

Welcome to Greenwich!

You will probably recognize many sights from your Blue Line, Red Line, Orange Line or Green Line English books. So that you can get to know Greenwich even better, here is a list of places to visit during your trip. You might already know some of these places from your books, but others will be new. Have fun exploring!

Thomas Tallis School can be found on Kidbrooke Park Road in Greenwich, and is only 10 minutes' walk from Kidbrooke train station. Your class is welcome to visit, but only with an appointment. Contact Diana Weber, Executive Assistant to the Head (dweber@thomastallis.org.uk), to organize a date and time! And did you know? Thomas Tallis was an English composer who lived in Greenwich almost 500 years ago!

Greenwich Market is a famous old market that is full of interesting shops and stalls. It is open every day, and you can find clothes, art, crafts, and jewellery there, as well as food and drinks from all over the world. For example, you can eat French, Cuban, Thai and Ethiopian foods. Greenwich market is two minutes' walk from Cutty Sark for Maritime Greenwich station.

The Cutty Sark is a very old and famous ship that sailed to Australia and back from London between 1883 and 1895. It carried tea, and it was the fastest ship in the world at the time. Now it is a museum in Greenwich and you can visit seven days a week between 10:00 and 17:00. You can go on board and see where the sailors lived and worked! The Cutty Sark has its own station, called Cutty Sark for Maritime Greenwich, and is also just ten minutes away from Greenwich train station.

Two minutes' walk from the Cutty Sark is the **Old Royal Naval College**, where you can explore 600 years of Greenwich's history, including facts about the Royal Navy and the Tudors. The buildings and gardens are said to be the finest in the U.K., and you can visit seven days a week between 10:00 and 17:00. In summer, there is a music festival in the gardens here.

The National Maritime Museum, on the edge of Greenwich Park, is one of the biggest museums of its kind – and it's free to visit! Come here to learn about life on the sea and how people managed to sail around the world, through maps, telescopes, models of ships and many other things. It's open every day between 10:00 and 17:00. You can find it just 5 minutes away from the Cutty Sark.

Greenwich Park is one of London's big parks, and is only 10 minutes away from the Cutty Sark and Greenwich town centre. These green spaces are very important in the city, and there is a lot to do here. Visit the lake and the deer park, or watch a play or a concert in the summer. The Royal Greenwich Observatory and the Planetarium can also be found in the park!

The Royal Greenwich Observatory is an important building, where lots of work has been done on astrology and navigation since 1675. Come here to learn about the history of time and how people managed to sail around the world. It is also the location of the Prime Meridian line, which is where east and west meet. Have you heard of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)? Well, it's measured here at the Royal Observatory, which is open every day between 10:00 and 17:00.

The Royal Observatory is also home to London's only **Planetarium**, where you can learn all about the sun, moon, stars and planets. Watch a show about what to see in the sky tonight or find out about the secrets of the stars. Make sure you book tickets, as it's very popular!

The O2 Arena is one of the biggest stadiums in the world, and many famous popstars have performed here. It's also used for big sports events, like tennis, gymnastics and basketball, and was used during the London 2012 Olympic Games. The O2 Arena is a 5-minute walk from North Greenwich tube station, which is on the Jubilee line.