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**February half-term family fun
Hidden Transport Heroines
London Transport Museum
16-24 February 2019**



Families visiting London Transport Museum over February half-term can learn about the amazing women who keep London moving, with a week of fun activities inspired by the hidden heroines of London's transport network - past and present – who deserve to be celebrated.

From 16-24 February daily, children can join lively *Storytime* sessions and get creative in a *Make and Take* craft activity.

Storytime session, all ages welcome

Sessions take place at 11:00 and 14:00 daily and last approximately 20 minutes

All ages welcome. Most suitable for children aged 0-7

Many different people working in public transport have kept London moving over the past 200 years, but who are they? In this interactive Storytime session little ones will learn new names and hear about the achievements of London transport's female superstars!

Make and Take activity

Drop in from 11:30-12:45 and 14:30-15:45 daily

Suitable for families with children aged 3-12

Young visitors can get creative designing a poster to take home that celebrates the amazing women who have helped shaped London's famous transport system.

SEN Early Explorer Morning, Saturday 23 February

08:30 to 10:00, Advanced booking required due to limited places. Visitors should call 020 7565 7298 to book.

For families with Special Educational Needs. Enjoy the Museum at a quieter time, free from the general public and take part in one of the interactive workshops and demonstrations. Many of the gallery sounds are switched off, making the Museum a peaceful place to be. Children can explore the All Aboard family galleries, join in bespoke holiday activities, get hands on with genuine parts of transport history and explore the collection with the help of Sensory Bags.

During a visit to London Transport Museum families can also:

- Visit the brand-new **Future Engineers** gallery and get hands-on with interactive exhibits. Try out a palm scanner – the latest in ticketing technology, 'drive' a modern Elizabeth line train, and see your face on the cover of The Engineer magazine.
- See a life-size recreation of the tunnelling shield that helped create the world's first electric Tube railway in the **Digging Deeper** gallery and learn about the history of tunnelling, from the feats of Victorian engineering pioneer James Greathead, to modern day Crossrail.
- Explore the **All Aboard family play zone** where young visitors can play conductor on a real bus, repair a mini Tube train with toy spanners, and work in the 'Lost Property Office'
- Play on real buses and trains.

All February half term activities take place at London Transport Museum, Covent Garden Piazza. Kids go free.

Prices for adults start from £16.00 online. Save money by booking online in advance at www.ltmuseum.co.uk. Tickets allow unlimited daytime admission to the Museum galleries and temporary exhibitions for a whole year from the date of purchase.

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About London Transport Museum

- London Transport Museum is situated in the heart of Covent Garden and filled with stunning exhibits; the Museum explores the powerful link between transport and the growth of modern London, culture and society since 1800. Historic vehicles, world-famous posters and the very best objects from the Museum's extraordinary collection are brought together to tell the story of London's development and the part transport played in defining the unique identity of the city.
- London Transport Museum is an educational and heritage preservation charity. Its purpose is to conserve and explain the history of London's transport, to offer people an understanding of the Capital's past development and to engage them in the debate about its future. The Museum's charity number is 1123122.
- London Transport Museum is supported by public funding from Arts Council England
- London Transport Museum opening hours:
 - Daily 10.00 to 18.00 (last admission 17.15)
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 - Talks & events bookings: +44 (0)20 7565 7298
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