

Newsletter

SPRING IS IN THE AIR!

The Spring term was another busy term at the Open Centre. We welcomed 2789 visitors to the Centre and ran 75 workshops at schools. Our CPD programme has continued:

PGCE students from Derby University and Lecturers from Derby college received diversity training

We hosted a meeting of the Arts Mark Art network looking at art in a variety of cultures and ran our termly RE Network session.

MEET OUR NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Anjuna Ali

"I'm studying at Derby University. I like to read, one of the most inspiring books I've read is 'A Thousand Splendid Suns'. Religious Education was my favourite subject at school and I think it is important to be aware of the diverse culture and communities around us."

Jasvir Kaur

"I am a Sikh, born into a Punjabi household in Huddersfield, West Yorkshire. When I got married, I moved to Derby and have now lived here for 25 years. I love sharing Sikhi with children, it's a very beautiful way of life, to enhance their colourful and continuous education."

Ya'el Sacker

"I am in year 12 at Derby High School and volunteering at the Open Centre as part of my D of E Gold. I am a member of the Jewish community and a Youth Worker with Liberal Judaism. I will be helping with Jewish workshops and in the office"

PRE-VISIT COFFEE MORNINGS

As part of our outreach to schools, we have been visiting schools



ahead of visits to meet parents and answer their questions.

At one school in Sutton in Ashfield, our staff shared samosas and Indian snacks whilst making Origami boats as part of our fun and interactive session with parents and children

VISIT MY MOSOUE DAY

The Muslim Council of Britain organises an annual 'Visit My Mosque' Day across country. This year Derby Jamia Mosque took part and had a very successful day which was featured on a primetime slot of the BBC's East Midlands Today. If you saw the bulletin you would have seen Sam, our manager, who took an interested parent along.





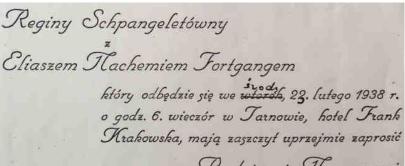


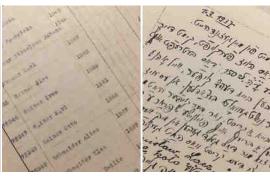




NEW WORKSHOPS

Our newest workshop looks at the Shoah (Holocaust) through family and community accounts. Suitable for Secondary schools including History students.







WELCOMING A BABY

A look at baby welcoming traditions for those of faith and none. Choose which traditions you would like to focus on.

MUSLIM PRAYER

Looking at how Muslims pray, Wudu, Tasbih beads and Prayer mats.

Thursday 21st June

An exciting opportunity to take part in a faith walk, as part of Refugee Week 2018, to the Hindu Temple, Mosque, Baptist Church and Sikh Gurdwara.

MULTI-FAITH TOUR FOR REFUGEE WEEK

The walk is designed to help visitors to understand the beliefs of others from many of the different communities represented in Derby.

The tour will start promptly at 10am. Arrive at the Open Centre from 9:30am onwards.

Please visit www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/multi-faith-tour-for-refugee-weektickets-43973761705 to book

Exploring Controversial Issues

and Developing **Critical thinking** Skills in the Classroom

Wednesday 13 June

Global Education Derby in collaboration with the Open Centre will be running two FREE discussing practical approaches, social Media, fake news and government strategies.

Please contact the office for details.

> The Summer term is our busiest term.

It is well worth booking months ahead if you wish to schedule visits in the Summer

DON'T FORGET THAT WE CAN WRITE SESSIONS BASED ON YOUR REQUIREMENTS! PHONE THE OFFICE FOR MORE INFO.

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