


Newsletter: February 2012

Welcome to our page of the Academy Newsletter! We recently held our first meeting of the new year and were pleased to welcome some new Friends to the FOAC. Now that Christmas is well and truly over and the nights are starting to get slightly longer, some of you out there might be thinking: "wish I'd joined the FOAC" ☺. Just to put your mind at rest - it's never too late, you can come along to any of our meetings, at any time; or you can simply click away on your ipad, iphone or smart thingy from the comfort of your own home. We respond to armchair views too! However, If you simply want to find out what we're up to . . .

You can keep up to date with us by:

- Following us on  twitter at www.twitter.com/OasisCoulsdon - our first stop for instant messaging
- Checking out our Diary Of Events on the Academy website
- Emailing us on foac@oasiscoulsdon.org
- Downloading our Meeting Minutes from the Academy website

And this is what we're planning for you this year . . .

Diamond Jubilee Stakes Race Night 10th March 7.30pm at the Academy, £10 per person, including hand finished pie & mash: the FOAC is proud to support the Old Coulsdon Diamond Jubilee Celebrations team and will be assisting at the Race Night. All funds from this event will be used to create an amazing day out for the whole community in June. Email us for further details and to book your tickets.

Quiz Night 23rd March 7pm at the Academy, £7.50 per person, including traditional fish & chip supper: and it's back . . . the most popular event of our calendar!! Pit your wits against some of the Academy's finest minds and join us for our annual Quiz Night, featuring Rev. Malcolm Newman as our guest Quiz Master and a veritable feast of a fish supper supplied by the award winning Danny's. Last year our Quiz was heavily oversubscribed with over 20 teams competing for the ultimate accolade of being crowned Oasis Champions, so beat the rush and submit your form quick! It is available to download on the Academy website now. You can either make up a team or we can make one up for you. Just remember: your team form needs to be submitted by 16th March.

Car Boot Sale 28th April, £10 per car or £12 per van: we will be holding our first car boot sale of the year in April. We will be advertising the sale widely in the local press, so start clearing your home of clutter now. Booking arrangements will be available after the half term break.

Summer Extravaganza 23rd June: we are starting to consider plans for a day to be enjoyed by all students and their families. So put the date in your diary and watch this space.

Village Fair in July, Grange Park, Old Coulsdon: last year we had a truly amazing day at this highly regarded local event, selling 1200 Krispy Kreme donuts and mouth-watering home-made fruity pots at the Fair and we will be hosting a stall again this July. We will be putting our thinking caps on to try and top this idea, so any suggestions from parents or students would be very welcome.

Matched Funding: do any of you work for a bank or financial institution? Many banks provide matched funding to their employees if they volunteer a SMALL amount of time to help at an event. We raised a massive £2,500 last year from matched funding from companies keen to support their staff. Please do make enquiries on our behalf.

You are represented by:-

Brunel: Reena Ramus, Sam Smith, Henrietta Westergaard-Belcher, Tracey Jeal, Tracy Lavelle, Karen Steele, Lynne Dunham **Da Vinci:** Sue Buckingham, Kate Taylor, Dawn Lockyer, Graham Day, Shirley North, Paul Laing **Curie:** Jacky Vasili, Claire & Russell Taylor **Luther King:** Jackie Hann, Clare Howe, Alison Fitzwalter **Y11:** Jan Boothby **Independents:** David Millar, Mark Pelling, Marion Jones, Bob Lund

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 23rd February at 7pm in the Diner at the Academy.