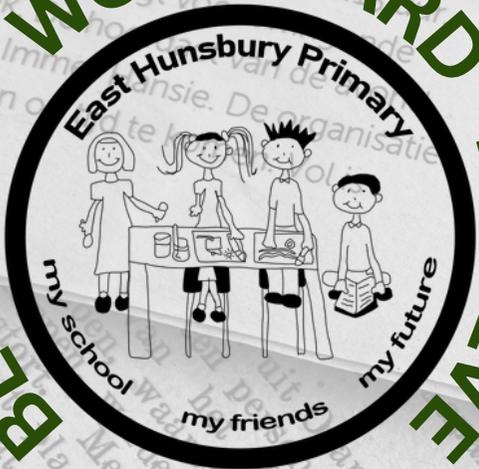


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# A Caribbean Carnival!

Every August Bank Holiday, the streets of north London are filled with the sights, sounds and smells of Notting Hill Carnival! The carnival began in 1966 as a celebration of Caribbean culture. Many people, who had moved to London from the Caribbean islands, wanted to share their traditions, music, and food with others. During the carnival, you'll see dancers in bright, beautiful costumes parading through the streets. The music is loud and lively, with steel bands, reggae, and calypso filling the air. There are also lots of food stalls where you can try delicious Caribbean dishes like jerk chicken, rice and peas, and fried plantains.



**Pictured:** Dancers at Notting Hill Carnival.  
**Source:** Canva.

Notting Hill Carnival is a celebration of community and culture. It's a time for people to come together, have fun, and enjoy the rich traditions of the Caribbean. Whether you're dancing, eating tasty food, or just watching the parade, there's something for everyone!

# Super Election Year

2024 has been a big year for leadership elections around the world, with voting taking place in many countries including India, Mexico, Russia and the UK. Citizens in the USA will follow suit in November to elect their future president. The president is similar to the UK prime minister – they are the person in charge of making decisions that affect everyone in America. On Tuesday 5th November, people, who are 18 years or older can vote for the person they think should be president. There will be candidates from different

political parties, including Kamala Harris of the Democratic Party and Donald Trump of the Republican Party. Each candidate will share their ideas and plans for the country, and people will choose the one they agree with the most.



**Pictured:** A ballot box.  
**Source:** Canva.

## Should your age ever stop you from doing something?



*No, you should try your best to do what you want whatever your age!*

**Harrison**

# UK's Oldest Skydiver!

Thrill-seeking war veteran, Manette Baillie, from Suffolk, has celebrated her 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday by completing her first ever skydive! Earning the title of Britain's oldest skydiver, Manette jumped out of a plane at 7,000ft above Beccles Airfield in East Anglia, to mark her special birthday and raise awareness and money for three charities: East Anglian Air Ambulance, Motor Neurone Disease Association and Benhall Village Hall. So far, she has raised over £20,000 of her £30,000 target.



**Pictured:** Manette Baillie during her record-breaking skydive. **Source:** East Anglian Air Ambulance Charity on Facebook.

'I jumped out of a plane over Beccles in Suffolk and became the oldest UK skydiver at 102 years of age. Why did I do this? Well, it wasn't just for fun (and it was thrilling!) but I wanted to raise money for three charities which are very dear to my heart', said Manette on her JustGiving page. 'I play an active part in the community and people often ask me what is the secret of old age. Of course, it is luck, but I would say keep both physically and mentally active and socialise!'

**Do you think you would enjoy skydiving?**  
**Can you think of any exciting ways to raise money for charity?**



**Pictured:** Manette being presented with a framed letter from Prince William by East Anglian Air Ambulance and certificate from UK Parachuting. **Source:** East Anglian Air Ambulance Charity on Facebook.

# Breaking News!



**Pictured:** Before and after photographs of the jar in the entrance to the Hecht Museum, taken by museum staff. **Source:** The Budget Savvy Travellers/Hecht Museum on Facebook.

At the Hecht Museum in Haifa, Israel, a young visitor accidentally shattered a 3,500-year-old jar. The 4-year-old boy pulled on the jar, that was on display in the museum's entrance, to take a closer look and see what was inside. Unfortunately, the rare Bronze Age jar fell to the floor and smashed! The family found a security guard and let them know what had happened. They were shocked when the museum responded in an unexpected way, promising to fix the ancient pot and offering the child and their family a

return visit with a tour! They also stated that they will continue to make their exhibits as open to the public as possible, because they think it offers the best environment for learning. Museum director, Dr Inbal Rivlin, said, 'The museum believes that there is a special charm in experiencing an archaeological find without any obstructions. And despite the rare incident with the jar, the Hecht Museum will continue this tradition.' **How would you feel if you accidentally broke something?**

## Should your age ever stop you from doing something?



*There are some things that you can't do because you are too young. But don't let your age hold you back from trying new things!*

**Elsie**

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