



# WOW MUMS

## Women of Wandsworth

JANUARY 2016 ISSUE 98

WOWMUMS.COM

**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  
Pennethorne House

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

### **NEXT MONTH:**

**Pancake Day**

**Valentine's Day**

**Chinese New Year**

### **EDITOR:**

**SENIA DEDIC**

## WoW Ice-Skating



Clara and Alicia Fernandes

Ice skating in Streatham was fun and very energetic. Our children, who have never been on ice, after a few tries have found it exhilarating and awesome! Mums enjoyed it as part of their fitness exercise and muscle toner.

The recently refurbished sports centre in Streatham is very nice and our children would like to come back and skate again, but also to watch a hockey match here.



Eduardo and Sandra Munoz

## Business Development

As part of WoW Enterprise Club, WoW Mums have organised a Business Development workshop in Caius House on 27th January 2016, with aim to help train the youth in self employment. It was a very successful event and we have been asked to organise another one very soon.



Sharon Mclean from Business With Excellence organisation with youth and Senia Dedic

# Lumiere Festival



WoW Mums took our children to central London to enjoy the Lumiere festival of lights this month.

The whole central London was bathing in light and luminous colors with lit sculptures. WoW!



WoW Mums and WoW Kids at the Festival

## Tenant awarded at national conference

Senia Dedic, a resident of Falcon estate in Battersea has been recognised for her community work at this year's ARCH conference.

ARCH is an association of councils in England, such as Wandsworth, who manage their own council homes. Their annual conference gives tenants the chance to discuss issues surrounding council housing and what this means for them.

Senia Dedic, secretary of the Falcon Road residents' association, was shortlisted for this year's Tenant of the Year award. The judges were so impressed with her community involvement that they awarded her a Highly Commended Certificate. They said; "We wish to acknowledge Senia's tireless efforts to improve her local community and her work with a broad range of local groups."

Senia has been working alongside the council since 2009, when she helped set up the Falcon Road RA. She founded local group WoW Mums (Women of Wandsworth) which

provides support for people with children and is involved with many other local services and groups.

Micky Gwilliam, chairperson of the residents' group, said: "I would like to add my own enormous gratitude for all she does for the residents of Falcon estate. It is to her credit that next year will mark the 10th anniversary of Falcon estate RA, which is entirely due to her energy and enthusiasm."



Senia receives her award

## Battersea Men in Shed

WoW Mum Sandra Munoz Alvarez attended the Men in Shed meeting in Dimson Lodge this month to help them with media and to design their website. Men have finished building their shed and

are now embarking on a new inter-generational project, which is building a boat. The launch of this project is on 2nd March in Dimson Lodge. WoW Kids and WoW Mums are very happy to take part in this project

to extend our inter-generational efforts with additional benefits to all three generations—to learn how to use tools to build useful things.



# WoW New Year Party



Women of Wandsworth have organised an inter-generational New Year Party in John Kirk Lodge together with the children

From Thames Christian College and other neighbours. The children brought their art equipment and made stencils

with the elderly, while WoW Mums prepared the lunch. This event has been made possible thanks to the grants from

Big Local SW 11, Peoples' Health Trust and WoW Mums' ardent volunteering.



# Gardening in Falcon Estate

Falcon Estate Residents Association is very lucky to have been given three large planters for gardening on their estate, but could not cope with the weeds overtaking the planters. Senia Dedic, Falcon Estate RA Founder and Secretary, found special gardening helpers in

George Shearing Centre, who enjoyed pulling out the weeds and preparing the planters for Magnolias and bulbs.

Next gardening event for residents is in process of being organised in Shepard House garden, with gardening lessons and plants.



Senia, Gemma, Hamza, Thomas, Myrah & Adrian with GSC staff

**WOW MUMS**  
**INTERGENERATIONAL**  
**CELEBRATION OF**  
**CHINESE NEW YEAR**  
**MONDAY,**  
**22nd FEBRUARY 2016**  
**HAVEN LODGE**  
**5PM—7PM**