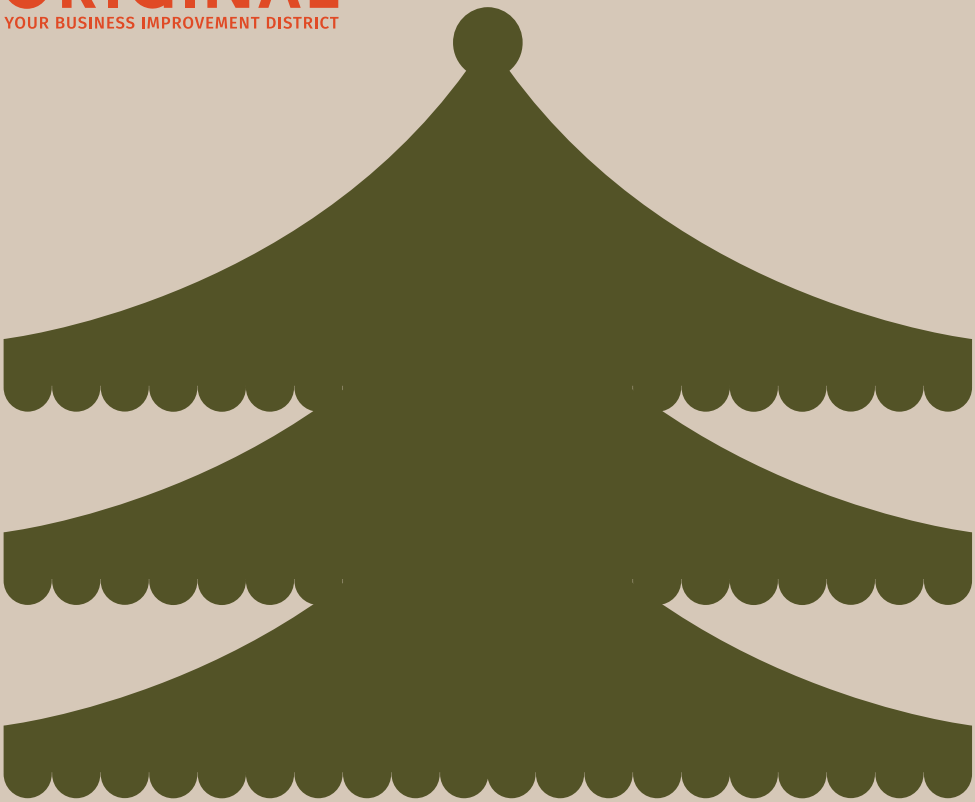
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FESTIVE TIME IN STRATFORD

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, LETS EXPLORE STRATFORD TOGETHER!



It's that exciting time of the year! Visit Stratford Town Centre this season to enjoy fun, festive, family events and activities. Take time to relax in Stratford's cafés and restaurants and pop into Stratford Shopping Centre and indoor market for your Christmas shopping!

On Wednesday 25 November we'll be getting into the festive spirit with our annual free Winter Wonderland in St Johns Church from 4.00pm to 7.00pm. During December, we will also offer you support with your Christmas preparation by offering 3 free gift wrapping services.*

For more details visit **stratfordoriginal.com** of in the Christmas guide further.

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WINTER WONDERLAND

WED 25 NOV
4PM - 7PM

ST JOHN'S CHURCH BROADWAY

FREE

Join us for the annual Winter Wonderland 2026 at Stratford St John's Church, between 4PM - 7PM.

This is a much-loved Stratford community tradition to celebrate the winter season. Bring your family and friends along for an afternoon of festive fun, delicious treats and plenty of seasonal cheer.

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY, INCLUDING:

- Live music to get you into the festive spirit
- Seasonal treats and warming hot drinks
- Fun games and activities for children and adults
- A special visit from Santa and his elves in the grotto
- Festive entertainers offering photo opportunities

Whether you're coming along for the entertainment, enjoying a hot drink with friends, or making magical memories with the family, Winter Wonderland is a wonderful way to celebrate the season together.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO WELCOME OUR COMMUNITY FOR A FESTIVE EVENING FILLED WITH WARMTH, LAUGHTER AND CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

**Please note: Refreshments and presents are available on a first come, first served basis.*

SCAN FOR DETAILS

SANTA'S GROTTO

KIDS ACTIVITIES

FUN GAMES



LIVE MUSIC

SEASONAL TREATS

We're delighted to announce that this year, Little Rainbow Nursery joined us as Lead Community Partner and will help to bring Winter Wonderland 2026 to life.

Little Rainbow Nursery was established in Stratford in 2009. For many years, our commitment to high-quality early years practice has set us apart in the care and education we provide. As our team's knowledge and experience have grown, so has the quality of our practice. Meet the fantastic team at Winter Wonderland 2026, join their craft activities and talk to them about their experience.

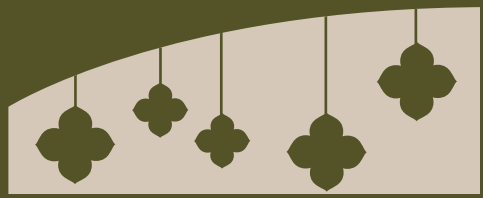
LITTLE RAINBOW NURSERY LTD

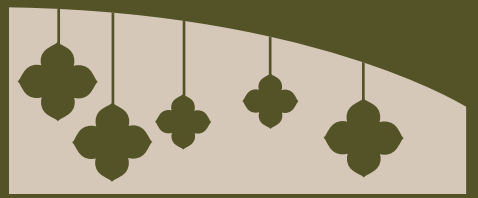
WINTER IN STRATFORD: FESTIVE WINDOWS TRAIL

NOV AND DEC | STRATFORD HIGH STREET

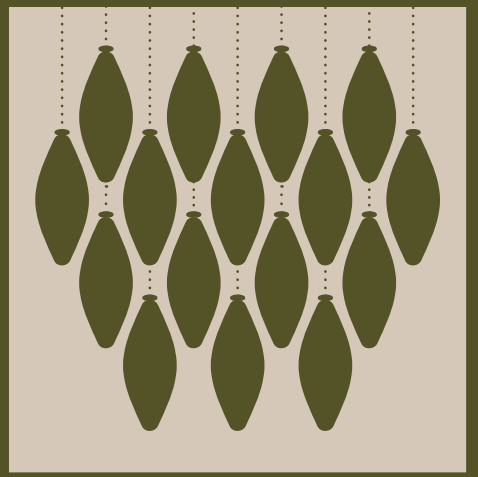
From 1 December, explore our Winter in Stratford window trail, connecting Theatre Square to Stratford High Street. Follow our little characters as they bring imaginative storytelling to local venues and iconic Stratford landmarks. This year, even more businesses are taking part, including: Discover Children's Story Centre, Stratford East, The Westbridge Hotel, Global Banking School, Stratford Shopping Centre and Us&Co. Pick up a trail map from participating venues, follow the trail and collect unique postcards along the way! For more information, keep an eye on our website as further details.

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CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS SWITCH ON

WED 25 NOV
4:30PM

OUTSIDE STRATFORD CENTRE - BROADWAY ENTRANCE

Once again Stratford Original BID is delighted to sponsor Newham Council's Christmas Tree Lights Switch-On! A local school choir will begin the celebrations with seasonal songs, and the lights switch-on will be followed by a lantern parade, so please bring your own lantern and join in!

UEL WINTER FESTIVAL

WED 25 NOV
FROM 12PM

UNIVERSITY SQUARE STRATFORD

Whether you're looking to get creative, enjoy some seasonal entertainment or simply spend time with friends, family and colleagues, this year's Winter Festival promises something for everyone.

Taking place at University Stratford Square, the festival will bring together staff, students, their families and the wider local community for an afternoon of activities, entertainment and opportunities to connect.

WITH FREE ENTRY/REGISTRATION REQUIRED

FREE GIFT WRAPPING

SAT 5, 12 + 19 DEC
12 - 4PM

STRATFORD SHOPPING CENTRE - CENTRE SQUARE

THIS FESTIVE SEASON, WE'RE MAKING YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING EVEN EASIER!

Stratford Original BID is offering a free gift-wrapping service for items purchased from local shops within the Stratford Original BID area. That includes Stratford Shopping Centre, The Grove, Broadway, and Stratford High Street.

Bring along your receipts for items bought in-store or online between 25 November – 19 December from eligible shops in our area.

Head over to our gift-wrapping station on one of the dates below.

Let us wrap your gifts beautifully, so you can tick one more thing off your holiday to-do list!

SCAN FOR DETAILS





SANTA IS COMING TO STRATFORD

18 DEC - 22 DEC

STRATFORD SHOPPING CENTER

You're Invited to Meet Santa! Visit Stratford Shopping Centre from 18–22 December and enjoy our FREE Santa's Grotto in the South Mall. A festive, family-friendly experience filled with Christmas magic and special memories for all. FREE to attend

LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOP

SAT 21 NOV
4:30PM

STRATFORD LIBRARY, 3 THE GROVE, LONDON, E15 1EL

JOIN US AT STRATFORD LIBRARY FOR A MAGICAL FAMILY WORKSHOP WHERE YOU'LL CREATE YOUR VERY OWN LANTERN!

Bring the whole family to craft and decorate a beautiful lantern to take home, then bring it back to help light up the night during our spectacular Lantern Parade at the Stratford Christmas Tree Lights On event on 25 November at 4.30pm. Drop in, get creative, and help us turn the town into a glowing work of art!



CHRISTMAS MAGIC AT STRATFORD LIBRARY

Join us at Stratford Library this Christmas and New Year for a fantastic programme of activities for children and families! Enjoy festive crafts, Christmas coding, storytelling, scavenger hunts, games, chess, table tennis, creative art sessions and fun family activities. Celebrate the season with Christmas favourites, then welcome the New Year with fireworks art, calendar making, coding and festive themed crafts. Drop in, get creative and make magical holiday memories with us!

CHRISTMAS BREAK ACTIVITIES

ALL THROUGH DECEMBER

STRATFORD LIBRARY, 3 THE GROVE, STRATFORD

MON 21 DEC - 10-11AM
Messy Play

MON 21 DEC - 3-4:30PM
Make a Magical 3D Christmas Card

TUE 22 DEC - 10-11AM
Christmas Story and Colouring Activity

TUE 22 DEC - 5:30-7:30PM
Chess Club / Table Tennis

WED 23 DEC - 2-3:30PM
Create Your Own Christmas Tree Decoration

WED 23 DEC - 4-5PM
Winter Coding Workshop

THU 24 DEC - 11-12:30PM
Christmas Scavenger Hunt

MON 28 DEC - 10-11AM
Messy Play

MON 28 DEC - 3-4:30PM
Design Your Own Firework Night Scene

TUE 29 DEC - 10-11AM
Stick Man Story & Stick Man Craft Fun

WED 30 DEC - 12-1PM
Design your own 2027 calendar

WED 30 DEC - 4-5PM
New Year's Coding Fun

THU 31 DEC - 11-12:30PM
New Year Activity Adventure

SAT 2 JAN - 11-1PM
Game Club / Table Tennis

SAT 2 JAN - 3-4:30PM
Design & Decorate Your Own Tea Coasters

SUN 3 JAN - 12-1:30PM
Festive Lego Adventure

SUN 3 JAN - 1:30-3PM
Matinee Movie with Popcorn

NEWHAM BUSINESS AWARDS 2026

THU 3 DEC | OLD TOWN HALL, STRATFORD

We're proud to be sponsoring the **Newham Business Awards 2026**, celebrating its 10th anniversary and recognising the outstanding businesses, entrepreneurs and organisations that make Newham's business community thrive.

Taking place on **3 December 2026**, the annual awards ceremony brings together over 200 guests to celebrate local achievement, innovation and success.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH SERVICES

ALL THROUGH DECEMBER | ST JOHN'S CHURCH BROADWAY, E15 1NG

FRI 11 DEC - 7PM
Transform Newham Civic Carol Service

SUN 13 DEC - 11AM
Christmas Jumper Sunday Service

SUN 20 DEC - 11PM
Carol Praise with Nativity Dress-up

SUN 20 DEC - 6PM
Candlelit Carol Service

THU 24 DEC - 11.15PM
Midnight Holy Communion

FRI 25 DEC - 11AM
Christmas Day Holy Communion

SUN 27 DEC - 11AM
Christmas Sunday Service

THU 31 DEC - 11PM
New Year's Eve Praise

FESTIVE SEASON AT THE SOURCE

ALL THROUGH DECEMBER | THE SOURCE, THEATRE SQUARE, STRATFORD

TUE 1 DEC - 7PM | Boxing Day (2021) | 12A
TUE 8 DEC - 7PM | This Christmas (2007) | PG13
TUE 15 DEC - 7PM | Film Title: The Man Who Invented Christmas (2017) | PG

Tickets - eventbrite.co.uk/e/film-nights-at-the-source



ROBIN HOOD AND THE MERRY MANDEM

21ST NOV 2026 -
2ND JAN 2027

THEATRE ROYAL STRATFORD EAST
GERRY RAFFLES SQUARE

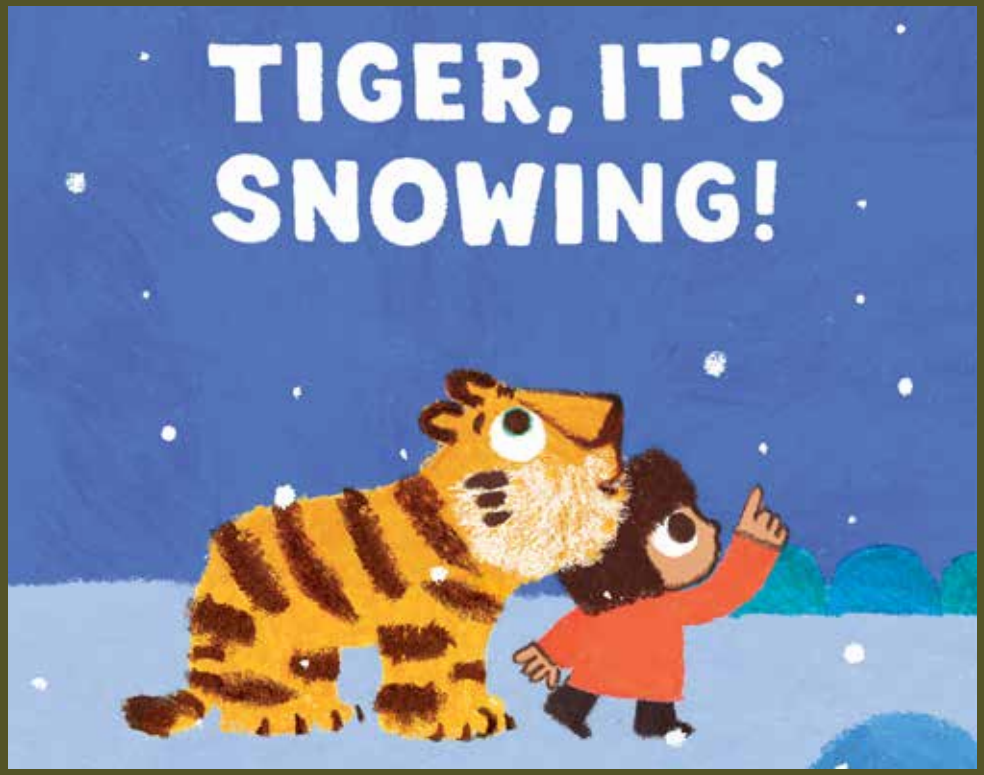
Stratford is buzzing. The lights are glowing. And deep in the heart of E15, a new kind of hero is taking off their blazer and putting on a hoodie.

Join the Merry Mandem as they zip across East London streets, stations, shops and estates. They roll through Maryland, dodge the Central line rush and keep a close eye on anyone trying to ship them off to that terrible place far, far, away at the other end of the line — a true villains punishment.

Robin and the crew are taking from the rich, backing the poor, and showing Stratford what happens when everyday people stand together. Expect an East End spectacle to remember, with stunning sets and costumes and rip-roaring comedy, Robin Hood will have you merrily riding off into the night.

A Stratford East production.





TIGER, IT'S SNOWING!

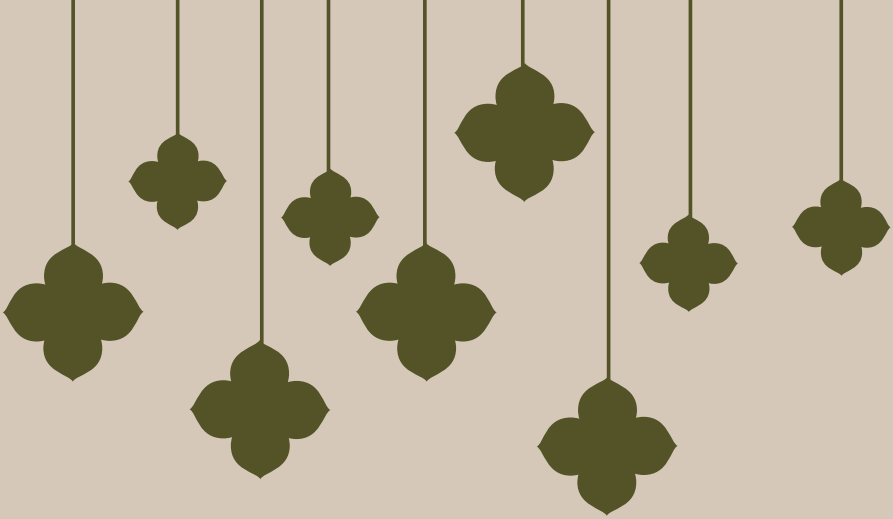
16 NOV 2026 -
24 JAN 2027

DISCOVER CHILDREN'S STORY CENTRE

JOIN US THIS WINTER FOR A CHARMING AND INTERACTIVE STORYTELLING SHOW — INCLUDES A SPECIAL GIFT WITH EVERY CHILD TICKET.

Two best friends are going on a whirlwind adventure and want you to come with them! Help Tiger and Mei dodge snowballs, taste snowflakes and discover all the joys of winter in this adventure-filled storytelling show, based on the book Tiger It's Snowing! By Daishu Ma. Includes a special gift with every child ticket. Suitable for ages 1-6 and their caregivers. Older and younger siblings welcome.

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