

## What's On: Spring & Summer 2024



### The Hilldrop Food Hub (term-time only)

**Tuesday Lunch Club & Social:** Join us for tea & coffee and a free hot lunch served after 12pm. We provide a supportive environment in which to relax and make friends. Guests are welcome to browse our book collection, get involved in craft activities or just relax in our warm rooms.

*Tuesdays (term-time) from 10 – 2.30pm (4pm during winter) in the Small Hall & Training Room. Tea & coffee from 10am. Lunch served after 12pm. **Free.***

***There is no lunch club during the school holidays.***

All inquiries: [elaine@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:elaine@hilldrop.org.uk). **The service is drop-in** If you wish to refer someone who may need additional assistance please contact Elaine.

### Gardening (term-time only)

The **Hilldrop Community Garden** & nearby raised beds are the combined work of dozens of local volunteers who've given their time tending & improving them over the years. We're always seeking green fingered volunteers to join us for our Thursday afternoon gardening session.

*Thursday afternoons (term-time) from 12 - 3pm. **Free.** There are no gardening sessions during the school holidays.*

To register please contact: [elaine@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:elaine@hilldrop.org.uk).

### Hilldrop Ukulele Group (term-time only)

Singing and ukulele playing of classic and contemporary songs; rehearsals leading to group performances. Singers and other instrumentalists are welcome.

*Fridays (term-time), 12.30-2.30pm, Main Hall. **£1 - £2** contribution per session*  
Contact: [office@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:office@hilldrop.org.uk)

### CHOIR: The Camden Harmony Singers (term-time only)

The Camden Harmony Singers are a friendly community choir who sing a variety of music styles from folk to jazz, gospel to pop and songs from many cultures, traditions and faiths.

Singers of any ability are welcome to join, from complete beginners to those with more experience. Choir leader Aaron teaches all songs by ear, so there is no need to read sheet music.

*Wednesdays 6.30 - 8.30pm in the Main Hall (term-time – please check dates on the website).*

Please check term dates & prices at [www.camdenharmonysingers.com](http://www.camdenharmonysingers.com). **Fees apply** but the first session is free to new members.

Contact: [info@camdenharmonysingers.com](mailto:info@camdenharmonysingers.com)

## Walking Art Workshops – 2 new courses for Spring & Summer 2024

If you enjoy creative activities linked to getting out and about, the **Walking Art** Workshop is free to Camden & Islington residents.

We'll be running **two new 5 week courses**. The first will begin on Wednesday 17th April, running until the 15th May. The second will begin on Wednesday 5th June and will run until the 3rd July.

*NEW START TIMES: Wednesdays from 10.00 to 12.30 (term-time).*

*Meet in the Small Hall. Please arrive promptly to take part in planned walks.*

If you're interested in joining one or both courses please email [helen@cutmoose.com](mailto:helen@cutmoose.com)

## Sewing Course with Islington Adult Community Learning

**Starts 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024.**

Free 10-week course for sewers who want to improve their skills, get creative with their own projects or collaborate on community works. All levels are welcome. **This is not a drop-in and we are unable to take any new participants once the course has started.** Equipment provided.

*Thursdays (term-time). 10am to 12pm. Large Hall. Free*

To register your interest please email: [elaine@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:elaine@hilldrop.org.uk)

## Bengali women & children's groups (term-time only)

Members only social group for Women of Bengali heritage to network, learn Bengali and Arabic and study the Quran. Includes a homework club for primary aged children.

*Tuesdays 10am-12.30pm Main Hall. Saturdays 10am – 12.30pm Small Hall*

*Tuesdays (children's homework club) 3.45 -4.30pm Small Hall*

Contact: [office@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:office@hilldrop.org.uk)

## Alcoholics Anonymous

Support group to help men and women achieve and sustain sobriety.

*Sundays 12pm - 1.30pm, Small Hall*

Contact: [office@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:office@hilldrop.org.uk)      National helpline 0800 9177 650

## Olokoro Community Group

A members-only gathering for the local Nigerian community that takes place on the last Sunday of each month from 6 – 9pm.

Contact: [office@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:office@hilldrop.org.uk)

## Creative Dinners – currently on hold. New dates to be announced in Summer 2024

Cut Moose invite Islington & Camden families to Creative Dinners! Come and make a meal with the family, play some arty games, and enjoy a free sit down dinner together. Ingredients provided.

*Wednesdays from 3.30 - 5.30pm (term-time). Free.*

To register your interest please email [helen@cutmoose.com](mailto:helen@cutmoose.com)

## Children's Activities & Services

### Stay & Play (term-time only)

**Stay and Play will not run from Wednesday 27th March to Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April. It returns on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April and will run until Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, after which the service will close.**

Play group for under 5's and their parents, with weekly themes such as healthy eating, musical instruments and sing-along. Parents can also borrow from a variety of books and toys kept in our **Toy Library** for up to two weeks.

*Mondays & Wednesdays from 9.45 – 11.15am. Main Hall.*

Cost: Minimum **£1** donation per child.

Register on arrival, or contact [office@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:office@hilldrop.org.uk)

### Play Project After School Club & Holiday Playscheme

Affordable childcare with a full range of fun and stimulating activities geared toward primary-aged children (4-11yrs) and run by our qualified, friendly and experienced staff.

Our **After School Club** runs from 3.45pm-6pm, Monday to Friday during term-time with free 'walking bus' collections provided to children from Hungerford and Tufnell Park Primary Schools.

Our **Holiday Play Scheme** runs from 8.15am-5.30pm Monday to Friday during the Half Term, Easter and Summer Holidays (excluding all Bank Holidays) and is open to children from any school.

**Fees Apply.** Visit [www.hilldrop.org.uk/play-project](http://www.hilldrop.org.uk/play-project) for further information

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### Bright Futures Early Help Service

The Bright Futures Early Help team work with 5-19 year olds and their families to link them with services and activities designed to improve outcomes for children and young people. Advice sessions run on Wednesday afternoons from 2pm - 3.45pm at Hilldrop.

To make an appointment with a practitioner, contact the helpline on 020 7527 4343 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm) or email [early.help@islington.gov.uk](mailto:early.help@islington.gov.uk).

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