



ing wall at the front of the community cen



Families choosing their favourite fruits to make their refreshing fruity face designs!



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# The BIG community lunch!

On Thursday 15th February, over 140 people came together to eat, be creative, and have fun, at Rose Hill Community centre.

Thanks to funding from the Government's Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund, delivered by The National Lottery Community Fund, we were able to run a free community lunch for everyone to enjoy during the half term holiday!

Children and young people enjoyed the climbing wall outside of the community centre, whilst others explored community stalls, played with lego, painted nature designs on our giant mural with local artist Merlin Porter, designed yummy fruity faces and learned about healthy air fryer food recipes!

We had stalls from Rose Hill and Iffley Low Carbon and Clean Heat Streets who gave out information about free and low cost energy initiatives.

The Oxfordshire Asian Women's group, who meet every Wednesday at Rose Hill Community centre, gave away free toys for children and offered henna art.

Oxford Youth Ambition gave out information about local youth clubs, and our Neighbourhood Police team advised local people about keeping safe in the community and gave out free crime prevention tools.

Thanks to everyone involved in this wonderful day, to our RHJYC staff who made the lunch and our kind helpers who ran activities and made everyone feel welcome, the community centre for supporting our work and everyone who donated winter clothes, which we gave away for free on the day.







Yummy pasta, chicken and veggie rice lunches provided by Rose Hill Junior Youth club kitchen staff



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### Community clean up!

On Saturday 9th March, 30 volunteers came together to collect around 50 bags of rubbish from all over Rose Hill!

Free snacks and drinks were provided on the day, thanks to funding from Feltham Construction.

A big thanks to Rose Hill & Iffley Low Carbon, Friends of Rivermead, Rose Hill Community Network, Rose Hill Youth FC, ODS & Rose Hill Community centre for supporting this litter pick event.

#### **Celebrate Rose Hill's Nature!**

The Earthwatch Naturehood project is hosting two free nature sessions, open to all ages in April & May.

Saturday 27th April, 3:30pm-5:30pm, join us to see how much wildlife we can find at the recreation ground woodland (behind Rose Hill Community centre) for the global City Nature Challenge.

Saturday 11th May, 1pm - 4pm, create a spray-painted mural of the woodland at the Community Centre shipping container.

We'll start with a walk to find inspiration in nature, then learn how to make spray paint stencils of wildlife, before creating the final artwork together.

Spaces for the workshop are limited. To secure your free ticket, email: jwalker@earthwatch.org.uk.

All welcome to come by the shipping container at 4.30pm for the unveiling of the mural.

#### Rose Hill Methodist Church

Are you in need of some company and somewhere to meet people over a cup of tea or coffee? Our Community Drop In Café at Rose Hill Methodist Church is open every **Monday** afternoon from 2pm - 4.30pm.

It's a great place to meet others, chat, or play board games, colour in, do jigsaws etc.

There's no charge and we'd love to welcome vou! For more information please contact Liz, Community Chaplain: rosehillcommunitychaplain@gmail.com 07754670565

### **Rose Hill Community centre**

Free lunch time run club!

Every Monday & Wednesday at 1pm from RHCC. Get ready to boost your lunch break with a fun run! Suitable for all levels. Bring your running shoes and suitable gym attire.

#### Junior gym sessions (Ages 12-15)

Mondays, Wednesdays & Saturdays: 3:30pm-5pm

#### Ladies only gym session

Fridays 11am-12pm

#### **Gym pricing**

£24 per month Gym + classes £15 per month Direct Debit £18 per month pay as you go £6.00 per single session £13 per month: +65 years old's £13 per month 16 year old's and younger £3.70 Junior Gym for non members

### **Volunteering opportunities:** Restore shop & cafe:

Restore is looking for volunteers, who can help in their friendly cafe & shop in Littlemore. If you have an interest in cooking and helping others, come and join our friendly team for one day a week! Full training and support provided! Contact: volunteer@restore.org.uk

#### www.restore.org.uk / 01865455822 **Home-Start Oxford**

Home-Start Oxford is looking for volunteers to help run its popular free stay and play group, Rose Buds, at Rose Hill Community Centre on Friday mornings.

Their next group volunteer training session is on Wednesday 17th April, 10.30am-2.30pm in Eynsham (help with travel is available).

If you would like to find out more about this volunteering opportunity or would like to join the training session, please call Home-Start on: 01865649003 / admin@homestartoxford.org.uk

### **Community larder:**

Rose Hill Community Larder is open every Tuesday from 2:15pm-4pm at Rose Hill Community centre, and all through the Easter holidays!

Individual members pay a small weekly subscription (£3.50), accessing 10 groceries and fresh fruit and veg. We also regularly have special events, such as pop-up cooking demos and giveaways of household cleaning

products and personal care items. Enjoy the benefits of easy access to affordable groceries, friendship and support services in OX4. Sign up to become a member here:

www.sofea.uk.com/purpose-projects/community-larder





### Rose Hill & Iffley Low Carbon

Saving energy at home: In February, RHILC took thermal images of 32 local homes. The lighter colours show where heat is leaking out of the house.



1. From the radiator under the ground floor window.

2. Through the front door.

3. From the plastic roofing over the lobby.

Possible solutions:

No cost: Put foil behind the adiator under the window to block the heat. RHILC can provide free radiator foil.

Low cost: Put a thick curtain behind the front door. Bigger cost: Put insulation boards under the plastic roof or replace it with double glazing. Get your free radiator foil by emailing: rosehill.iffley.low.carbon@gmail.com

#### **Upcoming repair cafés:**

Saturday 6th April & Saturday 1st June

Rose Hill Community centre, 10am - 12:30pm

Bring your electrical gadgets, clothes, bikes or jewellery, our volunteers will try to repair them for free!

Plus, toys (3+) & toiletries swap! Refreshments available! We are always grateful for volunteers! If you can help, email us using the RHILC address.

### **Neighbourhood Police Team**



Left to right: PCSO Tom Taylor, PCSO Caroline Sampson, PS Rosie Campbell, PC Ray Tse, PCSO Jonny Little.

As a neighbourhood team, we try to engage with the community as much as possible to build better and stronger relations between local residents and police, this will ultimately reduce crime and give the police a better understanding of what areas we need to concentrate on.

Over the winter months we have advised and educated our policing area on vehicle theft and theft from persons which has been seen to be on the rise.

We have been handing out crime prevention tools to deter and prevent these crimes from being committed, you may have seen us at our local 'have your say' community stalls.



Upcoming Have Your Says - this is a chance to come and speak to your local police team and ask questions or issues you may be having in your area:

Rose Hill Community Centre - Saturday 20th April, 4-6pm Cowley Road, Littlemore shops - Saturday 27th April, 1-3pm Iffley Community Shop - Sunday 28th April, 1-3pm

We are also contactable through 101 or in an emergency 999

If you would like to contact us through email then please use: RosehillTeam@thamesvalley.police.uk and we will reply as soon as we can.

#### **FAM JAM:**

FAM JAM is a family disco for under 7's and their grown ups, run by Dancin' Öxford.

All Welcome! Join us on the date below at Rose Hill Community Centre:

Saturday 25th May 3.30-5pm Any questions, please email

Rachel familydanceoxford@gmail.com



#### **Rose Hill Community Network**

Benedict (RHCN chair)

Rose Hill needs your voice, the RHCN is a group of passionate individuals who want to contribute and bless Rose Hill though local projects, initiatives and networking with local leaders.

Come and join us online (Zoom) monthly to share your ideas and hear what's going on. Everyone welcome. We meet on the **2nd Tuesday** of the month, from **7:30pm**.

Meeting ID: **378 215 2571** Passcode: **2020** 

rosehillcommunitynetwork@gmail.com

#### **Art Gallery**

Westbury People's Gallery is an independent arts collective, entirely self-supported through communal effort. We hold free events and exhibitions in ou unique Garden Gallery, which is located a 1 Westbury Crescent, O.X4 3RZ. All art and media is welcome to be

displayed, get in touch:

Malcolm Atkins - 07872 991287

www.westburypeoplesgallery.co.uk



#### **Grants for Community Groups Supporting Health and Wellbeing**

Are you a community or voluntary group who needs funding to help you run health & wellbeing activities in Rose Hill?

Building on existing grants and support, Well Together funding is available from £3,000-£15,000, but feel free to chat to us about smaller or larger grants. It's for activities run in ten areas across Oxfordshire, including Rose Hill, and can be for new activities or to extend existing activities

If you are a very small group, perhaps you could link up with a larger group to apply for funding.

Find out about the criteria, examples of activities we're looking to fund, and how to apply on our website:

ocva.org.uk/well-together-programme The Well Together team are happy to help with any questions.

> You can reach Jane on 07707 329318 / welltogether@ocva.org.uk

### Rose Hill Junior Youth club **Upcoming partnerships:**



## Story Connectors: Zine making workshops

The Story Museum is partnering with Rose Hill JYC for a special project exploring your favourite stories

Over 5 free workshops, The Story Museum will be visiting the senior girls club and leading workshops on Zine making - a small handmade magazine that you can make yourself from materials available at home.

Zines are a great way to express your ideas, passions and interests - and we want to create a Zine together which is about your opinions on the stories in our museum collection.

As part of this project, Rose Hill JYC will be visiting The Story Museum to see our spaces and hear your ideas.

#### Workshop dates:

Thurs 18th April, Fri 3rd May (visit to Museum), Thurs 9th May, Thurs 16th May, Thurs 23rd May, 5:30pm-7:30pm. Girls club, ages 11+, just come along at Rose Hill Community centre.

This project has been supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund





#### film oxford JAMESCOWPERKRESTON

#### Free filmmaking workshops for ages 11-17

Free filmmaking workshops across three days during the **May half term**, thanks to funding from James Cowper Kreston Foundation and Film Oxford, supported by RHJYC.

Interested in learning how to use cameras, how to edit, make music, graphics, and much more?

Express your interest now, limited places available. Dates and times to be confirmed. Contact Aimee: aimee@rhjyc.org / 07983972519



### **Upcoming JYC sessions**

We run free, fun & exciting sessions for children and young people aged 5-16 at Rose Hill Community centre.

Arts & crafts, nature activities, free play and games, sports, plus a hot nutritional dinner.

Wednesdays: School Years 1-3, 3:15pm-5:15pm / Senior boys club, ages 11+, 5:30pm-7pm

Thursdays: School Years 4-6, 3:15pm-5:15pm /

Senior girls club, ages 11+, 5:30pm-7pm Sign up online at rhjyc.org or in person.

Contact Aimee: aimee@rhjyc.org / 07983972519 Upcoming sessions:

April: 17th, 18th, 24th & 25th

May: 1st, 2nd, 8th, 9th, 15th, 16th, 22nd, 23rd June: 5th, 6th, 12th, 13th, 19th, 20th, 26th, 27th

#### July: 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th

Read our 2023 report, detailing all of youth club sessions, trips, activities, events and partnerships last year!

#### rhjyc.org/category/our-reports

Our work in 2023

Stay up-to-date with our activities via Facebook, Instagram and YouTube:



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