



**VIDYAPATH CHILDREN'S LITERARY FESTIVAL
24 JUNE 2018 - SWISS COTTAGE LIBRARY**

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY

Start time	End time	Activity	Age group
11.30am	12.15pm	<p>Geeta Srivastava – Hindi teacher</p> <p>In this fun, interactive workshop, pick up Hindi words and explore Indian culture. Also get ready to get your hands messy making animal shapes among others. All material and wipes will be provided.</p>	ALL
11.45am	12.30pm	<p>Sonal Sachdev Patel & Jemma Wayne-Khattan Authors, <i>Gita: The Battle of the Worlds</i></p> <p>An interactive story session with Sonal and Jemma giving kids greater insight into ancient texts like the <i>Gita</i>. The session includes a short guided meditation for kids.</p>	ALL
12.30pm	1.10pm	<p>Nayanika Mahtani – author, <i>The Gory Story of Genghis Khan</i></p> <p>This session will present history to kids in a fun and engaging way, through the gory story about one of history's most feared characters Genghis Khan - with the use of interesting trivia, family trees, maps, timelines (and Genghis Khan's foot-tapping rap numbers!). Time-travel with Nayanika to explore how history depends on who is telling the story.</p>	7-11 years
12.30pm	1.30pm	<p>Chitra Soundar – author, <i>Falgu Farmer series, Pattan's Pumpkin, You're safe with me</i></p> <p>Find out how the stories Chitra listened to as a child and her mum's amateur drama club turned her into a storyteller and author. Enjoy Chitra's storytelling from her books Farmer Falgu Goes on a Trip, and You're Safe With Me. After the storytelling, get colouring and making masks.</p>	3 – 6 years

1.30pm	1.50pm	<p>Sunita Mistry Shah, speech and language therapist; Author – <i>The Jajais</i> series</p> <p>A must-attend talk for parents on the benefit of books and storytelling for enhancing kids’ development, particularly for bilingual kids. Sunita will also explain how to use the renowned ‘Blanks Language scheme’ for interactive storytelling with kids and how to choose age appropriate books for them.</p>	Parents
1.30 pm	2pm	<p>Theatre & dance performance by Marcina Urvashi</p> <p>Using music, dance and drama, Marcina will tell stories based on Indian mythology including those of Shiva, Durga and Krishna. Be prepared to join in the performance!</p>	ALL
2pm	2.30pm	<p>WOKA films introduced by their creator & author, Kiran Agarwal</p> <p>Presenting short films from WOKA – a new YouTube channel for kids, introduced by their creator Kiran Agarwal. Make sure you are paying attention to answer the quiz at the end and win the prize!</p>	ALL
2.30pm	3pm	<p>Shrabani Basu, author, <i>Victoria and Abdul</i></p> <p>Hear from the renowned author Shrabani Basu about her journey as a writer, and the story behind one of the most-acclaimed films of 2017. She will also share some of her research behind her book <i>Curry, The Story of Britain’s Favourite Dish</i>. Hungry anyone?</p>	ALL
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2.30pm	2.50pm	<p>Yoga for kids with Shweta</p> <p>Time to get all bendy-twisty! A taster session for kids to learn some basic yoga poses including a range of animal poses.</p>	ALL

3pm	4pm	<p>Gillian Gamble, illustrator and author</p> <p>A 'how to' session for making a picture book from this outstanding illustrator. Put on your creative hats for this session in which you will come up with a story and main characters for your very own picture book and then learn how to draw them.</p>	ALL
3.30pm	4.30pm	<p>Chitra Soundar – author, <i>Falgu Farmer series, Pattan's Pumpkin, You're safe with me</i></p> <p>Find out how the stories Chitra listened to as a child and her mum's amateur drama club turned her into a storyteller and author. Enjoy Chitra's storytelling from her books Farmer Falgu Goes to Market, and Pattan's Pumpkin. After the storytelling, get colouring and making masks.</p>	3-8 years
4pm	4.45pm	<p>Ashima Kumar – artist</p> <p>Adults and kids alike can join in this immersive 'Bond over art' session. Come and explore your creative side in this doodle art session and engage your head, heart and hand, all at the same time.</p>	Adults & kids (6+)
ALL DAY		<p>Children's Bookshop Muswell Hill selling books by all the authors attending the Festival and other kids' books</p>	ALL
ALL DAY		<p>DKMS stall doing swab tests for finding a blood stem cell donor for 5-year old Kaiya</p>	ALL
ALL DAY		<p>First Class Learning – talk about the programme and free Math and English assessments for children</p>	ALL
ALL DAY		<p>Arts and crafts station, slime making, face painting, hair braiding, henna</p>	ALL
ALL DAY		<p>Indian street food</p>	ALL