# **Multi Cultural** Community Centre

Serving Watford's Communities Since 1985

70 Durban Road West, Watford, WD18 7DS

Charity Reg. No: 292658

October - December 2013 Quarterly Newsletter

### The MCCC welcomes people from all Nationalities and all Ethnic and Faith backgrounds

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At this special time of the year we would like to send our best wishes to all those who celebrate

**Diwali** - Festival of Lights

(Celebrated by Hindus and Sikhs November 3th to 7th)

**Muharram** - Islamic New Year

(Celebrated by Muslims on November 5th)

**Guru Nanak's Birthday** - Founder of Sikhism Birthday

(Celebrated by Sikhs on November 17th)

Hannukkah - Jewish Festival

(Celebrated by Jews from November 27th to December 5th)

**Christmas** - Jesus' Birthday

(Celebrated by Christians on December 25th)

And a Happy New Year 2014 to everyone!!

### **Watford Celebration 2013**

On Bank Holiday Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May, around 2,000 people came to enjoy a wonderful afternoon of entertainment at the Multi Cultural Community Centre (MCCC), St Michael and All Angels' Church and the Littlebury Hall. The Watford Celebration is an annual event that provides an opportunity for the various cultures, nationalities and faith groups as well as charities of Watford to come together in a day of celebration and friendship. It is also an occasion to learn about each other. There were 40 stalls in St Michael's Church, interfaith discussions in the vestry of the church, children's entertainment in the Littlebury Hall with a bouncy castle outside. In the MCCC, there were performance on stage e.g. Kendo - a Japanese marshal art, a Sikh Tabla player, Scottish bagpipes, gospel choirs, dial up karaoke and more. At lunch time the public could sample Pakistani cuisine with Pakoras and Samosas, Japanese sushi, Chinese food, West African dishes and more. We were privileged to have the visit

of Viscountess Trenchard, High Sheriff of Hertfordshire and her husband, Councillor Steve Rackett, Chairman of The Watford Borough Council, who stayed with us most of the day. Many thanks to all who came and supported the event!

We hope to see you next year at **Watford Celebration 2014!** 

For more information about Watford Celebration:

www.watfordcelebration.com



Sikh Tabla players



Viscountess Trenchard, High Sheriff of Hertfordshire, her husband and Sharifa Chaudry Chair of MCCC at Watford Celebration 2013.



Kendo demonstration., Japanese marshall art

### **Charity Donation**

For all your Donations Big or Small

Visit our website for further information: www.mcccwatford.co.uk Thank you!



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### **Eid Market, a Great Success!**

The Multi Cultural Community Centre held an Eid Festival Market on Friday 11th of October. It was a great success, well attended by the community! People booked tables and sold all kind of wonderful items. Many came to enjoy the Festive market and his delicious food. MCCC would like to thank everyone who came and supported the event! We hope to see you again at our next market.

A special thanks to **The Prince of Bengal Restaurant** for providing food at our community market!!

### **Community Market:**

The MCCC is organizing regular community markets where you are welcome to hire a stall and sell your crafts or products. Call us for more information at 01923 220136

### Activities at the MCCC

	Muslim Waman study group	10am 2nm
Monday	Muslim Women study group	10am - 2pm
	Education support Class	4.30pm - 6pm
	FWC Kung Fu Class	6.25pm - 8.25pm
	Pilates exercise (women only)	8.30pm - 9.30pm
Tuesday	Dosti Luncheon	10.30am - 3pm
	Education Support Class	4.30pm - 6pm
Wednesday	Herts Sport Partnership	10am - 2pm
	Education support Class	4.30pm - 6pm
	FWC Kung Fu Class	6.30pm - 9.30pm
Thursday	Coffee Morning	9.30am - 11.30am
	WMWO - Luncheon Club	11.30am - 1.30pm
	Education Support Class	4.30pm - 6pm
Friday	Bangladeshi Prayer Group	1.30pm - 2.30pm
	Educational support Class	4.30pm - 6pm
	UC Mass	4.30pm - 6.30pm
	Watford woodcraft	6.30pm - 8pm
	AICP Education class	8pm - 9pm
Saturday	Bulgarian School	10am - 12pm
-	True Vine Intern. Ministry	7.30pm - 9.30pm
Sunday	True Vine Intern. Ministry	10.30am - 2pm
•	Christ Apostolic Church (Mt Joy)	3pm - 5pm

### **Information Police Box**

There is an Information Police Box in the MCCC for the community to voice their opinion or inform the Police. It is confidential and the Police hold the keys to the box.

### The Multi Cultural Community Centre is Your Community Centre Please feel free to come and see us

If you are looking for a place for a Birthday Party, a Wedding, a Conference or any other occasions,

the Centre offers a spacious main hall that can seat up to 250 people, a conference room and a kitchen. We also have a IT room with computers available. These can be hired out to groups or individuals for private functions at a reasonable rate.

For more information call 01923 220136 or email admin@mcccwatford.co.uk You can also find a lot of useful information on our website www.mcccwatford.co.uk

## **PILATES**

For Women only

EVERY MONDAY—8.30pm to 9.30pm

No pre-booking required, just turn up on any Monday except Bank Holiday

Cost—£3.00 per person per session



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### A Fresh Coat of Paint

Helping Hands is a programme of outreach of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, where projects to benefit the community are undertaken by the members.

A large group including children descended on the MCCC on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August, armed with a will to work as a team. The teams' main tasks were to paint the ladies' and gentlemen's toilets in the entrance, as well as the toilet at the back of the Centre. The "white out" work was quickly carried out, as the basis for the colour to be added later. Holes in the wall in the main hall were also filled and then painted.

Another major project was the hot water pipes lining the main hall. These were given a thorough sanding and under-coated, and it is intended that they will have a top coat applied in the coming weeks.

Prior to the main work on the 31<sup>st</sup>, Laurence (in spite of his infirmities) and Marijah Butcher worked on taking the toilet doors back to the wood, filling and painting the surfaces and painting the hallway, with help from Rob Elliott.

Laurence Butcher also oversaw the sanding and painting on Helping Hands Day – proving that everyone can be involved. A great day was enjoyed by all and a feeling of satisfaction at what had been achieved, with the intention to return to finish the job.



### New chairs and a new shed!





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> Marijah Butcher - 07821 865 738 marijah butcher@ntlworld.com

### **Volunteers**

We at the Multi Cultural Community Centre welcome and encourage volunteers to come forward and gain some work experience with us. As per our record the last 2 volunteers who offered their help have now successfully found a full time job. Volunteering is a great asset for your CV.

We would like to thank all our volunteers and a special thanks to Christophe Murphy for his regular support for IT.

If you have some spare time and want to volunteer we would like to hear from you.

We are currently looking for a volunteer who could help us develop our weekly Coffee Morning every Thursday from 9.30am to 11.30am. If you think you could help, please contact us at 01923 220136 or admin@mcccwatford.co.uk

### To Advertise

To place an advertisement in our next Newsletter, please contact our office on 01923 220136 or send us an email on admin@mcccwatford.co.uk



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### **MATHS & ENGLISH**

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