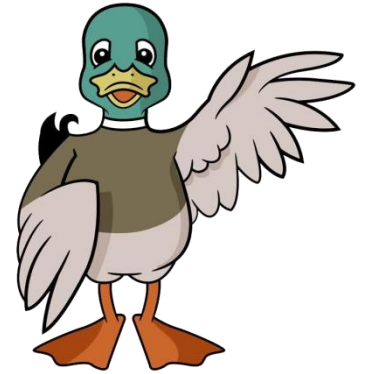




**HEADSTONE  
MANOR &  
MUSEUM**

*A final newsletter message to our  
visitors and friends from....*

*Bill the Duck!*



Hello! 🖐️

I'm back again to give you an update for what we've been posting from August 3 to August 9, 2020. I'm sad to say that this is my last newsletter, but for a very happy reason... WE ARE OPEN AGAIN!

The Museum officially reopened on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The Museum people have been very careful to make sure you can enjoy it whilst staying safe – so do come by and say hello!

We posted some good videos this week! Storyteller Peter Chand brought two lovely stories to life for us, and you can learn how to make your own VE or VJ Day party hat. All these videos premiered on August 8.

I hope you've had fun keeping up with the Museum's social media with me! Enjoy!!

# Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020

## Post #1

The second week of our online family WW2 Challenge is now up on our website! Find out why gardening was so important during WW2 and answer the questions in your logbook. 🌱 🥬

Download and print your logbook from the Online Learning page on our website

<https://headstonemanor.org/learning/online-learning/>



Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020

Post #2

We are sad to confirm that this years Headstone Village Show will not be going ahead as planed. However, we are delighted to announce an online Headstone Village show event WILL take place across our digital platforms from 27th Aug - 1st Sep. The same entertainment and family fun but from the safety of home. Watch this space for further details!



Find our more about this event here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/594417874551155/>

Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 2020

Post #1

### LAST CHANCE

You must sign up online before 3pm today to attend this fantastic FREE event! You can secure your space here:

<https://forms.gle/95shmejYmcJPGBsw9>

Suitable for ages 14+



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Tales for a Summer Evening with Peter Chand



Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 2020  
Post #2

Get into the street party spirit by making your own party hat out of materials found in your home!



VE Day celebration hat tutorial with Lucy

Watch the video in the post for August 8<sup>th</sup>!

# Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 2020

## Post #3

Join Lucy online at 3pm on Saturday to make a VE or VJ Day Street Party Hat!

### YOU WILL NEED:

Scissors, stapler, glue stick, sticky tape, ruler, pencil, hole punch.

A strip of thick paper or card, cereal box would work approx 60 x 15cm to fit around your head like a crown.

3 x A4 sheets different coloured paper (we used red, white and blue)

3 x barbecue skewers, or paper straws or lollipop sticks.

Approx 1m string, or wool, or thin ribbon.

A5 printout of the VE or VJ Day 75 logo

Have a look at our VE Day webpage to get in the celebration spirit! <https://headstonemanor.org/ve-day/>



Watch the video in the post for August 8<sup>th</sup>!

Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 2020

Post #1

📢 WE ARE OPEN 📢

Come down and enjoy your local museum. Now open Thurs-Sat, 11am-3pm! Please remember:

- > You must wear a mask when visiting
- > There are no toilets available during your visit

Find out more about what you can expect from your visit here:



Find out more about reopening here:

<https://headstonemanor.org/what-to-expect-when-we-re-open/>

Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 2020

Post #2 (page 1 of 4)

We'd like to share some more photos with you from our project, 'On Our Doorsteps - Harrow in Lockdown'. Over a period of two weeks, we worked with local photographer Jenny's Tiny Shoots, to capture life in Harrow during this strange time.

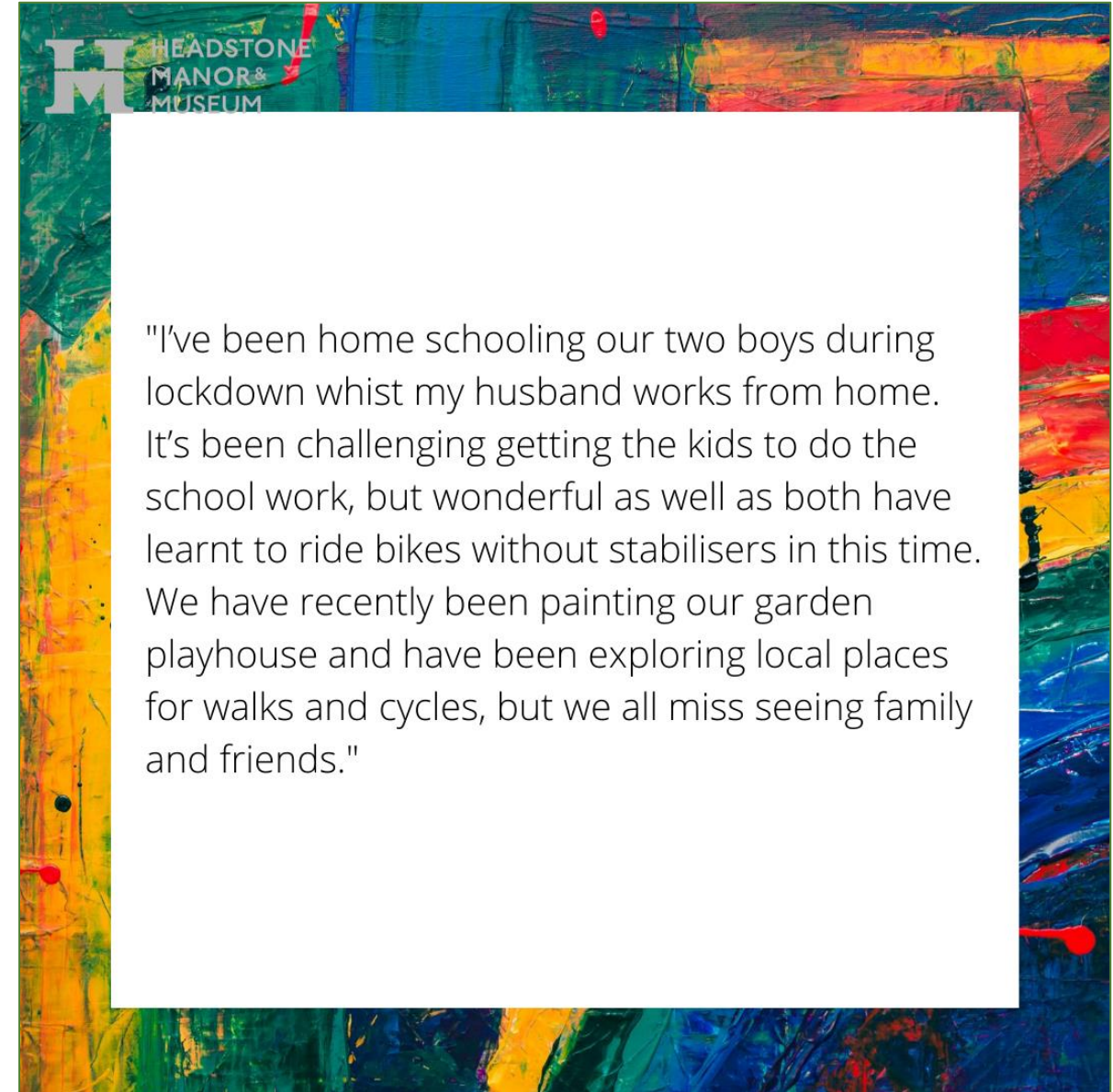
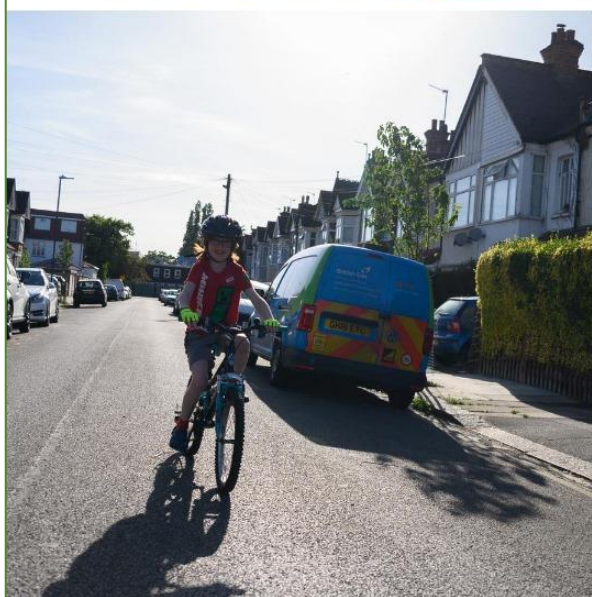
Over the two weeks, 25 households from across the borough were photographed on the doorsteps of their houses. Each participant was asked to hold an object that has meant something to them during lockdown - a great variety of objects (and pets!) were captured!

We will be sharing the stories and photos over the coming weeks, so keep a look out for more!

[#OnOurDoorsteps](#) [#HeadstoneAtHome](#) [#MuseumFromHome](#)

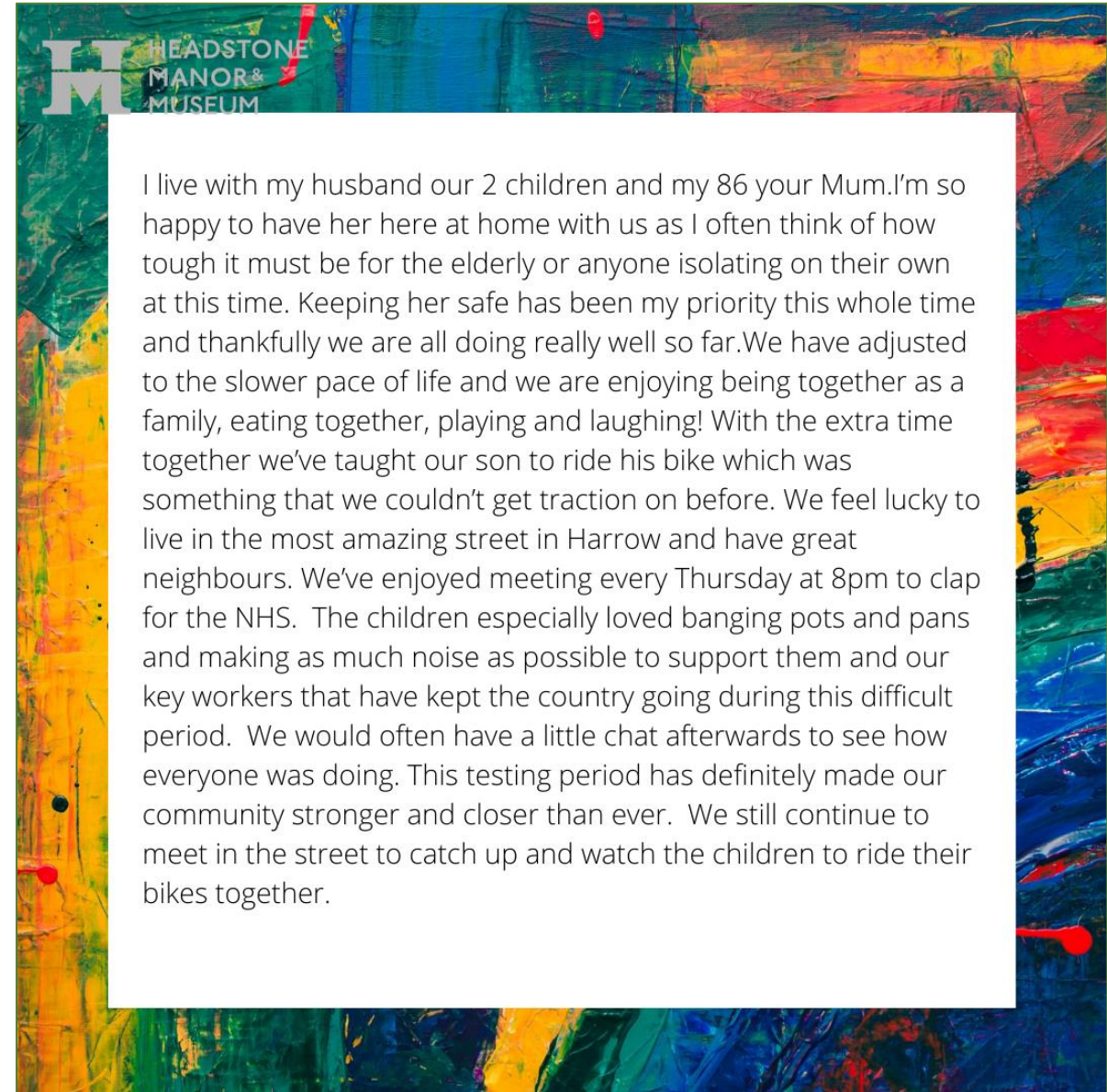
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"I've been home schooling our two boys during lockdown whilst my husband works from home. It's been challenging getting the kids to do the school work, but wonderful as well as both have learnt to ride bikes without stabilisers in this time. We have recently been painting our garden playhouse and have been exploring local places for walks and cycles, but we all miss seeing family and friends."





I live with my husband our 2 children and my 86 year Mum. I'm so happy to have her here at home with us as I often think of how tough it must be for the elderly or anyone isolating on their own at this time. Keeping her safe has been my priority this whole time and thankfully we are all doing really well so far. We have adjusted to the slower pace of life and we are enjoying being together as a family, eating together, playing and laughing! With the extra time together we've taught our son to ride his bike which was something that we couldn't get traction on before. We feel lucky to live in the most amazing street in Harrow and have great neighbours. We've enjoyed meeting every Thursday at 8pm to clap for the NHS. The children especially loved banging pots and pans and making as much noise as possible to support them and our key workers that have kept the country going during this difficult period. We would often have a little chat afterwards to see how everyone was doing. This testing period has definitely made our community stronger and closer than ever. We still continue to meet in the street to catch up and watch the children to ride their bikes together.





"Covid-19 has changed things a lot in our household. No work for me, my husband is working from home in our new temporary office (the box room!) and both of the girls are adjusting to home schooling with mummy!! It was tough at first but we've slowly got used to this new way of living, and we just hope things can go back to normal soon! We've done so much during lockdown; puzzles, games, watched many films, done lots of arts and crafts and now the sun is shining, lot of time outside in the garden. The girls make up games over the fence with their friend next door!"

Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> 2020

Post #1

The first of two beautiful stories that have flown all the way from India to Headstone Manor for our Midsummer storytelling. Peter Chand is well-known to our visitors, and he has picked two stories especially for our visitors and tells them here for the first time.



Watch the video here:

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadstoneManor/videos/3119396941513358/>



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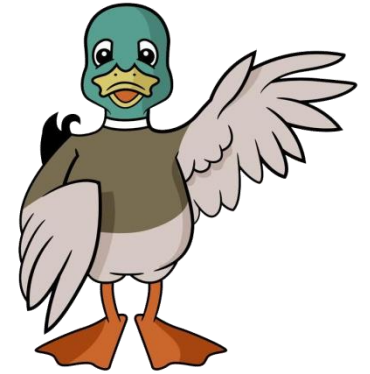
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That's all for this newsletter folks! 🙌 Thanks for coming on this journey with me during lockdown!

If you have social media, you can keep following us on Facebook (Headstone Manor & Museum), Twitter (HeadstoneManor1), Pinterest (HeadstoneMMuseum), and Instagram (headstone\_manor\_museum)!

Keep an eye on our Online Learning page for new activities: <https://headstonemanor.org/learning/online-learning/>  
And please get in touch with us if you have material for our Covid-19 in Harrow callout.

If you come by the Museum, give me a wave! I'll be in the Moat 😊

Love,

Bill the Duck

P.S. Message from my human colleagues – we can't wait to see you again, come visit us soon!