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October 19th 2009 was a huge day for Shildon, even more important for us young people!

The Shildon Youth Council was the result of many months' hard work from the Council, youth groups and volunteers; whose

hard work paid off when the Youth Councillors (all 14 of them) took part in their first ever development day.

The "Development Day" involved the Youth Council receiving some training from Youth Development worker,

Carolyn Cluer, where they learnt how to campaign around town.

In the afternoon, they went on a trip to "Laser Wars," in the middle of nowhere near Durham, where they fought it out in a number of games (which were safe

until you fell over!).

They'll tell you it was for fun, but the main reason was to get the Youth Councillors to know each other better, so they can start working on projects that you'll see, hear of, and be part of in the next few months.

A Youth Council spokesperson told us, "Laser Wars was great fun, but it wasn't just about that. We found out that we're all nice people and are ready

to start working as soon as we can."

Right now, they're working on talking with the Police and Town Council to see what they can do, either by themselves (campaigning) or working with the above to reduce the amount of anti-social behaviour in Hackworth Park (especially at night, such as drinking & lighting fires).

If you have any suggestions, let them know at...

yc@shildonyouth.co.uk



Shildon's Grand Christmas Procession

@ 4.15pm Netto Car Park, Dec. 4th

You can start the evening with a sparkle at the Christmas Procession to the Town Square, which will be led by Santa, for the Official Lighting of the Christmas

Christmas Tree ceremony and Christmas carols from the St. John's School Choir.

Kids can come dressed as any Christmas character to make this a sparkling Christmas '09.

Free Christmas Craft Fayre

@ 3-7pm, Dec. 4th

Then why not come along to the Christmas Crafts Fayre for glittery ideas and gifts for your loved ones?

All proceeds are donated to Butterwick Hopsice.

Free Family Fun Day

@ 5pm, Dec. 4th

And don't forget, Santa claus is coming to town!

He's visiting Shildon Civic Hall for one night only.

From 5pm, you can meet Santa, boogie at the disco, get arty

with face painting, ride the spinning saucers and much more.

Refreshments will be available at the Civic Hall.

Happy Holidays everyone!

Meet the Youth Councillor

Hi, let me introduce myself, I am Bethany Ridley, a member of the new Shildon Youth Council.

On the 7th of November all of the people who had been elected for the Council, met in the Council offices.

When everybody had arrived, we discussed an issue to do with the local park in Shildon. We then went into groups and talked about this problem further.

We wrote down notes and thought carefully, and then we had something to eat.

In the afternoon we went on a trip to Laser Wars in Durham.

When we arrived, we sat down and a man explained what you had to do. We had to wear camouflage suits and a cap, which had red lights on. These were linked to our safe guns we had with a laser in.

When we had ran out of lives (you started with ten in each game) the lights on your cap would flash and other people would know not to shoot you.

The day was absolutely fantastic!

Thank you to Tracey and Carolyn, who organised it and took us on the trip. Without them, we could not have gone on this trip and had great fun.

Reports of Fires

Hackworth Park

It has been brought to the attention of Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service that there has been a series of secondary fires occurring within the grounds of Hackworth Park, Shildon.

Arson (including deliberately setting fire with the intent to cause damage) is a crime and is a very serious offence which may result in a:

Maximum punishment of a life sentence!

Community Safety Officer Ann Hazel for the Fire Service emphasises not to get involved with such incidents and says it is best to walk away from those who are causing such nuisances within our communities.

For further information you can call Ann on 07785510980.

Get some exercise done in the

Sainsburys Sports Relief Mile

Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre will be hosting the Sport Relief Mile event on Sunday 21st March at Stadium 2000.

As well as the main event there will be events for schools and pre-schools on Friday 19th March and events for clubs and groups on Saturday

20th March.

So why not get inventive and make your event one to remember?

If your school/club or group would like to be part of an event please register by emailing stuart.dunn@durham.gov.uk, or call the Leisure Centre on 01388

777340.

The main event on Sunday 21st will start at 10.30am you can complete a mile, three miles or six miles; it's up to you! You could come in fancy dress?

The event is open to all ages and abilities, you can register at this website:

www.sportrelief.com

Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre's

Friday Night Project

After much anticipation the Friday Night Project finally arrived at Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre, and Friday 13th was definitely not unlucky for the 50 young people who came along to the special launch!

There was a range of activities to enjoy the main event being a Rodeo Bull and Sumo Wrestling suits which the young people were queuing up to

have a go on.

There was football coaching from Durham County Councils Sports Coach, which proved very popular, as did Sing Star, and we even found ourselves a new Guitar Hero!

The weekly sessions are open to all young people aged 13 to 19, every Friday 6pm – 8pm and it costs 20p to attend.

There are many

events planned over the next few months including a Christmas Party, trips away to Rock Antics at Newton Aycliffe, and a pool party at Spenny-moor Leisure Centre. Dance, Theatre and Sports Coaching are all activities coming in the future.


For more information, please contact the Leisure Centre on this number: 01388 777340.

CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE aged 13 to 19!

Come along to **The Friday Night Project** at Shildon-Sunnydale Leisure Centre. **Every Friday night 6.00pm to 8.00pm**

You can choose from a wide range of activities to enjoy, this includes DJ workshops, games consoles, sports coaching, arts and dance as well as advice for healthy lifestyles and well being. There will also be trips to other venues and special events.

For more details contact Shildon-Sunnydale Leisure Centre 01388 777340 or Caroline Stephens, Youth Development Officer 01388 816166



"The Tearaways" present... A Beast of a Show

It's pantomime season, and 'The Tearaways Youth Theatre Group,' have chosen to perform Beauty and the Beast as this years show.

Oh Yes We Have
You all want to come along and see it, it's going to be really, really funny...

Oh Yes It Is
...Loads of music, dancing and loads of laughs, we promise

you.
Shows are from Thursday, 21st January to Sunday, 24th January, at the Civic Hall, Shildon.

Tickets £4 Adults and £2-50 Children/Concessions.

The Tearaways were very busy in the lead-up to Christmas, entertaining all over Shildon.

Friday 11th December, Jubilee Fields

Community Centre, Christmas Carols.

Tuesday 22nd December, Rose Lodge Care Home, Newton Aycliffe.

If you don't see the Tearaways at any of their shows, they would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and thank everyone for supporting their shows this year.

Shildon Youth Group's New C. Card Services for 13+

Due to funding restrictions local chemists are no longer providing free condoms, so the Shildon Youth Group are now providing emergency Young People's Health Drop-in.

From Monday November 30th, there will be a young

people's health drop-in, providing the C.Card scheme, contraception, pregnancy, screening and support.

This will run every weekday from 3.30-4pm at Shildon Health clinic next to the library.

C. Card is also available at the youth

club in the Shildon People's Centre on Tuesday's & Thursday's from 6-8pm and on Wednesday's and Friday's at the youth club in the Leisure Centre from 6-8pm.

These services are completely confidential, but you must be over 13 years old to access any of them.

Sticky Fingers - 4-9yrs

Sticky Fingers is the newest toddler play group set up by Shildon Methodist Church. Sticky Fingers is a great way for parents and toddlers to bond and learn together.

Sticky Fingers is hosting a Shepherds and Angels themed evening on December

4th at 4.30-6pm in Shildon Methodist Church Hall. After a short break, the group will resume with a messy evening of activities on the theme of 'Gifts for the King' on January 8th, also at 4.30-6pm.

Families, are welcome to attend and are encouraged

to dress up to celebrate the themes. Shepherds and Angels for the event in December. Both events will cost £1 per child, children under four must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

For more information, contact, Emma on 01388 772829.

C.A.T.S deserve the cream

The C.A.T.S. (Childrens Amateur Theatre Shildon) are well into rehearsals for their latest production "The Disney Show."

The show has got loads of your favorite disney songs and dances in too!

Although the show won't be on un-

til March 2010, the group is looking for more young members aged 8 to 11 years old who like to sing, dance and/or act to join them for their next production.

To find out more, call (or get your parents to) us on 07747826324.

Young People's Café

Are you in year 6 or 7, and want a safe, fun place to go to? Then come along to Shildon Methodist Church Hall from 5-6pm on Wednesday's November 18th, December 2nd & 16th.

Come along socialise, play games, relax, have fun, share in debate, worship and tasty healthy snacks.

Activities will include table tennis, snooker,

board games, arts & crafts.

All young people will need the consent of a parent/guardian to attend.

Please contact James 07735995403 or Emma 01388-772898. Cost 50p per child plus Cafe costs (suggest 50p).

2010 Young People's Cafe will start on January 13th from 6-7.30pm meeting on a fortnightly basis.

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what's on

calendar



December

- 3** 10.30 - 11.30am **Fairy Queen Storytime**
Sid Chaplin Branch Library, 3 - 4 yrs
- 4** 4.15pm **Christmas Procession**
Netto Car Park, dressing up is optional!
FREE family entertainment, Shildon Civic Hall from 5pm
- 3 - 7pm** **Christmas Craft Fayre**
@ Shildon Civic Hall, supporting Butterwick Hospice
- 6 - 8pm** **Friday Night Project**
Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre, 20p, 13-19yrs
- 11** 4.15pm **Friday Night Project**
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- 18** 4.15pm **Friday Night Project**
Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre, 20p, 13-19yrs
- 22** 10.30am-1pm **Santa's in the Town Square**
Come along to meet Santa in person!
- 25** **Can't remember?**
It's Christmas Day, silly!

January

- 21 - 24** **Beauty and the Beast Panto**
@ the Shildon Civic Hall, by the Tearaways Youth Theatre Group.



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Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre

Arts Zone Christmas Party for Under 5's

Monday 21st December 1-3pm

Arts activities for parents and children to enjoy together with a visit from Santa 1-3 pm.

£1, please book on 777340

Junior Christmas Party

Tuesday 22nd December 1-3pm

8 - 12 yrs.

£1, please book on 777340

Methodist Church Christmas Services

Family Christingle

Christmas Eve @ 4:00pm

Family Celebration

Christmas Day @ 10:00am

get listed

You can get your own events listed on this page, which is sent to every home in Shildon, FREE.

To get listed, simply e-mail us through our website snazzy website:

shildonyouth.co.uk

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