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MAY 2019

Spring Grove Residents' Association Annual General Meeting – Weds 29th May, 8pm – Parish Hall, Grove Lane

All residents of the area are welcome the Annual General Meeting of the Spring Grove Residents' Association, the local organisation representing your area.

Speakers will include representatives from the Grove Ward Safer Neighbourhood Police team, the University and St John's Church. They will provide updates and answer your questions on matters concerning our area.

We have also invited the Grove Ward Councillors and Ed Davey MP to speak. If you would like to stand for the committee or if you wish to submit any questions in advance please contact Alan Leeds or Jackie Steinitz on jackie@springgrovekingston.co.uk.

The meeting will also discuss a motion to have our local Parish Hall registered as a community asset.

St John's Church Regeneration – thank you so much to everyone who has and is supported the Church's regeneration project. Through the amazing fundraising efforts of the church and local community, the first phase of work (new heating and lighting) was completed last autumn. The church is now a beautifully lit and warm space for services and community activities. It has been awarded 2 substantial grants from the Garfield Weston Anniversary Fund and the City Bridge Trust which will enable it to carry out the next phase of work later this year (improved kitchen, better access entrance and internal ramps, new toilet block and storage cupboards). This work will greatly improve the church as a community space.

A new vicar for St John's – Rev'd Vicky Maunder has been appointed vicar of St James Church, West End, in Southampton, her home town and is leaving St John's at the end of May, after 12 years here. Her last service with leaving party afterwards is on Sunday 26th May at 10am. All welcome. A new vicar for St John's will likely be appointed in the autumn and in the meantime, the Rev'd David Bell, a recently retired priest, will be taking many of the services. The rector of All Saints, Rev'd Jonathan Wilkes, will also be supporting the church during the vacancy.

Saturday Community Café – the church is open on Saturday morning from 10am to 12 where everyone is welcome to drop in for refreshments, to enjoy the ambience of the beautiful building and connect with others. There is a warm welcome and an area for children to play.

Little Groovers – this friendly parents/carer and toddler/baby group is run by local parents in the church on Tuesday from 9.45am to 11.15am. £1.50 per family.

Refugee Day Centre — Refugee Action Kingston (RAK) are working with St John's to set up a lunch club in the church on Tuesdays to support destitute asylum seekers and the most vulnerable refugees in Kingston. A hot lunch, food parcels, food vouchers, toiletries and clothing will be offered to support clients who have no recourse to public funds. There will be educational, social and gentle stress relieving activities as well as advice to access medical services and emotional support. Conversation and interaction will be most important and RAK, through this project, aim to reduce isolation and anxiety for many people who are far from home, living in poverty and separated from family and friends. Volunteers are needed for this project (including a great cook!). Please contact

Jenny jenny.arokiasamy@refugeeactionkingston.org.uk for more information and to fill out more about volunteering.

Saturday Community Café and Book sale.

On Saturday 1st June and 13th July, the café will be open from 10.00-2.00pm with their book sale. Large variety of good second-hand books for adults and children at very reasonable prices. The proceeds from the café on 1st June will be for Help for Heroes and on the 13th July for OXYGEN.

What's on in the parish hall.

Mon: 8.00-10.00pm: Badminton (more information from parish@stjohnskingston.co.uk)

Tue: 3.30-7.30pm: Dance Stars - Clare Rowland <clare.rowland@dance-stars.com>

7.45-9.30pm: Jiu Jitsu Jiu -Jitsu Brotherhood <marc@jiujitsubrotherhood.com>

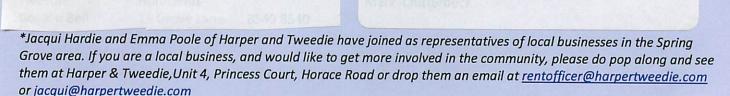
Wed: 3.30-6.15pm: Perform - Sophie Ladds < sophieladds@perform.org.uk >

8.00-10.00pm: Spring Grove Fringe

Thu: 4.30-9.30pm: Jiu Jitsu Sat: 9.00-12.00pm Jiu Jitsu

Sun: 9.00-11.45am Rugbytots Wes wes@rugbytots.co.uk

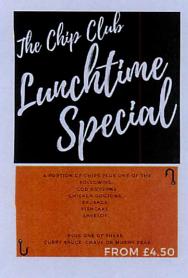
Current SGRA Committee Members



The SGRA Website, Facebook and Twitter

Please visit www.springgrovekingston.co.uk for the latest news and links to other relevant sites or see our Facebook page www.facebook.com/SGRAKingston and our tweets on @SGRAkingston. If you have any contributions or suggestions contact sgra@springgrovekingston.co.uk. Any resident wishing to join the committee or help with activities please contact Alan Leeds on 07751 936595 or Jackie Steinitz on 07985 406931.

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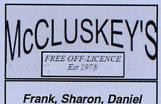




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Frank, Sharon, Daniel and staff wish everyone an enjoyable Spring and Summer.

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