

Kingsmeadow Community Flat

19 Barrington Close

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Newsletter July 2011



Have a say!!



ARE YOU AGED 10-18 YEARS?

Fancy some free Pizza and refreshments?

Would you like to give your views on drugs and alcohol in South Gloucestershire?

Meet us at the

Includes a chance to win an Ipod shuffle!

Kingsmeadow Community Flat,
19 Barrington Close, BS15 4QD
Thursday 28 July -
6.00pm-8.00pm

Kingsmeadow Reward Away Day



The young people who attended Dreamscheme during the Easter Holidays and earned their points chose a trip to Puxton Park. Twenty-three people went including resident and parent volunteers, along with Frazer, Nicole, Paris, Jess, Steph, Diane and the young people. We had lots of fun on the slides, spent an hour with the birds of prey—the sun shone and we all laughed and enjoyed each other's company. Had a sing song all the way home.



Turn to the next page to find out what's happening next!!!

***'The Rubbish Squad' We miss Chris Ray,
but the rubbish still collects:-***

Residents, we still require your input. Kev Rudd, Knightstone, Housing Officer, Zalika Fenty, Merlin's new Housing Officer, Fay Morgan Guinness Community Investment Officer and South Gloucestershire Council are all prepared to listen to you and ensure that the Estate remains rubbish free.

Come along to our next community Clean Up, Fun Day and Barbecue:

Thursday, August 25th - 10 am start



COFFE MORNING/PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP/TRAINING



We would love to hear from people who would like to attend training courses at the flat and from parents who would enjoy having a small group meet here at the flat to start a new parent and toddler group. We will be organising a coffee morning in the Autumn:

WATCH THIS SPACE!!!

**THE STRONG SAFER—COMMUNITIES AWARD 2011
HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST OF ENGLAND WAS
WON BY KINGSMEADOW COMMUNITY FLAT .**

The award celebrated everyone in South Gloucestershire who has helped tackle Anti-Social Behaviour and kept communities safe. Ceri Naylor, Community Project worker, Diane Block, Chair, and Frazer Parry Jones, a young volunteer, with the backing of the committee were acknowledged for all their hard work. Our success was due to planning and networking with other agencies - Wildways gardening, Rev Andy Mason and his luncheon club, where our young teenagers learned the art of baking mouth watering muffins for the Senior Citizens. Kingswood Library who delivered reading books and a competition challenge. Kevin Rudd from Knightstone who organised the "Rubbish days," Fay Morgan from Guinness who supported Art and Craft activities and arranged for a Mosaic Artist to work with our young people. Enjoy the Mosaic art - it is attached to the Community Flat wall. Every committed group and importantly, our Community Police, and the Fire Brigade are essential to Dreamscheme, building and maintaining mutual trust and respect.



Ceri Naylor is on maternity leave with a beautiful baby boy.

Steph Bengry-Howell is ensuring the Project and its commitment continues.



- What is it?** Dreamscheme is for all 6—16 year olds living within a 3 mile radius of the Flat.
- How does it work?** Get involved in some work that improves the local community or in learning new skills. In exchange you get points for every hour of work you do. You can save up the points to spend on activities or trips of your choice
- How can I get involved?** Sign up for any of the following to collect points. A parent consent form is needed for each activity.

Date	Meet this time....	To do.....	Points
1/8/11	10.30	Wildways: Walk, orienteering/activity, picnic	20
3/8/11	9.30 10.30	Baking Puppet Making/Sports	30 20
5/8/11	tbc	<i>Treat</i>	
8/8/11	1pm	Wildways: Wild & Crafty Parachute Games	20 20
9/8/11	1pm	Wildways: Create with Nature	20
10/8/11	9.30	Baking	30
12/8/11	tbc	<i>Treat</i>	
16/8/11	2.30	Circus Stars: Craft & Stories	20
17/8/11	9.30 10.30 10.30	Baking Working in the Flat Garden Sports	30 20 20
20/8/11	tbc	<i>Fun Day</i>	
22/8/11	10.30 10am	'Come Dine with Us': cooking competition Grimsbury Farm	20 20
23/8/11	10.30 10.30 10.30	'Come Dine with Us': cooking competition Working in the Flat Garden Parachute Games	20 20 20
24/8/11	9.30	Baking	30
25/8/11	10am	Rubbish Day/Barbecue/Fun Day	20

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO UNDERTAKE THE OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES THEN AN ALTERNATIVE INDOOR ACTIVITY WILL BE ARRANGED

Should you wish your child/children to take part in any of the activities, please bring them to the first session at the Community Flat, 19 Barrington Close, at the requested time for the activity they wish to take part in. You will need to fill out a parental consent form. For more information, call: 0117 9048425

Merlin Housing Surgeries

Are you a Merlin tenant?

Do you want to talk, in confidence, about issues that you have on the estate?

Don't want to trek up to the High Street?

Come along to the Flat at **19 Barrington Close**

To talk to Housing Officer, **Zalika Fanty**

Merlin will be holding monthly drop in sessions from September. The first one is on:

7th September, 2011 - 10am to 12 noon

No need to book, just turn up!

Need somewhere to hold your children's party?

The Community Flat is available to rent for children's parties and other special occasions. Speak to us to find out more.



Over 50's Friendship Club

- Where:** We meet at the Haven, Lees Hill opposite the Royal Archer Pub.
- WHEN:** Every **Thursday** 1.15—3.15pm
- WHY:** To meet with other people, take part in armchair exercises and boules.
- COST:** Its free! and a tea or coffee as well!

Phone: Diane Block on **0117 9098275** for further information.

YOUR LOCAL SAFER STRONGER COMMUNITY GROUP NEEDS YOU!!

The next meeting of the Kingswood Group is on Tuesday, **23rd August** at 7pm. Where - **Kingswood Foundation**. These meetings offer you the chance to have your say on key issues effecting your neighbourhood. At the end of each meeting attendees vote for the issues they feel are of the greatest importance and the top three are then actioned.