

E Newsletter from Faiths4Change



Enabling faith based and local communities to engage in environmental and social action that sustainably transforms their neighbourhoods

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The Chief Associate Project Manager writes

Hello again & welcome to our midsummer edition. Faiths4Change is approaching its first birthday as an independent organization on 1st July 2011 although we began in 2004 as an initiative of the Diocese of Liverpool. We are most grateful for the support the Diocese continues to give us, not least with an office in St James' House. A big thank you to Building Bridges Burnley for their continued support; providing us with our office in Burnley and always welcoming us!



We are currently developing an exciting new project in Burnley supported by United Utilities; consulting with mosque groups to develop a water use reduction programme. I'm really pleased to share that we've had sign ups with [Ecotricity](#) by individuals and places of worship - thank you! Please consider getting a [quote](#) the price is matched to the main energy suppliers so won't cost you more. It's a great help to us - we are using the income to purchase sustainability kits for parent toddler groups.

[Contact Annie](#)

Welcome to our latest e newsletter. You can [unsubscribe](#) from here. We are keen to keep in touch with people but are aware that not everyone has access to the internet. Please feel free to pass on any information from our newsletter to others who may be interested.

Comments and views expressed are not necessarily the views of Faiths4Change but the views of the individual.

Upcoming events

22nd June 2011 – Eco Schools Healthy Schools Event – Bolton Arena

See [Eco Schools Website](#)

22nd June 2011 10am – 4pm - 'Look Beyond the Label' the Contemporary Urban Centre (CUC), 41 Greenland Street, Liverpool L1 0BS The British Red Cross will be celebrating Refugee Week in Liverpool by hosting a North West regional conference. The theme of the event is **Celebrating 60 years of positive contribution made by refugees in the UK**, after the signing of the 1951 UN Refugee Convention. For more information visit the [Red Cross website](#)

Health& Wellbeing Workshops for Parent and Toddler Groups

21st June and 6th July 2011 10 - 11.30am - Christ Church Pennington

23rd June and 7th July 2011 1 - 3pm - St Paul's Church Hall, St Paul Ave Wigan WN3 5HL

24th June 2011 4.30 - 7pm join us (The Red Cross) at our UniTEA session - Mello Mello Jazz Cafe, Slater Street, Liverpool for tea/coffee, cake and light entertainment from spoken word artists Sara Mikal Yekutieli and Yusra Warsame. Enjoy a small dance performance from a South East Asian dance duo, Priyanga and Piriyaasha, and music from 'oud player' Anwar Ismail, from Kenya-Somalia. Artist Haleh Shahidipour will put paintings up for auction - proceeds will provide emergency provisions for refugees and asylum seekers. No need to book.

25th June 2011 – St Gabriel's CE Church, Huyton Apple Centre Gala Day

(Faiths4Change attending Event - Contact Jane or Heather – Apple Centre 0151 489 4120)

2nd July 2011 St Bartholomew's CE Church, Roby, Summer Fair

(Faiths4Change attending Event - Contact Heather – Apple Centre 0151 489 4120)

Health & Wellbeing Workshop in Schools

27th July 2011 9am – 1pm - Tauheedul Islam School, 31 Bicknell Street Blackburn, Lancashire BB1 7EY

.....more details plus other events on our [website](#)

Out and about with our Associate Project Managers

Burnley

Associate Project Manager Work in Wigan



This month has been great fun - delivering informal workshops with Parent and Toddler groups in Christ Church, Pennington. More than 25 children, accompanied by parents, attended workshops and participated in growing herbs, vegetables and flowers. Parents particularly were interested in the information on waste and recycling and were able to take some water saving devices. I am looking forward to work with similar groups St Paul's Church and Bramble House Playmates in Worsley Hall. If your group can benefit from our assistance, please feel free to contact me.

I am also planning a health event at Deplish Community Centre for refugee and asylum seeker groups. Please come forward if you would like to be involved as a volunteer or as an organisation.

[Contact Samia](#)

Merseyside

Associate Project Manager



School Food Growing Programme/Faith Gardens. I continue to work with schools through the Liverpool Diocese and am confirming further project planning and workshop support for schools during this summer.

I will be conducting a Seed Planting Workshop with Woodfall Primary School, Little Neston, Wirral on Tuesday 28th June 2011

Following on from a presentation to Archdiocese Schools Representatives on 29th March 2011, I have received much interest from schools and am in the process of undertaking project planning and workshop delivery sessions at schools which commenced at the end of April.

I have recently worked with Blessed Sacrament RC Junior School and St Robert Bellarmine RC Primary School in delivering Faith Garden workshops.

Earlier this month, I presented opportunities to teaching staff at St Michael's RC Primary School.

Any further details on the services Faiths4Change provides, please contact me for our new leaflet and a discussion on how we can support your school.

Love Food Hate Waste I'm currently working with Merseyside Waste Disposal Authority (MWDA) in evaluating the recently conducted Love Food Hate Waste "Train the Trainer" workshops and feedback sessions.

We supported MWDA at the Southport Food and Drink Festival on 15th May on the Love Food Hate Waste Awareness Road-Show – gauging awareness and seeking views on campaign effectiveness.

Thanks need to go to Jamie's Italian, Liverpool One for providing vouchers to support our Love Food Hate Waste questionnaire evaluation process.

Church and Community Programme - Leigh and Wigan I've been working alongside Samia in delivering further Eco-Parents Workshops in faith communities in Wigan – workshops have taken place at Christ Church, Leigh during May 2011 and further workshops are to take place in June and July 2011.

Knowsley Council Green Fayre Earlier this month, I represented Faiths4Change at the Green Fayre

highlighting our service provision, it was a good day with much interest being shown in us. Thanks to Lesley and Kirsty from Knowsley Council.

Liverpool Anglican Cathedral “Blitz” 70th Anniversary Event During the above event in May, I conducted 2 day seed planting workshops with schools as part of the “Dig for Victory” theme. These were enjoyable sessions and I’ve had positive feedback from schools. Thanks to Sarah from Liverpool Cathedral for all of her support.

[Contact Calvin](#)

Food Officer, Merseyside



20th - 26th June is Refugee Week and Asylum Link’s 10th Birthday. So, we are busy with awareness raising and party cooking.

On the 23rd June at St Ann’s School, Overbury St, Liverpool, we are showing the Asylum Link Destitution Roadshow. To raise awareness among the children of different peoples cultures, there will be cultural ‘tables’ from various countries along with artefacts to illustrate what people have left behind. A Liverpool ‘table’ is also in preparation - what would you include?

‘Flying Free’ is a collection of poems written by asylum seekers during bread making sessions at the Bread Church. Its been funded by LCVS and collated by Faiths4Change, Asylum Link Merseyside and the Methodist Somewhere Else ‘Bread Church’ in Bold St, Liverpool. I hope to include a poem from it in our next newsletter.

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