



WELCOME BACK

It has been really lovely seeing everyone back after the Summer break - not quite sure what the weather had in mind this Summer though!!

We are now a couple of weeks into the new term and our new Activity Coordinator Ruth is finding her feet ably assisted by Rachel and myself! I am sure you have all by now met Ruth and are supporting her in sessions.

Numbers of guests returning have been a bit up and down but this is to be expected after the Summer break. The theme for the this term is Leaves and Laughter and all the guests have embraced this and are producing some marvellous work.

We have changed our football sessions from Tuesdays to Thursdays due to Leicester City in the Community now having a Community Day for many of their other projects. It gives our players the opportunity to interact with other groups and there was a buzz around St Margaret's on the first Thursday session. But like most things it will take time to bed in but those who attended really enjoyed it. We also have a new volunteer, Nathan, who has fitted in really well.



Fundraising Quiz



On Wednesday 23rd August Leicester City in the Community hosted a fundraising quiz for SCL. It was a really enjoyable night - although my knowledge of Leicester City was rather limited to say the least!. The total raised was £450.00! A big thank you to Matt and his team for organising this.



Volunteer Training & Thank You Lunch



Just a reminder that our Volunteer Training and Thank You Lunch will be held on Tuesday 28th November 2023 at St Martins House Conference Centre from 1pm-3pm. If you have not already confirmed your attendance could you let Maria know so that we have accurate catering numbers.



Do you know anyone??.

Do you know of anyone with a heart for creating positive change to join our close-knit team as Chair of Trustees and help lead SoundCafe Leicester towards a brighter future!

A CHAIR OF TRUSTEES

We are also looking for new trustees to join the board too. If you might know someone please point them in our direction.





New initiative

Leicester Homeless Charter have launched a new map of the primary providers of homeless support across the city. They also have a complete directory on their website which includes SCL under the Day Service Provision.



Fundraising Concert

Make a note in your diaries as The Cantamici Choir will be holding a fundraising concert for SCL on **SATURDAY 9TH MARCH 2024** at St Mary de Castro Church from 7.30pm. Thank you to Susan Rees for her support with this event



More dates for your diary:

- Monday 4th December 2023 - Christmas Open Choir Rehearsal



- Thursday 7th December 2023 - festive football match between SoundCafe Foxes and Falcon Support Services.



- Wednesday 20th December 2023 - Guest Christmas Party.

Donation requests:



AUTUMN REFRESH



DONATIONS NEEDED FOR OUR CAFE SESSIONS SUPPORTING THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS

What We Need:	You can drop off your donations at:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Boxes of Cup-a-Soups	St Mary de Castro Church
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jars of Hot Chocolate	Castle View
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Packets of Biscuits	Leicester
	LE15WH
	Mondays & Wednesdays from 12.30pm-3.00pm

For More Information Please Call: Maria: 07852835145



Christmas Donation

Can you help with donations for our Guest Christmas Party?

What we need:

-  Toiletries such as deodorant, shampoos, tooth paste etc.
-  Cup-a-soups and other non-perishable goods
-  Festive Chocolates/Biscuits
-  Gloves & Hats



SCL providing safe spaces for those who are homeless and have experienced homelessness.

Dates for your diary

SCL Re-opens	Monday 4th September 2023 - Choir
October Half-Term	Monday 16th- Friday 20th October 2023
Christmas	Wednesday 20th December - last session Re-opens Monday 8th January 2024
Spring Half-Term	Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February 2024
Easter	Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April 2024
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May 2024
Summer Half-Term	Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024



If you have any stories/ideas you would like to share in September's edition please let Maria know. This is after all your newsletter plus you would be helping Maria out when her creative juices starting drying up!!