#### York Racial Equality Network Issue 3, July 2023

# Project

We enjoy to come together every Wednesday to Connect, Share and Chat. All are

welcome to join us at Hungate Reading Room Café, Ground Floor, Bellerby Court 12.30pm-2.30pm.



Each week we talk about different celebrations, festivals and topics based on equality. We have some lovely volunteers that work with us to best a selection of fun crafts, quiz's and

work with us to host a selection of fun crafts, quiz's and talks for all to get involved with. This month we have covered: Cultural Diversity Day, Pride, Flower Arranging, a talk on Jamaica, Eid, Painting and Sewing.

We also have an evening group that meets up on the last Monday of each month, for some light hearted games, to chat and have the chance to meet some new friends. Come along and find us at The Cat In The Wall, 4 The Stonebow, YO1 7NY, 7pm-9pm.

## What we have been up to

We visited the Theatre to see 'Rush' a joyous Jamaican Journey telling the story of the Windrush generation through music & words. "very informative & entertaining"

We attended the 1st Anniversary of the 'Our City Hub' at the Mansion House

A big Thank You to Wilberforce Trust for inviting us to their Signposting Fair.

Shamim hosted a special event at Knavesmire School for Refugee Week. A DJ played traditional music, where the women got to dance in their traditional clothes. There was also food supplied from all traditions, trulely amazing evening.

Did you hear Lisa on Radio York, she was promoting our 'Connect, Share & Chat' event that was held at Half Term, for Cultural Diversity Day where the children made characters out of recycling.

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#### Hate Crime Reporting Centre

YREN are a recognised Independent Third Party Hate Crime Reporting Centre. If you require support or help in contacting the Police contact us on: 07704 120722 or info@yren.co.uk. Our dedicated phone line is open 9am-5pm, Monday - Friday, during other times there is an answerphone facility where messages will be picked up the next working day, In an Emergency and if you are immediate danger, always dial 999.

A Race Hate Crime is a crime committed against a person because of their race, religion or ethnicity. We would encourage you to make any reports even if you are a witness.

## **Coming Up:**

- We will be attending the 'Our City Festival' at York Explore Museum Street, on 9th September 2023
- Also York's first MELA to be held on 24th September, 10am-5pm at Artists Garden
- We have been lucky enough to secure a Christmas Tree this year at the event held at York Minster. Please do visit in December and vote for us.
- Coming up in October we will be holding and attending events for Hate Crime Awareness Week and Black History Month, please check our Twitter page for updates.

## Spotlighting

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