland Park*

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Saturday 22 February

Open Day:

Animal Homes at the Ecology Centre

This drop-in event is an opportunity for you to help us create a home for wildlife in the park and search for animal homes through our nestbox trail. Outside the Ecology Centre we will be making a minibeast hotel by filling disused pallets with all sorts of materials that make a good habitat for insects. If you have any old small terracotta flowerpots, red bricks, tiles, slates or stones please bring them along with you to add to the hotel.







 12 noon to 4pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

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MARCH

Saturday 1 March

Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park

Saturday 15 March





Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day

Wednesday 26 March

Hedgehog Talk in the Ecology Centre

The hedgehog was voted Britain's "national species" in a BBC Wildlife poll in 2013. Learn more about these rarely seen mammals and how we can encourage them into our gardens. This talk will be led by Henry Johnson, The People's Trust for Endangered Species' Hedgehog Officer.

 6.30pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

    Sponsored by the Friends of Holland Park

APRIL

Saturday 5 April


Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park

Thursday 10 April

Amphibian Walk and Talk in Holland Park

Frogs, toads and newts are the focus of this evening moot. Sivi Sivanesan of Froglife will be leading this talk followed by a walk around the park to search for these creatures in the ponds and wood. Please bring a torch.

 7.30pm to 9.30pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

 *Sponsored by the Friends of Holland Park*

Saturday 12 April

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day

Saturday 12 April

Woodland Explorers

Monday 14 to Friday 25 April

Easter Children's Holiday

Activities in Holland Park

The Ecology Centre runs a full programme of fun outdoor and creative activities for children in the Easter holidays. Outdoor activities are based in our wooded Wildlife Area and include animal tracking, camouflage and the ever popular pond dipping. We also run craft focused sessions about different animals or with a seasonal theme. Two hour sessions for five to ten year olds run from 10am to 12 noon and 2pm to 4pm. A few sessions for eight to ten year olds run from 11am to 3pm. Further information will be published on our website closer to the time.

 Holland Park Ecology Centre

 £4.20 per 2hr session or £7.90 per 4hr session (RBKC residents);
£5.40 per 2hr session or £9.50 per 4hr session (non-residents)



Friday 25 April

Children's Night Safari in Holland Park







Join the Ecology Team for a fun filled evening to search for the park's nocturnal inhabitants and explore the woods at night. For five to ten year olds only. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring a torch with you.

 7.30pm to 9pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

 £4.20 per 2hr session (RBKC residents);
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| FEBRUARY | Saturday 1 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 15 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Monday 17 to Friday 21 | Half Term Children's Holiday Activities in Holland Park |
| | Saturday 22 | Moss Walk in Holland Park, 11am-1pm |
| | Saturday 22 | Open Day: Animal Homes at the Ecology Centre, Drop-in 12noon-4pm |
| MARCH | Saturday 1 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 15 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Wednesday 26 | Hedgehog Talk in the Ecology Centre, 6.30pm |
| APRIL | Saturday 5 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Thursday 10 | Amphibian Walk and Talk in Holland Park, 7.30pm-9.30pm |
| | Saturday 12 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Saturday 12 | Woodland Explorers, 10.30am-12.30pm |
| | Monday 14 to Friday 25 | Easter Children's Holiday Activities in Holland Park |
| | Friday 25 | Children's Night Safari in Holland Park, 7.30pm-9pm |
| | Saturday 26 | Wiggler Wrangling: Earthworm Talk and Dig, 10.30am-12.30pm |
| | Wednesday 30 | Wildlife Gardening Talk in the Ecology Centre, 6.30pm-8pm |
| MAY | Saturday 3 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 10 | Dawn Chorus Bird Walk in Holland Park, 5am |
| | Wednesday 14 | Bat Walk in Holland Park, 8.30pm |
| | Saturday 17 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Saturday 17 | Woodland Explorers, 10.30am-12.30pm |
| | Wednesday 21 | Urban Botany Walk in Holland Park, 6.30pm-8pm |
| | Tuesday 27 to Friday 30 | Half Term Children's Holiday Activities in Holland Park |
| JUNE | Saturday 7 | Open Day: Amphibian Antics in the Wildlife Area, Drop-in 2pm-6pm |
| | Saturday 7 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Wednesday 11 | Summer Wildflower and Folklore Walk in Holland Park, 6.30pm-8pm |
| | Saturday 14 | Friends of Holland Park Summer Tree Walk, 11am-1pm |
| | Wednesday 18 | Urban Bees Talk, 6.30pm – 8pm |
| | Saturday 21 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Saturday 21 | Woodland Explorers, 10.30am-12.30pm |

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| JULY | Saturday 5 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 5 | Open Day: Creepy Crawlies in the Wildlife Area, Drop-in 2pm-6pm |
| | Saturday 12 | Butterfly and Moth Morning in Holland Park, 10am-12noon |
| | Wednesday 16 | Tree Walk: The Basics, 6.30pm-8pm |
| | Saturday 19 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Saturday 19 | Woodland Explorers, 10.30am-12.30pm |
| | Monday 28 July to Friday 29 August | Summer Children's Holiday Activities in Holland Park |
| AUGUST | Saturday 2 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 2 | Open Day: Dragonflies in the Wildlife Area, Drop-in 2pm-6pm |
| | Saturday 16 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Saturday 16 | Woodland Explorers, 10.30am-12.30pm |
| | Friday 29 | Children's Night Safari in Holland Park, 7:30pm-9pm |
| SEPTEMBER | Saturday 6 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 13 | Bird Ringing Demonstration, Drop-in 7.30am-11.30am |
| | Saturday 13 | Autumn Folklore and Flora Walk in Holland Park, 2pm-4pm |
| | Wednesday 17 | Bat Walk in Holland Park, 7pm |
| | Saturday 20 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Saturday 20 | Woodland Explorers, 10.30am-12.30pm |
| OCTOBER | Saturday 4 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 4 | Nature Photography Camera Skills Workshop in Holland Park, 10am-4pm |
| | Saturday 4 | Open Day: Autumn's Harvest in the Wildlife Area, Drop-in 12 noon-4pm |
| | Saturday 18 | Friends of Holland Park Autumn Tree Walk, 11am-1pm |
| | Saturday 18 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| | Saturday 25 | Fungi Foray in Holland Park, 2pm-4pm |
| | Monday 27 to Friday 31 | Half Term Children's Holiday Activities in Holland Park |
| NOV | Saturday 1 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 1 | Open Day: Feed the Birds, Drop-in 12noon-4pm |
| | Saturday 15 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |
| DEC | Saturday 6 | Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park, 9am-10.30am |
| | Saturday 13 | Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer day, 10.30am-3.30pm |

Saturday 26 April

Wiggler Wrangling: Earthworm Talk and Dig

Learn more about the Earth's great aerators. Join the Natural History Museum's earthworm curator Emma Sherlock and research assistant Keiron Brown for an informative talk on earthworms followed by a dig. Be prepared to get dirty!

 10.30am to 12.30pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

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Wednesday 30 April

Wildlife Gardening Talk in the Ecology Centre

Do you want to know how to enhance your garden to encourage native wildlife? Caroline Ware, the Natural History Museum's Wildlife Garden Manager, will be sharing her expertise and gardening tips followed by a walk in the park to look at plants and features that are beneficial to wildlife.

 6.30pm to 8.00pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

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Credit: Hugh Clarke / Bat Observation

MAY

Saturday 3 May Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park




Saturday 10 May Dawn Chorus Bird Walk in Holland Park

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Early spring is an excellent time to experience the world's oldest wake-up call – the dawn chorus – and the beauty of bird song. Led by professional ornithologist, Bill Haines. This event has an early start and offers listeners a truly memorable experience as the dawn chorus builds from the first cheep to a crescendo of birdsong.

 5am, Abbotsbury Road Car Park, Holland Park

   *Sponsored by The Friends of Holland Park*

Wednesday 14 May Bat Walk in Holland Park

Discover the park's flying nocturnal residents with Philip Briggs of the London Bat Group. After an introductory talk head on a walk around Holland Park to search for these mammals equipped with bat detectors. Please bring a torch with you.

 8.30pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

  *Donations to the London Bat Group are encouraged*

 *Sponsored by the Friends of Holland Park*

Saturday 17 May **Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day**

Saturday 17 May **Woodland Explorers**

Wednesday 21 May **Urban Botany Walk in Holland Park**

Interested in learning how to identify some of our urban plants? Ecologist Annie Chipchase will lead this wildflower walk through the park.

 6.30pm to 8pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

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Tuesday 27 to Friday 30 May **Half Term Children's Holiday** **Activities in Holland Park**

Children aged five to ten can participate in our nature-themed, outdoor and creative activities to explore the park and Wildlife Area. There will be activities relating to plants, animals and outdoor survival such as shelter building. The activity programme will be available on our website closer to the time.

 Holland Park Ecology Centre

 £4.20 per 2hr session (RBKC residents);
£5.40 per 2hr session (non-residents)

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JUNE

Saturday 7 June

Open Day: Amphibian Antics in the Wildlife Area

Our amphibian focused drop-in event is a great chance to explore this hidden corner of the park. This wooded area is only open to the public a few times a year. In spring the woods are bursting with new life and growth, with spring woodland flowers and trees coming into leaf. Discover which amphibians lurk in the wildlife pond and which ones are hiding in the woods.

 2pm to 6pm, Holland Park Wildlife Area, Holland Park

F A C

Saturday 7 June

Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park

Wednesday 11 June



Summer Wildflower and Folklore Walk in Holland Park

Learn how to recognise different species of wildflower and discover more about the forgotten uses of our native flora. Roy Vickery, a botanist and plant lore expert, will be leading this evening walk around Holland Park.

 6.30pm to 8pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

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Saturday 14 June

Friends of Holland Park Summer Tree Walk

Holland Park has an amazing collection of exotic and native trees. Join Alan Harrington, a retired botanist from the Natural History Museum, to discover how to identify different trees around the park and learn some fascinating botanical facts and figures. Contact the Friends of Holland Park for further information on **020 7602 0304** or visit **www.thefriendsofhollandpark.org**.

 11am to 1pm, Stable Yard, Holland Park

F **A** *Organised by the Friends of Holland Park*

Wednesday 18 June

Urban Bees Talk

Come and learn about urban bees. Learn how urban beekeeping and honey production can be a means for pollinator conservation with Caroline Birchall of The Bee Collective. Jinny Seals – a volunteer for the Bumblebee Conservation Trust, will discuss bumblebee ecology and conservation. Park's Officer, Monica Castellino will give an insight into Holland Park's beehives. This is also a great chance to sample some of Holland Park's own honey!

 6.30pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

F **B** **A** *Sponsored by the Friends of Holland Park*

TBC

Friends of Little Wormwood Scrubs Fun Day

The annual Fun Day organised by the Friends of Little Wormwood Scrubs will be having the usual stalls and events. The birds of prey and farm animals will be back and there will be a Dog Show early on in the day. Ecology Centre staff will help you to find some minibeasts. Contact **sdebrant@gmail.com** for further information.







 2pm to 4pm, Little Wormwood Scrubs (W10)

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Saturday 21 June
Woodland Explorers

Saturday 21 June
Task Force 4 Nature
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JULY

Saturday 5 July

Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park

Saturday 5 July

Open Day: Creepy Crawlies in the Wildlife Area

Enjoy and explore the Wildlife Area on a summer's day. Search for minibeasts to experience wildlife first-hand. You can also learn more about the trees through our self-guided trail.

🕒 2pm to 6pm, Holland Park Wildlife Area, Holland Park

F A C

Saturday 12 July

Butterfly and Moth Morning in Holland Park

Investigate the butterflies and moths found in the park with lepidopterist Tim Freed. Start by discovering which species have been attracted into the moth trap and then take a guided walk to seek out butterflies.

🕒 10am to 12 noon, Holland Park Ecology Centre

F B A *Sponsored by The Friends of Holland Park*

Wednesday 16 July



Tree Walk: The Basics

This walk, led by a member of the Ecology Education Team, gives a basic introduction to native tree species. You will learn how to hone your identification skills using examples found in Holland Park.

 6.30pm to 8pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

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Saturday 19 July

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day

Saturday 19 July

Woodland Explorers

Monday 28 July to Friday 29 August

Summer Holiday Children's Activities in Holland Park

Throughout the summer holidays, the Ecology Centre runs a fun filled environmental themed programme of outdoor and creative activities. Past holidays have included sessions on dragonflies, mammals, spiders, beans, grasses, animal homes and trees. Two hour sessions for five to ten year olds run from 10am to 12 noon and 2pm to 4pm. A few sessions for eight to ten year olds run from 11am to 3pm. The summer holiday programme will be published on our website in July.

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 £4.20 per 2hr session or £7.90 per 4hr session (RBKC residents);
£5.40 per 2hr session or £9.50 per 4hr session (non-residents)

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AUGUST

Saturday 2 August

Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park

Saturday 2 August

Open Day: Dragonflies in the Wildlife Area

Summer is the season for dragonflies and damselflies to emerge. Drop-in to the Wildlife Area and identify these insects as they hover above the pond. See if you can find their nymphs through pond dipping. Otherwise just stroll around the woods to explore this rarely opened area.

🕒 2pm to 6pm, Holland Park Wildlife Area, Holland Park

F A C

Saturday 16 August

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day

16 August

Woodland Explorers

Friday 29 August

Children's Night Safari in Holland Park

Discover the park after dark. Children aged between five and ten years can join the Ecology Team for a fun filled evening to search for the park's nocturnal inhabitants and explore the woods at night. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring a torch with you.

🕒 7.30pm to 9pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

£ £4.20 per 2hr session (RBKC residents);
£5.40 per 2hr session (non-residents)

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SEPTEMBER

Saturday 6 September Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park







Saturday 13 September Bird Ringing Demonstration

Drop in to the Wildlife Area to see wild birds in the hand and hear about how the national ringing programme works. You will also learn how bird ringing aids conservation and our knowledge of birds' migratory patterns.

 7.30am to 11.30am, Holland Park Wildlife Area, Holland Park

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Saturday 13 September

Autumn Folklore and Flora Walk in Holland Park

Join botanist and plant lore expert Roy Vickery on an afternoon walk around Holland Park. Learn how to recognise different species of wildflower and discover more about the forgotten uses of our native flora.

🕒 2 to 4pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

F B A *Sponsored by The Friends of Holland Park*

Wednesday 17 September

Bat Walk in Holland Park

Join an expert from the London Bat Group and delve into the nocturnal world of bats. Learn about their natural history in an informative talk before searching for them within Holland Park equipped with bat detectors. Please bring a torch with you.

🕒 7pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

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Saturday 20 September

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day

20 September

Woodland Explorers









OCTOBER

Saturday 4 October **Bird and Nature Walk in** **Holland Park**

Saturday 4 October **Nature Photography** **Camera Skills Workshop** **in Holland Park**

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Learn how to get better nature pictures from your camera and understand more about the controls. This workshop is for beginners with DSLR, Bridge or Compact Cameras and will cover topics including composition, exposure and the best way to upload your images to your computer. You will practice your skills in the park with your tutor, professional photographer Bruce Tanner.

 10am to 4pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

 £27.50 RBKC residents; £33.30 non-residents

Saturday 4 October **Open Day:** **Autumn's Harvest in the Wildlife Area**

Holland Park's Wildlife Area will be open for you to explore. Search for the colours, fruits and seeds of autumn.

 12 noon to 4pm, Holland Park Wildlife Area, Holland Park

Saturday 18 October

Friends of Holland Park Autumn Tree Walk

Join botanist, Alan Harrington, to explore Holland Park's collection of native and exotic trees. Discover how to identify different trees on this autumnal walk around the park and learn some fascinating botanical facts and figures. Contact the Friends of Holland Park for further information on **020 7602 0304** or visit **www.thefriendsofhollandpark.org**.

 11am to 1pm, Stable Yard, Holland Park

F A *Organised by the Friends of Holland Park*

Saturday 18 October

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day

Saturday 25 October

Fungi Foray in Holland Park

Search the wildlife area and other enclosures with expert Mark Spencer from the Natural History Museum to find the fungi on display at this time of year. Learn how to identify common species and hopefully discover some great specimens.

 2pm to 4pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre

F B A *Sponsored by the Friends of Holland Park*

Monday 27 to Friday 31 October

Half Term Children's Holiday

Activities in Holland Park

Nature themed, outdoor and creative activities for children aged five to ten. Please see previous holiday activities on 27 May for more details.

 Holland Park Ecology Centre

 £4.20 per 2hr session (RBKC residents);
£5.40 per 2hr session (non-residents)

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NOVEMBER

Saturday 1 November

Bird and Nature

Walk in Holland Park

Saturday 1 November

Open Day: Feed the Birds

Pop into the Ecology Centre to make a seed ball to feed to the hungry winter birds. Hang it up in the area outside the Ecology Centre or take it home for your garden birds.

 12 noon to 4pm, Holland Park Ecology Centre, Holland Park (W8)

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Saturday 15 November

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day

DECEMBER

Saturday 6 December

Bird and Nature Walk in Holland Park

Saturday 13 December

Task Force 4 Nature Volunteer Day





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