

150 trees for 150 years



Phil Hufton, LU's chief operating officer and Martyn Foster (right), RSPB London manager joined green-fingered pupils to launch 150 Homes for Nature

SCHOOL children from Oaks Park High school in east London have created a 'home for nature' with London Underground (LU) and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB).

This project is part of a series of celebrations to mark its 150th year, and will see 150 'Homes for Nature' created across the Tube network.

The children's wildlife area consists of 150 trees, shrubs and wild flowers, bordering the railway embankment near Newbury Park Tube station on the Central line. It will attract birds, small woodland animals and insects, as well as replace trees lost following the severe storm damage last month.

RSPB London manager Martyn Foster said: 'We take it for granted that we can move around the capital. Wildlife needs to do the same to find food and shelter. This great LU and RSPB partnership allows us to share our skills, knowledge and resources to create a healthier, natural environment. Londoners living alongside rail lines can easily copy this idea.'

District line services: December 27-30

To clarify, between December 27 and 30 there will be no District line service between Edgware Road and Wimbledon, and between South Kensington and Ealing Broadway/Kensington (Olympia)/Richmond/Wimbledon. The Piccadilly line will call additionally at all District line stations between Hammersmith and Acton Town with some trains diverted to operate to/from Ealing Broadway. Replacement buses will also run.

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Transport at a glance

Finsbury Park update

FROM December 27 until January 1, the Wells Terrace and Seven Sisters Road entrances to Finsbury Park station will be closed.

All London Underground and First Capital Connect trains will operate as scheduled but access to trains will be via the National Rail and Tube entrances at Station Place only.

During this time, maintenance work will be carried out on the passageways, while cable management systems and drainage will be improved.

On January 1, the Wells Terrace entrance will re-open after 11am.

Owing to an Arsenal match, the Seven Sisters Road entrance will remain closed until January 2 when the entire station will be open as usual.



Chancery Lane closure

AS part of improvement work, Chancery Lane Tube station will be closed between December 27 and 30.

During this time the walls, floors and tiling will be deep cleaned, with woodwork painted and new tiling where necessary. Electrical rewiring will be carried out, with a new cable management system installed to support new lighting and an updated PA system.

Customers are advised to use

Holborn station which is approximately a ten-minute walk along High Holborn or a short bus ride:

Buses from Chancery Lane:

- Westbound towards Holborn and Tottenham Court Road stations from Stop F on High Holborn
- Eastbound towards St. Paul's and Bank stations from Stop E on High Holborn

Last chance to see...

LONDON Transport Museum's blockbuster exhibition 'Poster Art 150 – London Underground's Greatest Designs', closes on Sunday, January 5. Supported by Siemens, it showcases 150 of the greatest Tube posters produced and features works by many famous artists including Edward McKnight Kauffer and Paul Nash, and designs from every decade over the past 100 years.

It is also the last chance to have your say on the all-time greatest design by voting in the gallery or online (www.ltmuseum.co.uk/whats-on) in The Siemens Poster Vote. The most popular poster will be revealed at the end of the exhibition.

Admission is £15 (£11.50 for adult concessions) and includes entry to all the museum galleries for a year. Children and young people aged 17 and under go free.



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