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## Your Tenants and Residents Association

## Halloween Party for under 11 year olds

Saturday 29th October 2016 5 – 7 pm at the Hall, 210 Jamaica Road, SE16 4TR

Fancy dress optional Fun, food and drink – all included A Witch will be there to entertain the children

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Tickets only £1 per person - in advance only (numbers limited) To book, phone or text Sheila: 07906 860 979

#### Our day trip to Margate

A brilliant August day out.

The coach was full with 29 children and 19 adults. The journey was easy, the sun shone all day, the beach looked beautiful.

Kids enjoyed their free funfair rides, adults visited the art gallery and shell grotto, and a good time was had by all!



## Pre-School coming to the Hall?

Bright Kiddies Pre-School is hoping to run a preschool at our hall. Monday - Friday, term time only. Subject to Southwark Council and OFSTED approval. Free funding entitlement available for 2-4 year olds. For further information, contact Stella: 07988-674 402 Welcome to Katie!

In the Spring we advertised for someone to help with running our hall. We were delighted to find wonderful Katie Nathan, an efficient, enthusiastic Assistant Hall Manager. Thanks to Katie for everything done so far, including Halloween Party arrangements.



Starting on Tuesday 8th November

We are starting **bingo** sessions at the Hall, just once a month at first. The organiser is Nelson Londono Marin, assisted by neighbours from the Dickens Estate who run weekly sessions at Wade Hall. Do come along and join the fun! Arrive 7pm to start at 7.30pm. Finishing at 9pm. Cash prizes!



### Save the date!

Future TRA Meetings: These will be held on Mondays, 7.30pm, at the Hall, 210 Jamaica Road, SE16 4TR. Dates so far: 24<sup>th</sup> October and 28<sup>th</sup> November. Anyone can attend, even if you aren't a Committee Member.

## Hall Activities

**Tai Chi and Qi Gong** David Green, our TRA Treasurer, writes: "For those who think that Tai Chi is all about waving hands around slowly, think again. It's also a martial art as well as an exercise to promote health and well-being. There's a great class currently running on Thursday evening from 7-8pm; followed by an hour of Qi Gong - a form of breathing exercises that is the basis of Tai Chi. It's amazing how quickly the time goes." The teacher, Toby, is from the Mei Quan Tai Chi Academy. The class covers the basics and is very welcoming for people of all levels from beginner upwards. *Special rates for local residents on request.* www.taichinews.com

**Latest excuse for a party?** These days our hall is hosting more and more Baby Showers. This concept originated in the USA, when a few female friends got together at the home of the mother-to-be, bringing gifts for the baby. Now it seems to be a full-scale party with adults playing strange games related to baby food and nappies!

**Swing Dancing - have a go free-of-charge!** We have some *Swing Patrol* vouchers offering residents 3 free beginners classes. Wednesdays 7pm, at the Hall. Like to try it out? Text your name and address to Sheila (07906-860979) and she'll pop a voucher in your door. Social dancing, no partner needed. www.swingpatrol.co.uk

**Update on our Hall** It's a year since our old TRA hall was re-opened. We changed its name to *Cherry Garden Hall*, and local artist, Adrian Knowles, has designed a redecoration of the exterior. Once the council has found funds to do the work, the sign saying 'Millpond' will be replaced.

## **Brighten up Bermondsey!**

Come and join our new local community Gardening Group, led by experienced gardener, Carol Dawson.

Starting on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November, with a drop-in session at the hall for adults and children, 1 – 4 pm.

We have 2 activities – with all materials provided free-ofcharge:

- Plant an indoor hyacinth bulb pot for your own home.
- Make a bug box / insect house to put up in your garden or around the area.

Come along and share ideas on how to improve the flower beds & balcony planters in our area with more colourful, interesting plants, and learn all about gardening. [Children must be accompanied by an adult]

**Pantomime!** Peter Pan - Greenwich Theatre, Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 5pm. Free for local children plus 1 adult per family (usual prices £14 & £28). Details to follow.

# Armistice Day at West Lane

## Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November

The annual service to commemorate the ending of World War 1 will be held at the war memorial in West Lane at 11am. Afterwards, everyone is invited by the Mayor of Southwark to refreshments in our Hall, just across the road. Do come along, if you are free that morning.



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