

Newsletter

Another Busy term!

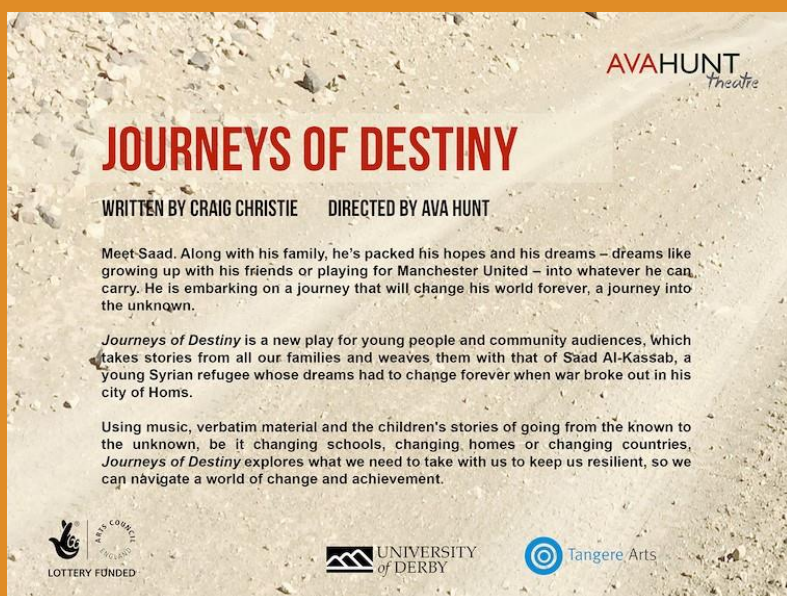
We ran tours and activities for **70** schools and organisations at the Open Centre and also visited a further **34** schools and organisations to run workshops and training.

Pre-Visit Tours

Schools and organisations are very welcome to make pre-visit tours to investigate exactly what we do, however, please book these in advance. We are a small team and are not always in the office so if you drop by on the off chance there is a strong chance we will not be able to accommodate you.

Recent World Events

Religious communities around the world have been rocked by horrific acts of terrorism in recent months. The Open Centre exists to encourage community cohesion and to counter the forces that would divide humanity. We stand in solidarity with the effected communities and reaffirm our commitment to promoting understanding through personal experience. Schools are often asked by worried parents about security at our venues. We handle data very sensitively in accordance with GDPR regulations and our venues take security very seriously. If your parents are concerned about security please do contact us and we will be happy to advise you.



Ava Hunt Theatre are touring Derbyshire schools between 17th June and 5th July with their innovative 'Journeys of Destiny' workshops and performance. Their one-day performance programme is being offered to schools for a subsidised rate of £200. Please contact avahunttheatre2016@gmail.com



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Places of Worship Hosting Times

Please be aware that our places of worship do not host visits every day. They are open to our visits:

Hindu Temple - Mon, Thurs and Fri (We avoid Tues due to a regular function but can sometimes fit in a small group after 11:15am)

Mosque - Mon -Thurs before lunchtime prayers.
Closed to visits during last two weeks of Ramadan

Guru Arjan Dev Gurdwara - Mon-Thurs

Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara - Mon-Fri

Pear Tree Baptist Church - Mon-Fri

Nottingham Liberal Synagogue - Tues and Thurs
apart from Jewish festivals.

Please note these times refer to Open Centre visits only.

The venues have their own opening times for worship or visits from individual members of the public. Please contact each venue separately for their opening hours.

If your chosen venue is shut to schools when you want to visit, we have a number of workshops we can offer in school to cover similar content. Please ask the office for details.



We are a member of the
federation of RE centres

Coming up New Workshops!

- Vaisakhi
- Cultural and religious Dress

Is there a topic not covered by our existing workshops? We are happy to tailor workshops to your requirements. Workshops are planned by our Primary and Secondary specialist teachers.

Teacher Training

We offer a variety of training options:

- Termly sessions through the Derby Schools teaching Alliance
- Bespoke sessions for teachers, TAs, support staff and Governors
- Subject knowledge extension sessions



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