



West Park Community News



Issue 4

'Community—something for all ages'

Summer 2006

Summer Greetings

Our first year since gaining specialist status has been very successful.

Well done and thank you to all involved.

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 jean.moss@westpark.derby.sch.uk

Jean Moss

Community Development

Adult Tutors

Do you have any skills that you wish to pass on to other learners?



Would you like to be added to our adult tutors register?

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

This school has the largest number of participants, over 150, of any school in Derby. This year three of our pupils have helped adult learners as part of their community service.

Thank you Stephen Lambert, Mathew Middleton and Stephen Sprange.

Interest Clubs

During the last year interest has been expressed in forming a family history and a digital photography club.

What do you think?

Do you have any other suggestions?



Family Learning Celebration 27th June



A group of year 7 children, parents and a grandparent have been attending maths and computing classes after school on a Friday.

They represented the school at the Family Learning Celebration and also completed a module for the Children's University. This is in addition to passing OCR ICT Skills for Life.

It has been so successful that we have received funds to run the class for another year. Well done!

Community Learners Celebration 18th July 2006

This year over 100 learners have attended courses at the school. Their successes were celebrated at our first Community Celebration Event. An enjoyable time was had on one of the hottest evenings of the year. It was a pleasure to meet our learners in a relaxed and sociable environment.



Cycling at West Park

The new cycling storage was officially opened by Mr Adamson.

Mr Adamson, who is retiring this year, has championed cycling at the school for many years. We wish him well in his retirement.

Thank you to all who attended including the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and local councillors. A special thank you to the pupils who cycled in such wet weather and Dave Clasby of Sustrans for providing the prizes.



Community Groups

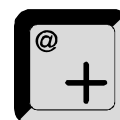
This year we have been able to support the formation of Chaddesden Historical Group. This group meets on the first Thursday of each month at Chaddesden Jubilee Club from 11:00—1:00. The next meeting on 3rd August has a talk by Barbara Fibiger on Wartime Schooling in Chaddesden. The admission charge is Members £1, Non-Members £2.

We are happy to arrange visits outside school hours for community groups and organisations to show how the Internet and Computers can benefit individuals as well as organisations. Please contact us for further information.



Community Website

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



COURSES STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2006

Adult and Community Learning at West Park in partnership with Lees Brook Community Sports College and Derby College.

Course	Day	Time
Computers for Beginners – leads to CLAIT 2006	Thurs	7:00 – 9:00
CLAIT 2006 – leads to CLAIT Plus 2006	Mon	7:00 – 9:00
CLAIT Plus includes Microsoft Office Units	Mon	6:30 – 9:00
Family Learning—a small group of parents & year 7	Fri	3:00 – 5:00
Flexible Drop-In Maths & IT Courses	Tues &	9:00 – 4:00
Tai-Chi for Beginners	Mon	6:15 – 7:15



Full details of these courses and courses taking place at Lees Brook Community Sports College are given in the Adult Learning Guide. Copies are available from Chaddesden and Spondon Libraries.

Enrolment Sessions for Evening Classes at West Park are on Monday 11th September and Thursday 14th September between 6pm and 7pm.

If you are interested in the flexible drop in sessions, please contact the school at the beginning of September to arrange a discussion as to your requirements.

Other Courses

Literacy and English Class

This will commence on Monday 11th September from 6:30 to 8:30. Please contact Julie from Derby Adult Learning Service on 831338 for more information .



Guitar for Beginners
Drumming for Beginners



These classes commence at West Park on Saturday mornings in September and are suitable for all ages.

Taster Courses

A variety of taster courses will be available during the year. The first sessions will be held during Family Learning Week. This runs from the 7th -15th October 2006.

Microsoft Office Training

All adult learners registered with the school will have the opportunity to access Microsoft Office E-Learning materials. More information will be available in September.

This is possible through our Microsoft IT Academy status.

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