

News flash

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LIMELIGHT LOCAL ON TOUR!

NEWS of The DREAMERS . Last year a group of young people created a stage show called “Who are we to judge?” which contains a message about the effects of discrimination. The group are now on tour with this production.

They have performed to invited audiences at The Berry Theatre, as well as performing and running a workshop for 180 Year 9 students at Wildern School. In March they are performing at Mountbatten School in Romsey.

We are the proud recipients of a grant from the Big Lottery to support this Theatre in Education project from the autumn 2013 to the summer season.



WAITROSE in Chandlers Ford have made Eastleigh Borough & Romsey MENCAP one of their three chosen charities for their Community Matters appeal in March. If you are shopping in Waitrose please look out for our poster and vote for us with your green tokens. We need your support!

ART CLUB

Are you interested in Art? If so, contact us now, we want to hear from at least 12 people who would like to attend our morning Art Club on a Thursday from May to December.

We ran a really successful Art Course called FLAGSHIP ART which finished this month. If there is enough interest we are willing to run a Thursday morning Art Club from 10.00 to 12.30. This is for people who enjoy art, would like to learn more and improve their skills. Our art tutor teaches in a sensitive way with theory and practice, on the course participants learned about Kandinsky and Hepworth. This is not a simple art and craft club!

If you would like to join, please call me (023 8048 3471). Without 12 interested people we won't run the Club!

DIARY EVENTS

- **April 2 Wednesday 7.30pm** – New performance from the new Limelight Local project at The Berry Theatre in Hedge End. A fabulous show for all the family. Tickets £4 on sale now. This show is not to be missed!
- **June 1 Sunday 2.00-5.00pm** - Longstock Park Water Garden has a charity opening for Eastleigh Borough & Romsey MENCAP. Come along and celebrate better weather with us!

ROYAL MENCAP WILLS & TRUSTS EVENTS:

Thursday 25th September, 6.30pm - 8.30pm Cathedral Discovery Centre, St Edmund House, Edinburgh Road, Portsmouth, PO1 3QA.

This is an event to help carers to think about planning for the future and ensuring that the person they care for is provided for. It is not as simple as making a will or leaving someone the family home, as the person's benefits can be affected by receiving a large sum of money or becoming the owner of a property.

A local solicitor will outline what carers can do to ensure that the person they care for has a secure future. Bookings can be made with Royal MENCAP nearer the time but put this in your diary now if it is relevant to you!

LEGAL AWARENESS SEMINARS at One Community

Care Home Fees - 13th March, 10 - 12noon

Running of Affairs & Court of Protection - 27th March, 10 - 12noon

Trusts - 3rd April – 10 - 12noon

Powers of Attorney - 24th April- 10 - 12noon

Wills & Estates - 8th May, 10 - 12noon

Carers & over 65's = FREE; Voluntary Sector = £2; Others = £5

To book your place or if you have any queries please contact Naomi or Jan
bookings@1community.org.uk Call: 023 8064 1202

HEALTH WALKS

EBR Mencap Society's Walking Group is open to anyone who enjoys walking. Meet at 11.00am for a walk of approximately two miles. Walks are sometimes re-arranged at short notice to avoid flooded areas.

March 8 – Netley Railway station at 11.00.

This is the day of the Eastleigh Friends SPRING FAYRE in St Edmunds Church, Grange Road from 10.00 to 12.30. Why not come along?

March 22 – Manor Farm Country Park. Park in QE2 Activity Centre

Call Helga Baker on 01489 784633 or Kath Rau 023 8026 5426 if the weather is poor, to find out if the walk has been cancelled. Cancellations are rare and regretted.

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