





Now in its 17th year, CELEBRATE festival returns to JNR8 Youth and Community Centre on Saturday, 21st June from 12-6pm.

The theme this year is 'ALL AGES', and there will be a range of exciting activities, workshops, and performances for children and adults alike.

So come down and get involved in a variety of arts and crafts, dance, kick boxing, DJing, writing workshops, and much, much more. Listen to some of the best local music and try some delicious local food, and make sure you try your luck with the raffle!

If you are interested in getting involved; performing, or running a stall, please get in touch with the festival coordinator Joe Webster on 07886461060 - or email joe@mindonfire.co.uk

RANGERS

The Whalley Rangers are an independent, grassroots community group, dedicated to bringing neighbours together through the care, upkeep and celebration of the beautiful Whalley Range, Manchester! The first ever Whalley Rangers Spring Clean took place on Sunday, 27th of April - with over 150 volunteers taking part, collecting rubbish - and then celebrating with a free meal and some great entertainment at the St Margaret's Centre on Brantingham Road. Visit the website at www.whalleyrangers.org and the Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/groups/thewhalleyrangers/ to find out more and to see photos of the spring clean.





20mph Speed Limits for quieter, safer streets

Large areas of Manchester will have 20 mile per hour speed limits in place from this week - in the first step towards introducing the zones across the whole city.

MCC are introducing three 20mph areas that will cover large parts of the city with new 20mph speed limits on all non major, residential streets. Traffic on these streets will be going at a safer speed, and drivers are less likely to use these streets as a cut through, which will help reduce the number of road traffic accidents.

The three initial areas are:

Area 1 - Gorton North, Gorton South, **Longsight and Bradford**

Area 2 - Miles Platting, Newton Heath, **Ancoats and Clayton**

Area 3 - Hulme, Moss Side Rusholme and **Fallowfield**

We're offering grants of up to £200 to promote the benefits of 20mph speed limits in your community.

Who can apply?

Applications can be from a small group of neighbours, a community or "Friends of" group, a residents association, school or voluntary organisation - anyone who wants to raise awareness about 20mph.

What sort of event or activity can be funded? Any event or activity that promotes the benefits of quieter, safer streets - things like an organised health walk around the local area, some cycle training, a group bike ride, a walking bus to take the kids to school, applying for a road closure and having a "Street Games" session or holding a "Get to Know Your Neighbours Day" to get people outside and talking to each other. Your school could organise a "Road Safety Day" with advice on safely walking, cycling or driving to

school for pupils, parents and staff. Or, you might want to organise a public meeting and get some posters, window stickers and banners to show support in your area. For more info about the 20mph scheme, and to apply for a grant visit www.manchester.gov.uk/20mph

E: 20mph@manchester.gov.uk

T: 0161 274 6422.



After a successful introduction of the 'Little Hands Make Big Changes' scheme by Manley Park Primary School, all three primary schools in Whalley Range have successfully been awarded funding under the Clean City project. This is the first area in Manchester where all primary schools will be involved.

The three schools taking part - Manley Park, St Margaret's C of E and Our Lady's RC primary school will join a growing number of projects to create a cleaner, greener Manchester. For more information about Clean City visit the website:

www.manchester.gov.uk/cleancity

Under the Clean City campaign these schools will be delivering 'Little Hands Make Big Changes' projects. This will encourage pupils to take an active role in their community, and ensure they recognise themselves as neighbourhood volunteers within Whalley Range.



To celebrate Manley Park Primary School's 50th birthday on Monday 28th April 2014, the whole school had a day of birthday party celebrations at the Junior site, and it couldn't have been better organised or gone any better – they even had perfect weather for the day – lovely and sunny and warm!

Read more about the celebrations on the website:

www.manleyparkprimary.co.uk and the great new

Manley Park PTA website at: www.manleyparkpta.org



On Saturday and Sunday 3rd & 4th May, Green Walk Open House Arts and Crafts

celebrated its eighth year, featuring work from artists and designers including paintings, ceramics, glass, photography and jewellery.

"Green Walk was fab, as usual! Lovely day on Saturday meant that loads of people lingered on the green.

There was a BBQ stall, Tibetan Kitchen had their festival van there and all the residents had loaned garden furniture so plenty to keep people around for a while. Plus there were 11 houses open this year - busiest yet!"

The event is organised by a group of Green Walk residents who open their houses to local artists/designers to showcase and sell their work. Visit the website to find out more: www.greenwalk.co.uk



The Whalley Range Community First Panel have recommended a total of 20 local projects that met the priorities identified by residents to the Community Development Foundation to date - and every fantastic project was approved! That's a total of £21,997.99 that has benefited Whalley Range residents since the funding programme opened in 2012!

There is one more year of funding left - so if you can think of a project that will benefit our community please read the guidelines below. We would like to encourage a diverse range of projects to apply for this final year - so please pass on to anyone who might be interested.

You can apply to the Whalley Range Community First Panel for a small grant to improve your neighbourhood.

New and existing community groups who live in Whalley Range can apply for £250-£1000 for projects that will benefit the area.

You must meet at least one of the following priorities:

- Promote local & green employability
- · Promote local health & wellbeing
- Promote local community cohesion and involvement
- Champion local environment awareness and community engagement
- Promote local capacity building.

You can apply to the Whalley Range Panel if you can demonstrate the following:

- How the project fits with the criteria
- How the project fits and will meet the needs of the community.
- That at least one of the project funding holders live in 'the area of Whalley Range'
- That the project will benefit 'the area of Whalley Range'

APPLY BEFORE 15th May 2014

The application form is on the Community First website at

www.whalleyrangecf.wordpress.com whalleyrange.manchester@live.co.uk

Tel: 881 3744 - or write to us at JNR8, 82 Cromwell Ave, M16 0BG



http://www.chorltonartsfestival.com

Community on Solid Ground

The group now hold regular activities in Manley Park Play Centre - including Monday coffee mornings for women from 10-12, drop-in advice sessions 1-4pm, 'Mash it Up' Fridays media project 6:30-8:30pm – and regular Saturday Girl Power project 3-5pm.

T: 0161 862 0955 E: admin@yosg.org.uk

Web: www.yosg.org.uk

Welsh Chapel | 116B Egerton Road North | Whalley

Range | Manchester | M16 0BZ Twitter: https://twitter.com/COSG_UK

Visit Facebook to find YoSG sports activities:

www.facebook.com/YouthOnSolidGround





The Age-friendly Whalley Range/Spread the News Newsletter should be dropping onto your doormat over the coming weeks. Funded by Community First and delivered by the Community Payback team, the newsletter will inform people who don't have access to the internet about the AFWR project and local contacts. Age-friendly Whalley Range held an event in April with the Ageing Study team to update residents about the progression of the groups - and to consult with people about what to do next. The mailing list is growing - and plans are in progress for our 6 older people's community events funded by the We Love MCR Lord Mayor's Charity fund. The 6 community events at accessible locations throughout the Ward will enable us to promote AFWR and engage with wider groups. The funding for each event includes transport costs for residents with reduced mobility/to encourage participation and publicity via door to door leafleting in the venues immediate area. The first event will be held on Friday May 30th 11-2pm at Tangmere Court on Dudley Road - with spring planting activities including herb growing - and an introduction to using a computer and getting online. The other 5 venues and dates will be confirmed soon. The AFWR Steering group has been meeting regularly to review progress of the Age-friendly Action Plan and to highlight issues that affect older residents - such as the 16 bus with drawal and Hough End development: a letter was sent to Arriva and Hough End development team on behalf of residents to voice our concerns about the impact of changes to services. We are currently looking at a new food project: Food Futures will be supporting a Casserole Club-style food project in Whalley Range, with support from WRCF. An initial planning meeting has been arranged for next week. www.agefriendlywhalleyrange.wordpress.com Call Chris on 881 3744 for more details of AFWR, to get involved in the events - or to join our mailing list.

Clean & Green for Whiz: Young people at the Whiz project recently received a £700 grant from GMP for activities and trips. 13 of the young people volunteered to take part in an organised litter pick in Whalley Range, in partnership with the police. "We are very proud of our young people for this, and they did a fantastic job too. They have all said that it has made them think twice about throwing litter, now that they've actively taken part in a cleanup. One young person said that from now on he'll keep litter in his pocket until he finds a bin. A great learning to be had here - as well as cleaner streets in Whalley Range" Alison Chisholm, Project Manager



Greater Manchester Coalition of Disabled People (GMCDP) was established in 1985 and is an organisation of disabled people; that is, run and controlled by disabled people.

GMCDP aims to:

- Promote the independence and integration of disabled people in society;
- •Identify and challenge the discrimination faced by disabled people in society today; and
- •Encourage and support the self-organisation of disabled people.

What do we do?

GMCDP campaigns to promote the rights of disabled people. We do this by running information sharing events, open meetings and training courses and providing information about disability and independent living issues. We take part in consultations with voluntary and

statutory organisations, both locally and nationally, to ensure that disability equality is embedded into the development of local policies and services.

We run a number of projects for young disabled people aged 10 to 25 to offer information, training and peer support.

We actively promote the understanding and implementation of the social model of disability, which underpins all our work. Members and volunteers play an important role in the work of GMCDP, so please get in touch if you'd like to find out more about how you can get involved. Contact details:

Phone: 0161 636 7534 | Email: info@gmcdp.com

Website: www.gmcdp.com

Unit 4, Windrush Millennium Centre, 70 Alexandra Road, Moss Side, M16 7WD

Talk English Courses

In addition to our regular Women's ESOL classes 10-11 am at JNR8 on Tuesdays. WRCF are working in partnership with MAES. providing a weekly 3 hour Talk English class 10-1pm for men and women. Migrants Supporting Migrants are running a Conversation Club at JNR8 on Wednesdays from 12-2pm for practicing English. Please promote all classes to anyone who might be interested. Call Chris on 881 3744 for



St Margaret's Centre, Brantingham Road M21 0TT We provide a space for people to come together and share learning experiences that enhance and empower their daily lives. We offer the following programmes in Manchester: Schools Programme: see school page Community Programme: see

community page Projects: E.G. The Bread Project, Love Learning

Programme: see **Education and Training** One World programme: One World bookshop stocking books on various awareness campaigns such as fair trade, child labour and environmental issues affecting developing countries. We share the space with our Partners who include; the Scouts, Maine Road Football, Alternative Routes Curriculum and Kimbilio see the

Partners page T:0161 862 9058

E: info@st-margarets-

centre.co.uk

Space to hire: Call the centre or visit the website for the booking form.



BRITISH MUSLIM HERITAGE CENTRE

Find out about upcoming events at the BMHC on the website: www.bmhc.org.uk College Road, Whalley Range 0161 881 8062

> info@bmhc.org.uk Or on Facebook at: http://tinyurl.com/k3zzcp2



Infant Department, York Avenue Saturday 12th May 11am - 2pm. The Spring Fair at school is fast approaching! We've got lots of activities (including a bouncy castle with slide, face painting, and pampering sessions for the adults!), and yummy food planned (there's always some gorgeous curries, and of course cakes and hotdogs) and brilliant raffle prizes, so start saving your pennies! Invite your friends – you don't have to have children in the school to come along!

www.manleyparkpta.org

Grundtvig: Building Positivity for Employability.

A numeracy and literacy teaching workshop will take place at JNR8/MPMC during 30th June -6th July The project will provide 16 European students with free travel, meals and accommodation There is space for 5 local candidates to join the course free of charge: get in touch for more details, Local residents living in walking distance of JNR8 have offered bed and breakfast in their homes for the students during the course. Hosts will receive £100 towards costs of hosting a student. We have had 10 offers of accommodation so far - and need 6 more: contact us if you are interested in getting involved. positivityworkshop@gmail.com Website: http://tinyurl.com/pa6ox6r or call Chris: 881 3744



Useful Numbers Councillors

Angeliki Stogia 07901528750 Aftab Razaq 07799560244 Mary Watson 860 5523 Whalley Range Forum 881 3744

Health Forum 881 3744 JNR8 881 3744 881 3744 Whiz projects Celebrate Festival 881 3744

Police

999 **Emergencies** Non-emergencies: 101 (15p per call) Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 Local Station 856 4973/856 4784 Council Planning 234 4537

Environment Issues Environmental Health 234 4875 Neighbourhood Services 234 5004 Ward Co-ordinator 455 1015

About the

Whalley Range CommunityForum

The Whalley Range Community Forum is a representative voluntary organisation for residents of Whalley Range. The Forum aims to promote a positive image of the area, contribute to the development of appropriate government strategies, improve local facilities and services and increase communications with other organisations.

Whalley Range Community Forum

Meetings

Trafalgar Court 100 Withington Road M16 8JW 7pm Thursday 10th 7pm Thursday 11th September

E: communityforumwhalleyrange@gmail.com

T: 0161 881 3744 c/o JNR8, 82 Cromwell Ave

WRCF on Twitter

http://tinyurl.com/8ywpozc

The Policing team for Whalley Range:

PC Bryn Lomas-Cecil 11199, PC Andrea Richards, 12518, PCSO Simon Laing 66017, PCSO Stacey Williams 66046, PCSO Lisa Dronseiko 62429.

Sergeant Tariq Butt 19753. Follow the team on Twitter for updates:

https://twitter.com/GMPChorlton