

# Dear Resident,

Daffodils are popping up on the commons, we're slowly de-layering and the days are getting longer. With Mother's Day on 6 March, the first official day of spring on 20 and Easter Sunday on the 27, there's plenty cause for celebration.

Here at *The Journal*, we certainly have a spring in our step.

With this in mind, if you're searching for a new look for your home, Emily Adams has the answer. Take a leaf out of her book with ideas about how you can bring the outside in with furniture, artwork and candles to name but a few. Flick to page 11 to find out more. Meanwhile local interior designer and project manager Clara Bee details its most recent work on page 12.

Finally, we have the latest art news on page 14, followed by a spotlight on The Art Movement on page 15, and don't forget our education, food and drink and parents and kids sections too. Enjoy!



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### TOUCHING TRIBUTE

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Battersea boutique gallery, The Art Movement, will be paying tribute to the life of iconic singer-songwriter David Bowie by inviting 12 of its favourite artists to create work that reflects the performer. Artists will use a range of media including drawings, paintings and photographs with each one including their own words about Bowie. Together, all 12 will be hung at The Art Movement's stand at the Affordable Art Fair this month.

*The Art Movement's stand is at F10 at the Affordable Art Fair. The Art Movement gallery, 61 Queenstown Road SW8 3BG, 07973 692 494 [art-movement.com](http://art-movement.com)*

### TICKLING THE IVORIES

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Battersea Piano Festival is back for another year after the success of its 2015 event. It's organised by Encore Music Tuition, which has created categories for all participants, regardless of age or ability and this year's festival will be held at Bolingbroke Academy. The event celebrates the local talent of more than 100 amateur pianists, giving each of them the chance to perform on a grand piano in front of a panel of esteemed judges, as well as listen to the music of fellow players. *£3 for adults, free for children and performers, tickets are available on the door, 9am-8pm, Bolingbroke Academy, Wakehurst Road, SW11 6BF, [batterseapianofestival.co.uk](http://batterseapianofestival.co.uk)*

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# EVENTS



### WHAT'S COOKING?

6 MAR -  
16 APR

The London Cooking Project in Battersea holds regular workshops for budding chefs to get their hands dirty while teaching them about healthy eating, hygiene and kitchen safety. The next Mini Cooking Club course starts this month and runs for six weeks for children aged seven to 11. With all the food and equipment provided, children can concentrate on learning from trained cooking assistants and will whip up two healthy dishes every session – that's dinner sorted then! *Free, every Saturday between 6 March and 16 April, 11am to 1pm, London Cooking Project, 1 Ethelburga Street, SW11 4AG, [theminicookingclub.org.uk/](http://theminicookingclub.org.uk/) [londoncookingproject.com](http://londoncookingproject.com)*