

CHORLTON HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY HUB UPDATE

THURSDAY 16TH JUNE 2016



ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

- Community members invited to attend TFGM cycle workshop on Wednesday 25th May
- Litter picking dates at Chorlton Park and Chorlton Water park promoted to Year 7 students

JUNIOR DIGITAL CHAMPIONS PROJECT UPDATE

- In May our Junior Digital Champions held their second digital drop in session with older Southway Housing residents
- The second session was a big success. The students involved have really grown in confidence and are enjoying teaching older residents how to use digital technology
- The residents have also been enjoying the sessions and have been full of praise of our students
- The group will be delivering their final session at a local Southway Housing community centre in July



DIGITAL CHAMPIONS PROJECT

“I have thoroughly enjoyed today! The information really helped what I wanted to ask about. The young lady was very patient explaining everything to me. I look forward to my next experience”



“Today was absolutely brilliant! The boys were so helpful and everyone was so nice. You have made an old lady very happy”

GROWING TOGETHER PROJECT UPDATE

- Since May 2015, a group of Year 8 students have been visiting Anchor Trust retirement homes in Chorlton, to assist with the 'Growing Together' project run by Debdale Eco Centre
- The students have been helping residents with their community gardens; clearing raised beds, sowing seeds and harvesting produce.
- Students visited Arden Court for the final time in March as the project came to an end
- This visit rounded off a successful partnership developed with local retirement homes which enabled students to put our school Co-operative Values into action, and learn first-hand about the importance of working alongside our local community.



GROWING TOGETHER PROJECT



“The residents greatly appreciate the recent help of Chorlton High School students in clearing and preparing their vegetable beds for spring, giving space for even more growing”



MANCHESTER REFUGEE SUPPORT NETWORK

- As part of Chorlton Arts Festival our students created and performed a piece about Refugees. The performance raised £430 which will be donated to Manchester Refugee Support Network (MRSN)
- Our students have been invited to performance a dance and drama piece at Manchester Art Gallery on Saturday 18th June at 1pm
- The students will also be handing over the cheque to MRSN



CHORLTON ARTS FESTIVAL

- Each year we run a week-long programme of events in our Blue Box theatre as part of the Chorlton Arts Festival
- Over 351 Year 5 children from 7 South Manchester primary schools performed 'Julius Caesar'. This was culmination of a collaborative project led by the Primary Outreach Team at Chorlton High School
- We hosted the final of Chorlton Young Musician of the Year Award which showcased talented students from across Chorlton



TFGM CYCLING SCHOOLS & COLLEGES PROJECT

- Thank you to the community members who came along to the cycle workshop with TFGM on Wednesday 25th May. It was great to have community members supporting us with the project
- There is lots of scope for us to link in with the local community with student cycling engagement
- We are also keen to look at how we can enhance signage and way marking between school and key cycle routes like the Fallowfield Loop



WOULD YOU LIKE TO INVOLVE OUT STUDENTS IN A COMMUNITY PROJECT NEXT YEAR?

- We are starting to look ahead to next year and planning in community projects to run with our students
- If you have a project you are interested in running with our students please email c.taggart@chorltonhigh.manchester.sch.uk



COMMUNITY NETWORK EVENT

- Following feedback from community members we have noted that you find the opportunity to talk to other community groups and individuals at our Community Hub meetings beneficial
- In light of this we are planning on hosting a community network event for community members to attend
- We would like to hear your thoughts on this and any suggestions you might have in how we can support our Community Hub

