



Lewisham Borough of Culture - Education Update (September 2021 – Part 2)

Lewisham Education Arts Network (LEAN), as the official education partner for Lewisham Borough of Culture 2022, will be ensuring schools and educational settings across the entire borough are kept up-to-date on plans as they are confirmed.

To download our last education update newsletter - with information about 'Day One', the Flag Workshop, the L-BoC Bop & funding opportunities - click [here](#)

Coming Up!



Cultural Connectors Programme Launch Event Tuesday 12 October, 4.00 - 5.30pm On Zoom

LEAN is inviting **teachers and professionals working in Lewisham based schools, 6th forms, colleges and early years settings** to join us at the online launch of the **Cultural Connectors Programme**.

We will be joined at this online event by producers and some of the key artists/organisations involved in 'Day One' of Lewisham Borough of Culture 2022.

They will share information, sneak-peeks and ways for your setting to be involved. There will also be time to hear more about the Cultural Connectors programme and to let us know what you would most like to see at future Cultural Connectors events.

This event is for teachers and staff from schools, colleges and early years settings within the London Borough of Lewisham only.

Register for the event [here](#).

Don't Forget!

The Walk

Friday 22nd October 2021
Deptford High Street

From July to November 2021, a giant puppet of a 9-year-old refugee girl called Little Amal will walk from the Syria-Turkey border, across Europe to the UK. As a lead-in to Lewisham Borough of Culture 2022, Deptford High Street will host the arrival of Little Amal in October 2021, introducing her to this part of the borough and supplying her with gifts for her onward journey.

Schools can [use the education pack](#) to follow Amal on her learning journey or create their own [Act of Welcome](#) and share it online.

Lewisham Borough of Culture - 'Day One'

Friday 28 January 2022

'Day One' will include the flying of flags specially created by local young people and artist Jacob Sam-le-Rose, pop up performances of the L-BoC BOP (a piece of choreography created by IRIE! Dance Theatre and performed by children across the borough), a big screen will be in Lewisham High Street streaming the activity which is taking place across the borough and Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan will officially open the festivities.

More information on opportunities for schools and young people can be found in the last newsletter, which is downloadable [here](#)

SPOTLIGHT ON



We are keen to use this newsletter to spotlight some of the incredible work and projects taking place in Lewisham schools and educational settings. Don't forget to let us know about your big projects by tagging [@LEANarts](#) in social media posts, or emailing creativecareers@leanarts.org.uk

Ms Carry at **Honor Oak Pre-School** got in touch to tell us all about how much their children love storytime and that they had recorded a series of storytelling videos for families to also listen to at home.

Their children's bookstore has lists of recommended stories for early years, supporting small booksellers

and promoting early years literacy.

The videos are all on YouTube [here](#), so snuggle up and tune in!

THINGS TO NOTE



Inspire Lewisham is a tailored programme for Lewisham residents aged 16 and above who are currently NOT in work, education and training.

The project will help participants to develop skills through training, advice and guidance (including paid placements and personal industry mentors) and aims to support participants to find employment within the creative industries.

If, outside of your educational settings you know of anyone 16 and above who may be interested in this brilliant opportunity please direct them [here!](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Phoenix Community Housing - Community Chest (*Deadline 15 October 2021*)

Phoenix Community Housing are partnering with Lewisham Borough of Culture in providing £12,500 from our Community Chest fund. The grants available are up to a maximum of £2,500 to support the Borough of Culture themes which are:

- **We will protect this place we love** – a call to action on climate change
- **We are strengthened by our diversity** – a celebration of our borough of sanctuary
- **We will be happy here** – a commitment to building an inclusive society, working together to deliver change

Projects must be delivered in the Phoenix areas of Bellingham, Downham and Whitefoot and **schools are eligible to apply**.

Closing date for applications is **Friday 15 October at 12 noon**.

The Application Form and Criteria documents are available via the Phoenix website: <https://www.phoenixch.org.uk/communitychest> and there are a series of advice sessions for potential applicants, further details of which can be found in the Criteria Document on the website.

LEAN will continue to share Borough of Culture news via this regular mailout, and there are lots of other ways to keep-in-touch.

Visit the LEAN website for news, opportunities, resources and more.

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