

IN FOCUS MANOR PARK

November 2011

FREE CHRISTMAS TEA DANCE FOR YOUNG AND OLD

Enjoy a wonderful afternoon of performances, live music and afternoon tea at Little Ilford School's annual tea dance, which takes place on Thursday 8 December.

The tea dance was started in 2002 to welcome the community to the school and break down barriers that can exist between the young and old. This year the event is planned to be the best yet, thanks to support by the council's Let's Get the Party Started campaign, which encourages the community to organise their own events in the lead up to the London 2012 Games. The tea dance is the first of these celebrations and is supported by an Inspiring People grant.

Pupils from the school have taken the lead in organising the tea dance. Year nine students will decorate the hall and welcome guests as they arrive. Students from the music department will be performing at the tea dance and the school choir will sing a selection of Christmas carols.

Guests can also enjoy a range of dancing styles, from traditional to contemporary.

Councillor Kay Scoresby, said: "Little Ilford School's tea dances are really successful. Often older people



Little Ilford pupil with a local resident at the school's tea dance

can be intimidated by groups of young people, while young people can dismiss the older generation as dull and past it. This type of project is the ideal way to help them understand each other more clearly, in a really fun way."

Little Ilford Christmas Tea Dance

Thursday 8 December,
2.30-4.30pm
Little Ilford School
Browning Road, E12
Reserve your free place by calling
020 8928 3516.

CONTACT US

If your group has an activity to promote please contact us on: 020 3373 2684 or email infocus@newham.gov.uk



Enjoy a green Christmas



Did you know that we produce 30 per cent more waste over the Christmas holidays? You can reduce your rubbish by recycling all you can, using your orange bin or bag or by taking items to bring banks across the borough.

Wrapping paper, cardboard, Christmas cards, plastic bottles, magazines, cans and tins can all be recycled using your household service. You should take your empty glass bottles and jars to a recycling bank near you.

If you want to celebrate in style with some new furniture call the council who will collect up to six bulky items for free. Book a collection by visiting www.newham.gov.uk or calling 020 8430 2000. Once you've had your fill of Christmas cheer we'll also collect and recycle your real tree for free.

Revised refuse and recycling collections operate over Christmas and the new year; see the next issue of the Newham Mag for details or check online between Christmas and New Year by visiting www.newham.gov.uk

COME AND HAVE A CHAT



The Sibley Grove Bridge as it is today

Ward councillors in conjunction with the Trinity Centre and Conflict and Change, a mediation group, will be running a community conversation event for local people on Saturday 10 December.

Between 2pm- 4pm, the Trinity Centre, in East Avenue, is inviting residents of all ages to share their views and experiences of using the bridge across the railway lines from Sibley Grove to Southend Road, and how it has changed over the years. All feedback will be used to create a plan to ensure people feel safe and keep using the bridge for years to come.

A number of projects to improve the Sibley Grove Bridge have already taken place including community clean ups, the installation of CCTV cameras and safety mirrors. Most recently, an arts project to brighten up the bridge has been launched with East Ham north councillors and pupils from Kensington Primary School, working with local artist Debbie Scott. Art work will also be displayed at the Trinity Centre. To get involved with the Sibley Grove Project call Glennette Bowles-Dove on 020 3373 8382.

ARE YOU READY TO GET THE PARTY STARTED?

With the 2012 Olympic Games next year, we want to show the world that our borough is the place to party.

We will be organising an exciting programme of events and we want our community to get involved and help shape the activities.

Manor Park councillors and ACT volunteers will be holding an event at Jampot, a local training and skills provider based in Manor Park Methodist Church, on Tuesday 6 December. They will talk to residents and community groups about the types of events that they can hold,

as well as support the council can provide such as the Inspiring People Grant of up to £250.

Councillor Kay Scoresby said: "We really want local people to get involved and feel part of the Games next year and this is a great way to do that and bring our community together."

Lets Get The Party Started event will take place Tuesday 6 November between 6.30pm -8.30pm. Jampot is based on 1st Floor Manor Park Methodist Church on the corner of Romford Road and Herbert Road, E12 6AY.

DON'T LET A TABOO BE THE DEATH OF YOU

Too many men delay seeking medical treatment because they are unaware of the symptoms of prostate, bowel and testicular cancer and are too embarrassed to talk about these issues. This means they are not offered treatment in the early stages of cancer when it would be more effective.

To raise awareness of the symptoms of these types of cancers and inform men of the steps they can take to improve their health, local councillors Salim Patel, Khalil Kazi, Andrew Baikie, Jose Alexander and Paul Sathianesan will be organising a series of cancer awareness workshops in December.

The workshops will take place at the Jack Cornwall Centre at 2.30pm-4pm on 2 December, Trinity



Centre at 2pm on 9 December and the Plashet Road Mosque at 2pm on 16 December.

Councillor Salim Patel, said: "We want to build a culture where embarrassment does not prevent men from addressing problems with their bodies and these events

aim to ensure that we reduce the risk of our male residents dying from any form of cancer."

For more information and to register to attend one of the sessions please contact Glennette Bowles-Dove on 020 3373 8382.



THE ART OF EMBROIDERY, ITS MORE THAN JUST SEWING

You can improve your technical ability and learn traditional embroidery techniques which can be put to novel and creative uses at the East London Textile Arts embroidery classes.

The classes held at the Hathaway Community Centre are funded by the Skills Funding Agency and run by a local resident with years of experience. The classes will give you the chance to not only meet new people but help create a piece of history.

All levels of experience are welcome and the class will

be working on an embroidered hanging with each section using different techniques. The hanging will be based around the theme of London in 2012, whether it's the Queen's Jubilee, the Olympic Torch or the Olympic and Paralympic Games being held in the borough next year.

The finished embroidered piece will hang in and around the Hathaway Community Centre.

The classes take place every Friday from 1pm-3pm. For more info contact the Hathaway Centre on 020 8548 4890.

Spotlight on... Inspiring People

The biggest party Newham has ever seen is just around the corner and you could make it even more special for someone you know. Is there anyone you'd like to give an Olympic-sized pat on the back? Now is your chance to give them the prize of a lifetime: we're searching for Newham's most Inspiring People. Nominate your choice and they could win tickets to some of the most sought-after events in the 2012 Games.

Hosting the Games means more to Newham than a summer of sport. It's an opportunity to showcase everything that makes our borough great. Inspiring People is about just that. There are people working within our communities who show ambition, talent and dedication, but who go unrecognised. We want to hear about them.

The winners could land tickets to the opening or closing ceremonies, diving finals, cycling finals, athletics finals, fencing, boxing, basketball finals, judo, taekwondo or weightlifting.

You can nominate under six categories: creativity, getting involved in community events, volunteering, achieving potential, employment and training and sport.



To nominate, download a form from www.newham.gov.uk/2012games/inspiringpeople, or write to us requesting a form at the address below. Send your entry with the name and address of the nominee – they must have lived in the borough for more than a year – include your name, address and contact number.

Email your nomination form to inspiringpeople@newham.gov.uk or send to Inspiring People Reward nominations, Newham Council, Fourth Floor, West Wing, 1000 Dockside Road, London E16 2QU.

For more information on Inspiring People, go to www.newham.gov.uk/2012games/inspiringpeople

WHAT'S ON MANOR PARK

Pink Day at Plashet School

Plashet School,
Plashet Grove, E6
Wednesday 9 November
4-6pm

Women are invited to learn more about breast cancer. The programme includes a play about cancer written by Plashet students, breast cancer awareness presentation, advice from health professionals and refreshments.

For even more things to do check out the What's On in Newham calendar, where you'll find listings for more than 6,000 events visit www.newham.com

If your group has an activity to promote please contact us on: 020 3373 2684 or email: infocus@newham.gov.uk

MEET YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Councillors out and about: If you would like a councillor to visit your community organisation, school, place of worship, meeting or event please call 020 3373 8382 or email glennette.bowles-dove@newham.gov.uk
To email your local councillor write firstname.lastname@newham.gov.uk e.g. jose.alexander@newham.gov.uk



Jose Alexander



Firoza Nekiwala



Paul Sathianesan



Kay Scoresby



Amarjit Singh



Salim Patel



Andrew Baikie



Farah Nazeer



Khalil Kazi

East Ham North Ward

Every Saturday (alternating)
10.30 - 11.30am
Kensington School,
Kensington Avenue,
Manor Park, E12

Manor Park Ward

Every Saturday (alternating)
10 - 11.30am
Manor Park Local Service Centre,
685-689 Romford Road,
Manor Park, E12

Little Ilford Ward

Every Saturday (alternating)
10 - 11am
Jack Cornwell Community Centre,
Jack Cornwell Street,
Manor Park, E12

Need to talk to Mayor Sir Robin Wales? Being an elected mayor, Sir Robin is directly accountable to you. Look out for Question Time times and dates in the Newham Mag, visit www.newham.gov.uk/mayor or call 020 3373 0437.