



Riana Development Network

Harnessing the future

Newsletter

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

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Edensor Gardens Family Fun Day



On Saturday 4th August 2018, the Edensor Gardens Family Fun Day took place—the first of its kind in the area! This was a community event organised by the local residents from Edensor Gardens in partnership with Riana Development Network to bring residents together.

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What's going on?

Supplementary Education

Ages 7-16yrs

Saturdays 12-4pm

Alf Chandler Centre, Hounslow

Community Allotment

Open to all

Tuesdays 3:30-4:45pm

Waye Avenue, Cranford

We had a range of activities and stalls on display such as: Arts and Crafts, Food and Drink, Live Music Band, Brentford FC Sports Activities, Dr Bike - Free Bike Check Ups, Information Stalls, African Cultural Jewellery and Face Painting.

We would like to thank the following people and organisations for supporting the event: London Borough of Hounslow (LBH), Brentford FC Community Sports Trust, London Bike Hub, Velo City Cycling, Councillor Ronnie Mushiso, The Caribbean Express, Acton Market Stall, Chiswick Market Stall, Churchill's Pharmacy, Metro Bank Chiswick Branch, Coca-Cola, Avon UK and all the volunteers who helped out on the day.

Images from left to right: Cllr Ronnie Mushiso and Michelle Hutchinson (LBH) with Rodgers Orero from RDN, local resident Joyce manning the raffle stall, Janet (RDN) consulting with community residents at the end of the event, arts and crafts, African jewellery stall, local people socialising.



Community Benefits of Chocolate



On the 18th July 2018, Riana Development Network (RDN) was graced by the generosity of Lindt & Sprungli (UK) Ltd; a Feltham based chocolate company in the London Borough of Hounslow.

Through their corporate social responsibility policy, Lindt & Sprungli (UK) Ltd donated over 300 hours of labour and tools for the RDN Schools/Community Gardening and Nature Area Outdoor learning programme at Waye Avenue Community Allotment and Cranford Primary School Nature Reserve Area.

At Waye Avenue Community Allotment, with the support of the London Borough of Hounslow, Tesco's Bags of Help Initiative and Big Lottery Fund, RDN is involved with the community and schools through an intergenerational demonstration and Seedling/Nursery project. From this, the local community benefits from motivation, skills and seedlings and are able to grow vegetables all year round.

At Cranford Primary School, RDN, working closely with the headteacher and staff, are regenerating the Nature Reserve area for outdoor learning with a vision of making it a satellite outdoor learning space in the borough for other schools to utilise their limited space for a green project i.e. learning outside while growing vegetables.

Riana Development Network is a local charity in Hounslow which relies on the British value of voluntarism for its community activities. We have undertaken these projects with the help of Volunteering Hounslow. RDN welcomes anyone with some spare time or any form of support for this programme.

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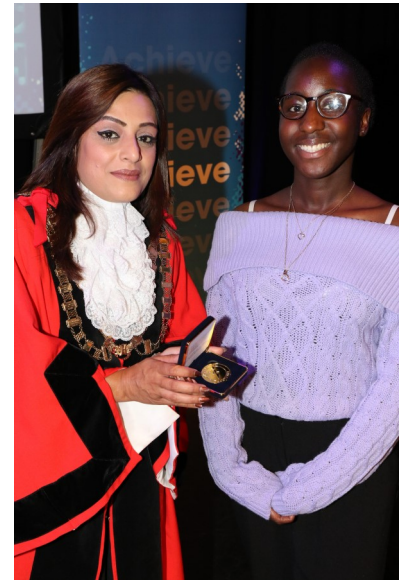
Jack Petchey Foundation Awards 2018

On Wednesday 6th June 2018, two young people that had taken part in RDN programmes received the Jack Petchey Achievement Award. This was in recognition for the hard work they have put into achievements in their personal development and also for their contribution in making the local community a better place to live in.

January 2018 Award Winner: Quinter

An ambassador and mentor to younger children

Quinter joined and started utilizing the services of the organization in year 7 and is now in year 10. Quinter was quite shy when she first joined the organization, however she soon gained the trust and friendship of her peers. Quinter has been instrumental in mobilizing other young people to join the sessions. She is a sports ambassador and supports younger people in lower years by equipping them with the necessary Netball skills and supporting them during PE sessions. Due to her passion for drawing, she has been able to use this tool to engage younger children in purposeful activity and playing piano occasionally to introduce younger children to music. Quinter has shown virtues of being a responsible, organised young girl with a lot of compassion and ability to put other people's needs first before hers.



March 2018 Winner Name: Michael

Resilience and positive engagement

Michael joined the organization when he was in year 8 of secondary school and he is in year 11 now. At the time, Michael was having a lot of personal challenges both in his personal life and school generally. Despite all these challenges, Michael has shown a lot of resilience and positive engagement in the programme. He has been consistent and quite willing to learn and gain vital lessons in life skills. Michael has put in a lot of hard work that has yielded remarkable progress both academically and socially. He has been able to move to the top table in Maths in the main stream school. Michael has constantly used the acquired skills to support and encourage others to attend sessions at times when least expected. He has occasionally supported friends facing similar challenges by accompanying them to the skills sessions. He has shown positive attitude towards learning new concepts and ideas.





It was also a pleasant surprise to see the young people from our Heston West Life Skills Programme go on to receive leadership awards.

9 young people have gone on to be heavily involved in the Heston West Big Local Youth Action Team., making key decisions to improve their local community. Well done to them!

NRCSE Certification Evening

On Thursday 5th July 2018, our volunteers from the RDN Supplementary School received certificates for completing the Level 3 Effective Teaching in Supplementary Schools training.

Five of our volunteers attended the 6 week training course by the NRCSE which covered all elements of the teaching cycle which are applicable to working with children in supplementary schools.

These elements were: Planning, Teaching, Assessment, Feedback, Evaluation, Understanding SEN/SEND, Classroom Management and Behaviour Management

Angela Bell, teacher trainer for the NRCSE, commended the high quality work produced by our trainees during the weekly sessions. Each week would involve a discussion

activity where trainees from different supplementary schools would compare and contrast teaching practices. Angela was particularly impressed by the microteaching sessions which were carried out at the end of the 6 week course.

Trainees were also required to submit a report of three lessons that they had taught within their supplementary school, with evidence to show how they were using the skills learnt in training to help students in lessons.

Overall, the course has benefited both volunteers with their career progression, and the organisation as the quality of the lessons delivered in the RDN Supplementary School continue to improve weekly.

The qualifications, accredited to Ofqual, were awarded by the Open College Network.





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