



West Park Community News



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'Community—something for all ages'

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Community Contact

If you want to find out more; become involved in any of the projects mentioned; or have ideas for future initiatives, please contact me on 821964 or by e-mail at community@westpark.derby.sch.uk

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Family & Community Learning

This year's Family Learning sessions for year 7 pupils have got off to a flying start. Well done to you all, a very impressive start to the year.

Congratulations also go to the 147 Cubs Dove Pack who came into school in December to take their IT badge.



Computer Taster Sessions can be arranged on request for local organisations. This can be at school or where you meet.

New Courses

Thank you for the feedback you have given on the courses you would like to see in the area and particularly at West Park School. The surveys, feedback at neighbourhood meetings and your personal replies have been a great help.

This has resulted in the following new courses starting in September 2007:

- Tai Chi for Health;
- Line Dancing for Beginners;
- English & Maths from entry level to level 2 (GCSE equivalent).

These courses will continue in the New Year.

A new course in January is "Introduction to Childcare" with a free crèche being provided.

Details of these and other courses are given overleaf.

What Next?

Approval was given in December to be:

- a UKOnline centre which will allow access to Internet training courses;
- a Champion for the Open University Openings courses for those who wish to study flexibly at home.



Further details of these initiatives will be available in January.

This is in addition to the range of ICT courses from absolute beginners to Microsoft Expert Courses that are already available.

For more information about what is available please contact the school.

Feed Back Form

We are currently planning courses for the new year, suggestions so far have included:

- flexible computer courses for those working shifts;
- after school parent and child mathematics and computing sessions for primary school pupils;
- support for those studying for the Open University and similar courses;
- how to use spreadsheets;
- digital Photography and photo editing.



We would appreciate you completing the form overleaf with details of the courses you would like to see take place. Please return the form to Community Development at the school.



Community Website

For the latest community information please log on to www.westparkcommunity.co.uk



JANUARY ADULT PROGRAMME

Wed 9th Jan 2008 7:00-8:00	Tai Chi for Beginners Find out how Tai Chi can help you to relax and improve your health.	Free taster session, the next course starts on 15th January.
Thurs 10th Jan 2008 6:00-8:00	Maths & English Information and enrolment session for those who wish to attend the free sessions, delivered by Derby College.	Classes start next week. Tuesday morning and Thursday evening.
Mon 14th Jan 2008 7:00-9:00	Family History Open Meeting Are you interested in/or researching your family history? This is an opportunity to talk to people with similar interests.	No Charge.
Tues 15th Jan 2008 1:00-3:00	Introduction to Creche Work First of three weekly taster sessions.	Total cost for the 3 sessions £5. Advance booking is required.
Tues 15th Jan 2008 7:00-9:00	Line Dancing for Beginners Instruction by L & B Line Dancing. This is for those who haven't done line dancing before, need a refresher or just enjoy line dancing.	Taster session £1. Future sessions £3.50, £2 for accompanied children.
Mon 21st Jan 2008 7:00-8:30	Introduction to the Internet What it is and how useful it can be. No prior knowledge is required	Free Advance booking is required.
Tues 22nd Jan 2008 6:30-8:30	Keeping Your Computer Healthy How fit is your pc? Learn how to keep it running smoothly and safely, with regular MOTs.	£5 Advance booking is required.

Feed Back Form

Name _____ I have a child at _____ school

Address _____

Telephone _____ e-mail _____

I am interested in _____

The most suitable day and time would be _____