

Claremont and Weaste

Community

NEWSLETTER

Local School Celebrates Black History Month



Teachers in full African dress costumes

Black History Month was celebrated during the month of October 2009 at St Luke's Primary School in Weaste, with all staff, children and many parents taking part.

The aim was to create cultural awareness and community inclusion and each week people had the opportunity to experience a wide range of activities including:

story-telling/role models, textile and fabric tie & dye, drumming; hair braiding and a fashion parade; plus there were many items on display from Africa and the Caribbean to show their different lifestyles and cultures.

A food tasting session will also be held in January with food from the Caribbean, Ghana and Nigeria so, if you have never tasted anything like this, now is your chance.

The staff and the Friends of the school were really helpful in supporting the events, as were the local Council Neighbourhood Management Team and Blessing Okoh (one of the parents) who co-ordinated the whole thing. Children and parents also joined in everything, so a great time was had by all.

If you want to know more about the events or to get involved in similar activities, contact; Blessing Okoh, 07846 812 939 or email ngonat@hotmail.co.uk

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**Got something to say about Claremont / Weaste?
Want to get involved in your local community?**

Claremont / Weaste Community Committee meets regularly to discuss local issues and to meet partners who can help make our area a better place to live. We welcome local residents to our meetings and we are always keen for more people to come along and help us shape our area.

So if you have something to say about improving your neighbourhood or making services better for you, your family and friends, then come along to your local Community Committee. The next two dates are as follows:

- 9 February 2010
- 9 March 2010

Meetings are at 6:30pm and are usually held in All Hallows Business and Enterprise College on Weaste Lane. You can get more information on **789 4081**.

Supporting local groups

In summer the Community Committee's budget together with funding from Salford Community Leisure and Salford Primary Care Trust was used to support:

- Fun 4 All
- Salford Elim Kidz
- 82nd Salford Scouts

For more information on how to apply for funding contact the Neighbourhood Management Team (contact details can be found on the back page).

Parking Issues!

A highways issue which has caused problems for some time is that of coaches parking on Dronfield Road in the afternoon, waiting to pick up students from Pendleton college campus. The police were involved recently when matters became heated, and asked the Neighbourhood Management Team to look into it. Mick Walbank, Neighbourhood Manager, arranged a meeting with management at the college and officers from Traffic Management in Urban Vision.

Traffic Management are now drawing up a scheme to address the issues. Watch this space for future developments!!

Salford Sure Start Children's Centres

Do you have a child under five?

Then call in to Summerville Sure Start Children's Centre. We support you from pregnancy to primary school by offering:

- Registered childcare and early learning
- Parenting and family support
- Antenatal and postnatal health care
- Employment, training and job seeking advice
- Lots of fun activities and the chance to talk to other parents and make new friends.



We currently run a dads' group on Saturday mornings at Clarendon Fit City. Our activities include a baby weigh clinic, baby massage, stay and play, parents and carers group, Bookstart story rhyme time, young parents' group and a sensory room, which really helps children to develop.

Call in and see us at Summerville Sure Start Children's Centre, Summerville Road, Irlams o' th' Height, Salford, M6 7HB. Tel: 0161 921 2434.

Are you looking for childcare or activities for children and families in Claremont and Weaste?

Salford Family Information Service can tell you what childcare is available to meet your needs, and what's on in your area. We can also tell you about all the services for children and young people from 0-19 and their families such as: advice on parenting; choosing a career in childcare; what help is available to pay for childcare such as 15 hours free childcare a week for two, three and four year olds. We can also tell you what services are available for disabled children such as activities and short breaks. Call Salford Family Information Service on freephone **0800 195 5565** or e-mail **FIS@salford.gov.uk**.

Free home safety

Every year in the UK just under a million children aged under 15 have accidents in and around the home and are taken to hospital. To help protect children Salford Sure Start is offering free home safety equipment to families who live in the Claremont and Weaste area who are unemployed or on a low wage and in receipt of benefits and have children aged five and under. The packs include: safety gates; fire guards; window restrictors; locks for cupboards; corner cushions; and non slip bath mats. Call Salford Family Information Service on freephone **0800 195 5565** or e-mail **FIS@salford.gov.uk**.

Introducing Salford Play Team

Salford has four new play development officers, who will be supporting and developing play provision across the city.



They will be implementing Salford's play strategy, supporting the existing BIG play projects in Salford, and consulting children about play spaces as part of the playbuilder programme.

Between them, the new officers have over twenty-seven years experience working with children and young people. Matthew Barker and Michelle Hagan have both joined from voluntary organisations in Manchester, while Gareth Stacey has moved to Salford after five years with Flintshire County Council's Play Service. Stephanie Williams works with the team part-time, after spending six years working on play and sports projects across the city.

The new team are based at Salford Children's Services at Minerva House, and are managed by Play and Out of School Activities Coordinator, Barry Glasspell.

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Smyrna Home Improvements



Jenny Flahavan from Smyrna Street has had a new bathroom, kitchen, central heating and electrical re-wiring works. She talks here about her experience:

"I've lived here for four years and when I heard that we were getting these works done, I was really happy. I chose to stay in my house during the works, because I have two children and I didn't want to disrupt their routine. There was a lot of dust during the works but surprisingly the noise didn't really bother me much. Despite the disruption it has been well worth it!

"After six weeks of work my house looks like a new home. You don't just get new stuff you also get to choose a colour scheme. You expect some disruption during the works and sometimes it was hard, especially with two children, but it was well worth the wait.

Article by Great Places

Memorial Benches

Relatives of the late Dr Lance Burn and Alex Edwards B.E.M and the deputy mayor of Salford attended the dedication ceremony for their memorial benches, which community committee had installed in Buile Hill Park. An article in a future Clarendon / Waste newsletter will show how the memorial garden is developing around the benches.



Safer Homes Funding Update

Claremont/Weaste Homewatch Co-ordinators group has been awarded £50,000 to improve the security of homes in the area. The initiative is aimed at reducing doorstep crime by making it more difficult for intruders to gain access to homes. So far more than a 100 homes have had their security improved as a result of this funding obtained by the Claremont/Weaste Homewatch Co-ordinators group. The funding enables the following items to be fitted Free of Charge.

Door Chain

Solar Security Light

Intercom and Viewer

This can only be fitted to wooden doors.

Door Spy-hole

The forms relating to this initiative should have been delivered to all homes covered by a Homewatch scheme. It is most important that any residents who want to take advantage of this scheme fill in the form and request the appropriate items. The forms should then be returned to their local Homewatch Co-ordinator. If your Homewatch Co-ordinator does not have any forms then they can be obtained from the following people

PCSO Mark Stewardson - Tel 856 5084

The funding has to be used before the end of March 2010 so the requests are needed urgently, so that the fitting can be organised. The fitting will be undertaken by local companies who have all been checked and approved for such work. If there are any people who feel they are vulnerable and need improved security then they will also be eligible for this funding so extra forms can be requested from the people on the list above. This is your chance to act as a good neighbour and ensure that all members of the community benefit from this Home Office funding.

Article by Brian Downes (Chair of group)

Cafe Hope - A great opportunity in Salford

a community initiative supported
by churches working together

What will it look like

- A striking modern venue offering a warm and friendly place to meet, chat, or find help.
- An opportunity for volunteering and training.
- Top quality venue serving hot drinks and low cost nourishing light meals.
- An accepting place for agencies to work with young people after school.

How far have we come

- A constitution and business plan has been drawn-up and the formulation of the
- Charitable trust will be completed during October 09.

Who else is involved

- Greater Manchester Police, for contacting young people after school.
- Social Services for help with funding.
- City of Salford Community Services for help and guidance in initial procedures and future training.
- NHS in establishing healthy diets, menus, across the ages.

What now

Proposed location is "Hope parade", Eccles Old Road (near Salford Royal) where no current cafe exists and is on the edge of a large residential community.

Why are we making this known?

- To inform you of progress
- For your honest comments and feed back.

If you would like to be kept informed - please email:
cafehope@hotmail.com

Advisory Group

Mary CauserElim Church
John & Joy Platt..... Mount Chapel
Alan Hale Professional Caterer
Richard & Pat Haworth Elmwood
George & Pat Harrison..... Pendlebury Church
David Walton Monton Methodist
Kay Fairhurst.....Community Development Worker

Article by Pat Haworth

UK Older Peoples Day



On the 1st October local school children from Seedley Primary school celebrated UK Older Peoples Day with tenants from Peterloo Court. A class of Year six children

went across to Peterloo Court to spend some time with the tenants. I believe children from Seedley have been using 'Peterloo People' every year since it was published in their creative writing and history classes, so this year we thought it would be super to give the children the opportunity to meet some of the people they had been reading about.

Submitted by Denise Nelson

The Caribbean comes to Ranulph Court

The Thursday Club's second meeting at Ranulph Court's sheltered housing scheme had a Caribbean theme. Tenant of the scheme Rachael cooked Caribbean food with the help of Elaine another tenant, while garlands were made by Elsie for every one to wear. The music was kindly provided by pupils of the Swinton High school steel band who gave an excellent performance with the help of two teachers. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the event!!



Your Salix Your Say

Performers from Studio Dance Academy based in Weaste took centre stage on Saturday 14th November 2009 at Salix Homes' offices, Diamond House, to showcase talented tots to talented teens.

The dance troop performed for Salix Homes' first participatory budgeting event, "Your Salix Your Say". More than 70 people watched the Academy's 12 minute performance, which brought extra fizz and sparkle to the community funding event.

Over the course of the event, Salix Homes distributed £35,000 between 15 local community groups. Each attending group had to score the other 14 groups attending. They couldn't vote for their own group. The groups with the highest scores were funded. Thirteen groups were fully funded and the remaining two groups received a contribution.



If you are interested in joining the Studio Dance Academy or have any queries then please contact Alex on **07904 569 511** or Lucy on **07736 036 486** – alternatively full times and prices of classes can be found on their website:

www.thestudiomanchester.co.uk

The timetable at the Studio has now grown from 2 to 4 nights to cope with demand on classes. They now have street, modern, tap and ballet classes available for students from age 2 ½ years upwards, and street and tap classes available for adults.

Your Health Improvement Team

The Claremont / Weaste Health Improvement Team have two new workers in the area. Introducing Angie McLeod Health Improvement Manager and Dale Griffiths Health Trainee.

The full team consists of:

Angie McLeod
Health Improvement Manager

Lynne Kershaw
Senior Health Community Development Worker

Dawn Alexander
Community Health Improvement Worker

Dale Griffiths
Health Trainee

Mandy Blinco
Admin officer



Photos: Angie McLeod, Health Improvement Manager and Dale Griffiths, Health Trainee

Health Improvement Team Update

The Claremont and Weaste Health Improvement Team would like to know if anyone would be interested in a Curling taster session. The venue will be within our area and the time and date will be arranged once interest has been gauged.

Did you know?



Ranulph Court has its own knitting circle, where the ladies are kept busy knitting items of baby wear and blankets for Salford Royal's baby care unit. The hospital staff came to the scheme and met with the ladies and kindly accepted their gifts.

Since the knitting circle began the ladies have donated four bin bags full of beautiful baby things. If anyone is interested in knitting and would like to join the ladies in this good cause could they please contact:

Also...

Thursday Club -The Thursday Club's second meeting at Ranulph Court's sheltered housing scheme had a Caribbean theme. The club is held on the last Thursday of each month, so if you're lucky enough to be 55 years or over you are more than welcome to join us. We have amongst other activities:

- talks / discussion on local events/history
- quiz / bingo sessions

Sessions run between 11am and 3pm with a lunch thrown in!!

Bus Stop Walks -Help you to become fitter? Be more active? Make new friends? The walks take place each Friday morning at 10am, starting and finishing at the bus stop outside Pet Medics on Bolton Road, Irlams O'th Height. **Just turn up wearing suitable footwear and clothing.**

For more information about any of the above activities please contact: Lynne Kershaw or Mandy Blinco (Admin Assistant) on 212 4782

Healthy Living at St Luke's Primary School

The Health Improvement Team are currently running an exciting programme for both the children who attend St Luke's Primary School in Weaste and their parents. We are several weeks into the programme and so far have been on a Halloween Community Walk through Weaste Cemetery, cooked hot soups and fruity smoothies, as well as spent a lot of time playing fun and varied games to increase our general fitness.

Keep those Christmas presents safe



Hopefully you have enjoyed the Christmas holidays and are getting ready to tackle your New Year resolutions list. One thing you could add on to the list is ensuring your home isn't vulnerable to burglars.

Burglars will always be on the look out for easy opportunities to steal your possessions, especially new Christmas presents.

Top tips to help keep unwanted visitors at bay:

- Keep doors and windows shut and locked even when you are in. One in three burglaries is down to thieves getting in through open doors and windows.
- Register your valuables on www.immobilise.com. It's a free service where you can put details of your prized possessions on a national database that police can access and compare against items that have been found or recovered from suspected criminals.
- Keep gadgets and valuables out of sight and away from windows.
- Dispose of boxes that contained valuables by taking them to the tip – leaving them outside your home is an advert to thieves of what might be inside.
- Install and use your burglar alarm every time you leave the house and when you go to bed.
- Use lights, radios and timer switches to make your house look occupied.

Just to let you know of some good news in light of the incident with the off road bike nuisance during the Lightoaks Park event on 2nd December.

A substantial off-road bike, which was being ridden recklessly on the road, was followed into the park. Fortunately PCSO Dave Hartley was on foot on his way through the park and managed to approach the rider, who, in panic, stalled the bike and dumped it before running off.

Despite the rider managing to get away, Dave did well in seizing and keeping hold of the bike, which will not be reunited with its owner and will eventually find its way to the crusher.

Given the very real public and officer safety considerations (due to the manner of the offenders riding), which often prevent us from physically stopping and therefore seizing bikes, opportunities like this don't present themselves very often. It's therefore very satisfying for us to take one of these machines off their hands and out of circulation.

Photographs taken of the offenders on 2nd December will be circulated for officers to bear in mind in relation to bikes of a similar description being used. Any information as to possible users and riders of any off-roaders or any other vehicles being used anti-socially is as always gratefully received by the Neighbourhood Police Team, **tel: 856 5084**.

Operation Sousse targets student robberies

An operation aimed at reducing the number of student burglaries in Salford is being labelled a success.

Operation Sousse has been running in the Irlam o' th' Heights area following a number of incidents where students have been targeted and robbed of their valuables.

In response, officers from Salford Central Neighbourhood Policing Team have been patrolling the area and issuing crime prevention advice. Police have also been working closely with Pendleton College to ensure safety messages are issued to students.

Sergeant Craig Roberts from Salford Central Neighbourhood Policing Team said: "The aim of the operation is to target offenders and help keep members of the public, particularly students, safe. Five arrests have been made so far and I urge anyone with information relating to incidents to come forward and contact us."

"High visibility patrols will be in the area during Operation Sousse and I hope this will reassure members of the community."

To report crime call police on **0161 872 5050** or for more information visit gmp.police.uk.

You can also call anonymously with information about crime to Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**. Crimestoppers is an independent charity who will not want your name, just your information. Your call will not be traced or recorded and you do not have to go to court or give a statement.

Claremont and Weaste Ward Councillors

Claremont ward



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Advice bureaux for Claremont ward councillors:

Height Methodist Church Hall, King Street, Irlams o' th' Height

1st Thursday each month, 7pm - 8pm

Masonic Hall, Hospital Road, Pendlebury

3rd Friday each month, 7pm - 8pm

Weaste and Seedley ward



Councillor Janice Heywood

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Councillor John Deas

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Advice bureaux for Weaste and Seedley ward councillors:

The Meadows, 3 Tootal Road, Salford

Every Thursday, 2pm - 3pm

Tootal Drive County Primary School, Tootal Drive, Salford

Every Thursday, 7pm - 8pm

Member of Parliament



Rt Hon Hazel Blears MP

0161 925 0705

Email: blearsh@parliament.uk

Claremont and Weaste
Neighbourhood Management team
224 Eccles Old Road, Salford, M6 8AL
0161 789 4081

Other useful contact numbers

Salford City Council

- Salford City Council main switchboard 0161 794 4711
- Out of hours emergency number 0161 794 8888
- Environment division
(for queries such as refuse collections) 0161 909 6500
- Highways
(for queries such as street lighting) 0161 909 6505

Libraries

- Height Library, King Street, Salford, M6 7GY 0161 736 1907
- Hope Library, Eccles Old Rd, Salford, M6 8FH 0161 921 2185

Youth centres

- Height Youth Centre, King Street, Irlams o' th' Height, Salford 0161 736 3924 or 0161 736 2550

Community safety

- Police - general enquiries 0161 872 5050
- Police - emergencies 999
- Neighbourhood Policing team
(Central Salford) 0161 856 5022
- Salford anti-social behaviour reporting line 0161 909 6544
- 24-hour National Domestic Violence
helpline 0808 2000247

Salix Homes (council housing)

- Salix Direct 0800 218 2000
- Emergency out of hours 0161 794 8888

If you are interested in placing an article in the Claremont and Weaste Community Committee newsletter please contact the Neighbourhood Management team.

This document can be provided in large print, audio, electronic and Braille formats. Please contact the Neighbourhood Management team at Salford City Council, telephone 0161 789 4081.

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如果您有關於本宣傳頁的任何問題，請聯繫 Salford 理事會的 Neighbourhood Management team 團隊，電話號碼為 **0161 789 4081**

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Potrzebujesz tłumaczenia tego tekstu? - zadzwoń do naps na **0161 789 4081**