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SUTCLIFFE PARK SPORTS CENTRE OPENS- 10TH FEB

On Saturday 10th February Sutcliffe Park Sports Centre, managed by Better, will officially open to the public.

Residents from across the borough will be able to take advantage of free activities from 11am to 3pm and competitions in the Skatepark and 'Clip and Climb'. The soft play area will also be free along with athletics taster sessions.

In readiness for the official opening more than 500 Royal Borough of Greenwich residents, young and old made a healthy start to the New Year when they attended the 'soft' opening of the centre on Tuesday 2nd January.

On the day, visitors were able to take advantage of free taster sessions at the state-of-the-art facility, which features an outdoor athletics track.

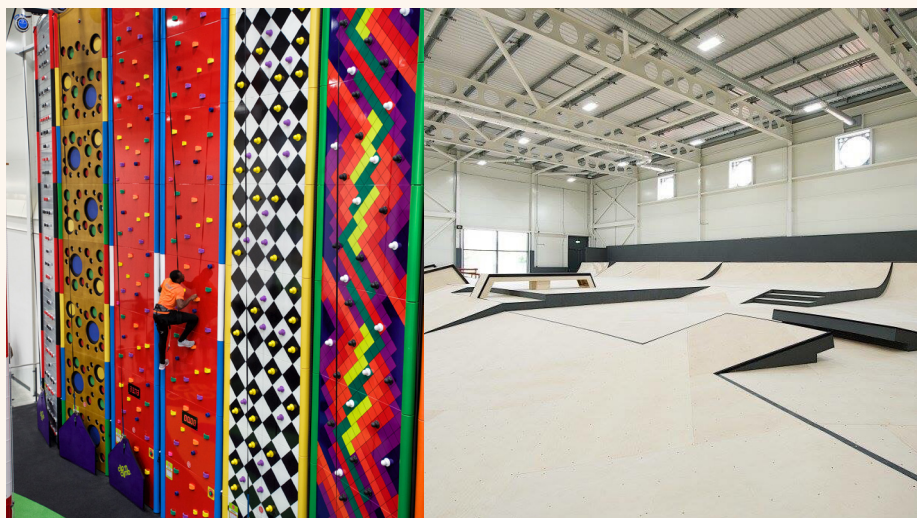
Activities like the indoor BMX / Skatepark and 'Clip and Climb' climbing walls, proved to be very popular, whilst the indoor sprint track will enable athletes to train all year round.

Councillor Denise Scott McDonald, Cabinet Member for Culture, Creative Industries and Community Well Being, was present at the 'soft opening' and said:

"This opening represents a major investment in sports provision in the Royal Borough of Greenwich especially for the south of the borough. I am delighted that so many residents turned out to enjoy the facilities at the very start of 2018."

For more information please visit:

@SutcliffeParkSportsCentre on Facebook
or visit www.better.org.uk



CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE CENTRE

Over 500 residents came together to enjoy the annual Berkeley Homes Christmas event in The Village Centre on Saturday 25th November.

Pictures and a video of the event can be found on the Kidbrooke Village Community Facebook page and on Twitter @_Kidbrooke.



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If you are looking to get fit and raise money for charity then Demelza



Childrens Hospice Charity bike ride could be for you.

Starting on the 2nd May this five day adventure will see you cycle 307 miles from Sittingbourne to Paris and in turn raise money for this incredible charity.

For more information visit www.demelza.org.uk/support.us.

FARMERS' MARKET TO RETURN

The Kidbrooke Village Farmers Market will be returning to The Village Centre on Saturday 3rd March and will be open from 10am to 3pm.

A number of stall holders have already confirmed their attendance and will give residents the chance to buy high quality

LOCAL SCHOOLS ENJOY FREE ICE SKATING

Over 600 children from five schools in the Royal Borough of Greenwich benefitted from free ice skating courtesy of Berkeley Homes.

Holy Family and Wingfield Primary School were two of the schools from Kidbrooke who took up the offer.

Ross Silcock, Headteacher at Wingfield Primary School said: "We would like to thank Berkeley Homes for thinking of schools like us and enabling the children to enjoy this activity for free, especially during the festive period."



TREES FOR CITIES PLANTING DAY

Over 100 volunteers descended on Sutcliffe Park on Saturday 13th January to finish planting the remaining trees and hedging.

Live music and a ready supply of hot drinks and lunch ensured energy levels remained high for an energy sapping event.

Julia Grollman, Secretary for Friends of

Sutcliffe Park said: "FOSP is pleased to announce the culmination of an 18 month campaign to plant trees in Sutcliffe Park. Our successful partnership with charity Trees for Cities was generously funded by two local wards (Eltham West and Middle Park & Sutcliffe) and local developer Berkeley Homes, plus fundraising by TfC.



"Two successful community planting days (4th November 2017 and 13th January 2018) means that Sutcliffe Park now has 58 new trees and 200 metres of hedging along Eltham Road. In addition, tree will benefit from three years of aftercare by TfC, and the park will get a tree trail too."



artisan produce like bread, meat, sweets, savoury goods and fruit and vegetables just minutes from their door.

In order to ensure we can attract high quality traders your attendance and support at these markets is vital.

If you would like to become part of the events forum please email us on: kaya.hinds@berkeleygroup.co.uk



MEET CAROLINA

Carolina Correia, is the new Community Development Specialist for Kidbrooke Village. Born in Brazil and raised in Portugal, she has lived in London for 10 years and always carried a passion for bringing people together. Carolina is now very excited to be working with the community here at Kidbrooke Village.

What does your job as Community Specialist involve?

The aim for my job is to help develop a cohesive community where people feel like they belong, are informed and empowered to make a difference in their area. I will be working with our partners and all residents to plan for the future of the community, way after the redevelopment is completed.

Who are you looking to engage with here in Kidbrooke Village?

Everyone! I think the key here is to promote unity within the community - independent from where you come from or what you do. I represent all residents and support all groups that work in the area.

Who have you met already and what are your initial impressions of the community?

I had the pleasure of attending the



Carolina Correia (centre) speaking with volunteers

Christmas event and met quite a lot of families. I have also dropped by some of the resident meetings and introduced my role to most community groups in the area.

I am very pleased to see great initiatives happening in the schools and other community spaces and think there is great potential for more to happen in this area as well.

How do you see this community developing over the coming years?

Kidbrooke Village is very unique, especially because of all the green space we have here. Using this space for the benefit of the community is something I am very keen on doing to ultimately build a happy, resilient and sustainable community.

What are you passionate about in your personal life?

I am a big sustainability fan and enjoy

experimenting with new ideas and habits that can improve my health, the environment and save money as well. I also love my dog and love walking with him on weekends.

How do your personal interests overlap with your professional ones?

I truly believe that a sustainable community is a happy community, so I tend to organise a lot of projects that have a green element to it. Plus if it improves health and saves money, why not?

How can people contact you?

I am based in the Information Centre at The Village Centre, so just drop by and grab a coffee with me.

You can contact me on **07825**

865061 or you can email me via

Carolina.Correia@berkeleygroup.co.uk.

URBAN HOUSE WINS AWARD

Just weeks after our last newsletter went out, Berkeley Homes were pleased to be awarded the 'Innovative Living Award' at the Sunday Times British Homes Awards for Kidbrooke Village's Urban Houses on Weigall Road.

This prestigious award focussed on properties that have been designed and built with 21st Century needs in mind.

Karl Whiteman, Divisional Managing Director for Berkeley Homes said: "We are very pleased to have won this award as we are the first large housebuilder to deliver a patented

new housing typology. We have spent over 10 years looking at a way to improve the way we can build properties and we are pleased the judges share our vision in the Urban House too."



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUTCLIFFE PARK SPORTS CENTRE OFFICIAL OPENING

Attend the official opening of the sports centre and take advantage of the free sessions on offer, such as the skatepark, clip and climb, softplay and athletics.

Date: 10 February

Time: 11am - 3pm

Address: Eltham Road, SE9 5LW

Cost: Free. Visit www.better.co.uk for more details

DINOSAURS IN THE WILD

Depart the 21st century and be transported back to the late Cretaceous period. See living dinosaurs such as Tyrannosaurus, Alamosaurus and Triceratops with your own eyes

Date: 10 February - 31 July 2018

Address: Greenwich Peninsula, Greenwich, Greater London

Time: 10am - 4.30pm

Cost: Vist - www.dinosaursinthewild.com

GREENWICH MARKET PANCAKE RACE

Take part in the annual pancake race and win a medal. All participants will get a free pancake.

Date: 10 February

Time: 12pm - 1pm

Address: Greenwich Market, SE10 9HZ

Cost: Free. Contact anna@grenhosp.org.uk to book your space.

MAKE IT GO! AT CUTTY SARK

A racing themed arts and design experience where you can try out your design ideas and race your vehicles beneath the hull of the world's most magnificent sailing ship, Cutty Sark.

Date: 12 -17 February

Address: Cutty Sark, King William Walk, Greenwich, London, SE10 9HT

Time: 11:30am - 4:00pm

Cost: Adult £11.50, Child aged 4-15 £5.95, U4 - free



BLACKHEATH RUGBY CLUB

Blackheath Rugby Club host Esher at Well Hall

Date: 17 February

Time: 3pm Kick off

Location: Well Hall, 25 Kidbrooke Lane, London SE9 6TE

Cost: Adults £15, 16-18 - £5, U16's - free



KIDBROOKE VILLAGE FARMERS' MARKET

Selection of artisan stalls selling produce to be eaten on the day or taken home.

Date: First Saturday of every month from March

Time: 10am - 3pm

Location: Kidbrooke Village Centre



SOCIAL MEDIA



If you are looking to keep up to date with what is taking place in and around Kidbrooke Village then why not check out some of the social media pages you could be following below:-

The 'Kidbrooke Village Community' Facebook page is a great way for residents and people living in Kidbrooke Village to learn about the latest events taking place in the area and share news with fellow residents.

@_Kidbrooke on Twitter has been running for just over a year now and is another way for residents to keep abreast of what is happening in the area.



Blackheath Rugby Club fans can keep up to date by searching Blackheath Rugby Club on Facebook or by following @Blackheath_1858 on Twitter. With regular updates about fixtures and live game updates.



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