



WOW MUMS

Women of Wandsworth

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W.O.W Parent Forum every Thursday (term time) 5pm -6 pm in Caius House and on every Saturday (term time) from 10 am—12pm in KLS

W.O.W Enterprise and Work Club every last Friday from 11am—1pm in John Morris House

W.O.W Inter-Generational Coffee Morning Twice a month in Haven Lodge

NEXT MONTH:

WoW Trip to Devon

WoW Drama

WoW Karate

WoW Curry

Intergenerational Musical

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Wow Karate



Left: Pharrel Quape and Eduardo Munoz Alvarez



Karate Kids with Karate Master Andrew Beech
Photos: Sandra Munoz Alvarez

Wow Karate classes are the most affordable self-defense classes in Battersea thanks to our funding by Thomas's Schools Foundation. These classes are a very good example of an outdoor activity for children. The only problem is the dog mess everywhere in our parks and green spaces. Wow Mums would

like to use the parks more often for our Tai Chi lessons and other sports activities, but are prevented to do so by the irresponsible dog owners. Schools have their sports days in the parks and a lot of people have picnics on the green, unaware of the feces particles lingering in the grass. Back to indoors!

Big Lunch

Wow Mums provided free cupcake decorating stall as well as very popular free fake tattoos and face painting at the Big Lunch in R.O.S.E community centre in Patmore estate.

Everyone enjoyed the fun workshops and the lovely weather in the garden.

We are looking forward to the Big Picnic in the summer, which will be organised by Wow Mums community Champions Senia Dedic and Gema Gil.



Autism Playmates Needed

I'M FATIMA, AN ADORABLE 5 YEAR OLD GIRL. I HAVE AUTISM AND I AM AWESOME! I'D LOVE FRIENDS TO PLAY WITH, WHO LOVE SINGING, BAKING WITH PLAYDOUGH AND BEING FUNNY AND SILLY. DO YOU WANT TO BE MY FRIEND? ARE YOU FUN, LOVING AND NON-JUDGEMENTAL? DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN MY LIFE? DID YOU KNOW THAT WHEN YOU PLAY WITH ME IN OUR HOME-BASED PLAYROOM YOU CAN HELP ME LEARN MORE SPEECH AND TEACH ME HOW TO SOCIALIZE? I HAVE LEARNT A LOT WITH MY MUM ALREADY.

I CAN SPEAK MORE AND I CAN MAKE FRIENDS TOO. ISN'T THAT GREAT! RAUN KAUFMAN, THE FIRST SON-RISE CHILD, WAS SEVERELY AUTISTIC. HIS PARENTS SET UP THIS PROGRAM FOR HIM AND HE FULLY RECOVERED FROM AUTISM. HE WENT FROM NON-VERBAL TO BEING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SON-RISE PROGRAM AND A GRADUATE OF BROWN UNIVERSITY. IF RAUN CAN DO IT, SO CAN I! HERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT AUTISM AND HOW UNCONDITIONAL LOVE

MAKES MIRACLES HAPPEN. MY MUM BELIEVES I AM ALREADY RECOVERING FROM AUTISM AND I BELIEVE MY MUM!! SO COME AND JOIN OUR FANTASTIC TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS AT OUR SPECIALLY DESIGNED HOME BASED PLAYROOM AND LET THE FUN BEGIN! BRING IT ON! WE ARE BASED IN WANDSWORTH. NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED, AS WE WILL PROVIDE FULL TRAINING. IF YOU WANT TO BE MY NEW FRIEND PLEASE CALL MY MUM MONA ON 07415607546

Rainmakers



Senia and Amanda with a Rainmaker

WoW Mum Senia Dedic attended as a Contact a Family Ambassador the fundraising event at Rainmaker Foundation to meet Mr. Mike Dickson, to raise awareness of disabled children's needs. Rainmakers are philanthropic people who can do the impossible through their investment. They are compared to the chiefs who could make rain

during droughts, hence the name. They help young entrepreneurs, who through team support and inspirational collaboration, make the best effect and become a significant and powerful force for good. 'We make a world of you and me, not a world of you or me.' said Mike Dickson the founder of this very generous Foundation.

Dictionaries for ESOL

President of Rotary Club of Battersea Park donated 30 Illustrated Dictionaries to ESOL families in Katherine Low Settlement to help them learn English. These dictionaries were also given to Year 6 leavers in Chesterton and Christ Church schools as presents.



WoW Intergenerational BBQ



The most popular WoW Mums event every summer is WoW intergenerational BBQ for all residents from 0y—101years. This year we had a special occasion, as WoW Mums have been chosen by the Battersea residents to extend the sheltered accommodation project for Big Local SW11. This was the first event organized with Big Local grant. We had all guests and our surrogate families in Haven Lodge garden singing and dancing with Amazing Elvis together with the Mayor of Wandsworth Cllr Nicola Nardelli.

This was also a very special event for our fundraising team, because SW Rotary Group officially donated their cheque to our WoW Urban Children project and our Chair of WoW Kids, Ishan Feisal has donated his raised funds to WoW Mums. Ishan has invested his Eid Money into Bengali Women's craftworks to support their efforts to employ more women who can revive this talent. Then he sold these magnificent articles at his enterprise stall at his school's summer fair and raised funds for WoW Kids project.



WoW Enterprise

Youth Awards



WoW Enterprise Club stall at Big Local SW11 Jobs Fair was inundated with local residents planning to start a small business, enquiring about the start up process and our experiences with our private enterprises. We had new members joining our club and made new partnerships with other organization there such as Share, Spear and Work Match.

WoW Mums attended the special Young Person of The Year Awards ceremony in Civic Suite last month. The Young Person of the Year Award honours young people in Wandsworth who deserve recognition for their achievement, courage, generous attitudes or ability to overcome

difficult personal circumstance. Wandsworth Young Person of the Year is run by the Trustees and Wandsworth Council with sponsorship from The Keen Group, The Wandsworth Group of Rotary Clubs and Wandsworth Community Safety Trust.



Senia Dedic with Mr. Chris Wyatt and Mrs. Gill de Warren