

**Riana Development Network** 

Harnessing the future

# Newsletter

Welcome to our fifth edition of the RDN Newsletter. Find out more about the programmes we're doing in your community

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Jack Petchey Award Winner

Congratulations to Isaiah (right) for receiving the Jack Petchey Achievement Award for his continuous hard work volunteering in the community!

As part of the reward scheme, award winners receive £250 which they can spend on behalf of their organisation on an activity with their peers or on equipment. Isaiah and his friends chose to go to the trampoline park and had a great day out!

### What's going on?

#### <u> Riana Youth Hub</u>

Ages 11-18yrs

Wednesdays 5-7pm

Alf Chandler Centre, Hounslow **Supplementary Education** 

Ages 7-16 yrs

Saturdays 2-4pm

Alf Chandler Centre, Hounslow **Community Allotment** 

Open to all Wednesdays 3:30-4:45pm Waye Avenue, Cranford

## VlogStar Challenge Finals



RDN is proud to announce that Rhiannon was the first young person from Hounslow to reach the VlogStar Challenge Finals!

The initiative aims to enable 16-24 year olds to have a platform to speak out on social issues through vlogging. The Media Trust delivered a workshop in Hounslow where participants were able to create vlogs for the competition. Rhiannon was successful in reaching the semi-finals out of 2000 entries! Her vlog addressed how young people are perceived in society.

At the semi-finals, the panel at YouTube space judged that Rhiannon's second vlog on women in society was in the top 15, out of 150 semifinalists.

The finalists were then asked to produce one more vlog to upload to their channels on a topic of their choice. Rhiannon's submission for the final was a powerful spoken word piece on events which have affected communities in London this year. "In my vlogs, I decided to talk about something that was personal to me. I found this easier to relate to as I was more passionate about what I was talking about " - Rhiannon

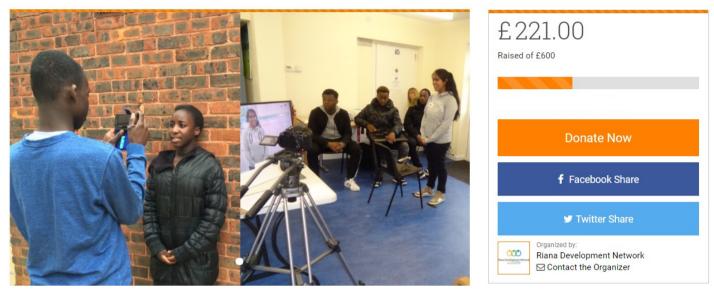
The VlogStar Challenge Finals took place on Friday 14th July at the British Academy of Film and Television Arts in London where volunteers from RDN and family members were able to attend.

#### For Rhiannon's submitted vlogs visit:

http://www.riana.org.uk/news/vlogstar-challenge-finals/

# Crowdfunding Campaign: Life Skills

Empower Youth Through Media Charity



This summer saw the exciting launch of a crowdfunding campaign to raise fund for the Life Skills Mentoring Programme.

The funds are going towards buying camera equipment, microphones and lighting for the programme. This is to allow young people in Hounslow to have the chance to work with top quality equipment and voice their views on social issues by using media and the creative arts.

£221 has been raised so far (correct 03/09/2017), a phenomenal achievement!

The crowdfunding campaign ends on the 4th September 2017

https://www.tryfundme.com/campaign/empower-youth-through-media

## London Docklands School Trip

On Saturday 15th July, students from the RDN Supplementary School went to the Museum of London Docklands on an educational trip

The students were very excited and parents appreciated that the trip had gone ahead. Pupils were able to take part in different activities such as estimating how large objects were using their hands and feet, and identifying food items that were traded in the Victorian Era, by using investigative skills.



The RDN Supplementary School prides itself on giving students the opportunity to undertake extracurricular activities, as well as providing close educational support to its students, throughout the course of the academic year.