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Presentation Evening 2011

The third annual Presentation Evening of the Partnership of Supplementary Schools (PSS) took place at the RBKC Town Hall on the 20th October and was attended by almost 500 people.

Nominations were given by 19 schools, awarding students and volunteers for attendance and effort.

Awards were also given to one student drawn from each school that took part in the Summer Reading Challenge arranged by the Library Service. The school that had the most students taking part and returning their certificates for the challenge, Somali Womens Association, won £500 for a trip or an event for their school.

"In Our Words", a video describing the work of supplementary schools, was premiered at the event. During the filming Val Patterson,

Director of Education at Westway Development Trust and the coordinator of PSS, and film maker Duncan Guymer visited 15 schools. The film featured local teachers, students and parents of the schools and showed some of the achievements and challenges of the schools.



Daud Ali, former Midaye student, closing the event with his speech

Quality Framework Awards were given by Siobhan Crawley from the National Resource Centre for Supplementary Schools. Al Amaana School

(MCWG), Al-Noor Youth Association, Moroccan Community Project, West London Moroccan Widadia and Somali Women's Association all received a Bronze Award for their schools.

Students from the Moroccan Supplementary School and Baraka Youth Association showed the audience their newly learned debating skills on the subject of "Should the voting age be lowered to 16?".

Mayor Julie Mills greeted all award winners with her wonderful smile and presented their certificates and gift vouchers. She also gave a brief speech applauding the schools and the event.

The evening was closed with a speech from Daud Ali, a former student of the supplementary school of Midaye Somali Development Network, who talked about the impact Midaye had had on him.



Audience voting for the Debate Mate winner at the Presentation Evening

Dalgarno Supplementary School



DSS students receiving their awards from Mayor Julie Mills at the Town Hall

Dalgarno Supplementary School (DSS) had a successful first term of the year followed by an Eid party for the students and their parents on the 12th November. The students received gifts and were entertained by a clown and fireworks, while tucking into some barbequed food and cake.

Another highlight of the term was a trip to meet the former Arsenal football player Ian Wright. The students got to take their photos with him while the sportsman gave them tips on how to be a successful footballer.

The girls took part in a rock climbing course at Westway

Sports Centre while the parents attended the gym.

As well as their multiple sporting activities, DSS is also intending to organise a healthy eating programme for students and their parents. The school is also planning a trip to Thorpe Park and to Morocco later on in the year.

End of 2011 Fair - West London Turkish School

200 people attended the WLTS's End of 2011 party on 11 December at Sion Manning RC Girls School, where the school operates weekly. Delicious cultural Turkish food and desserts were enjoyed while the kids had their faces painted and people danced to Turkish music.

Parents made hand crafted items, such as table clothes, bags, clothes and jewellery to sell and raised a magnificent £1,285 for the school. The day finished with a prize draw. Many presents were given away and the day was enjoyed by all.



Busy end of 2011 fair

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SCHOOLS:
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Meetings and training

The autumn term saw two partnership meetings, 7 September and 2 November, which now alternate as morning and evening meetings. This was decided last year to allow individuals who work during the daytime the chance to participate.

The annual Staff Training Day was organised for staff and volunteers at the Venture Centre on 29 October during the half term. Claire Standing

from WDT shared some top tips on successful fundraising and Ruth Lacey from RBKC went though current Child Protection updates with the participants.

The first session of the Effective Teaching course took place on the 8 November. The course consisting of eight sessions is led by Angela Bell from the National Resource Centre for Supplementary Schools. The course is aimed

at unqualified teachers and will earn them an Open College Network accredited at level 2 or 3. The course will help them to understand different learning styles and the effect of learning as well as the requirements of lesson planning. The popular course will end in February 2012 and will be repeated in the Summer term to allow other schools to attend the course as it has limited places.

Debate Mate



Debate Mate at the Town Hall

The coordinator of the Moroccan Supplementary School (MSS), Mustapha Zouaoui, wanted to give better chances for his students when applying to universities and took a couple of groups to Oxford University to

debate. He then realised that the students would benefit from debating skills and applied for and received funding from Grassroot Grants to run the Debate Mate project.

Students from MSS and Baraka Youth Association (BYA) took part in the pro-

ject on three Saturdays and went head to head in a final, which Debate Mate said was "one of the best" they had seen. BYA won on the day and as both of the groups did so well, they got to do their debate again at the Supplementary Schools' Presentation Evening at the Town Hall.