

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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group to hear about events and success stories.



Happy New Year

Happy new year and welcome to our first newsletter of 2023. First of all, thank you to all our hard working Pioneers and their Brokers for their ongoing efforts which made 2022 a huge success. The New Pioneers Programme changed the lives of 205 families in 2022. The programme supported 94 Pioneers into education or training, of that 38 gained a qualification. We also supported 117 pioneers with job searching support, of which 77 moved into employment.

To mark the success of 2022, the New Pioneers Celebrated in style at Castlemere Banqueting suite where we held the 2022 NPP Christmas party. We enjoyed an unforgettable Christmas Carol Preformance from our New Pioneers family choir, enjoyed food prepared by the New Pioneers cooks, dancing preformed by the New Pioneers belly dancing team and even had a visit form the Grinch and Santa.



Following the success of both the belly dancing classes and the family choir, we are pleased to announce that the classes will continue into the new year. All classes are FREE.

Family choir is held at Spotland Community Centre, Tuesday, 4.30pm - 6.30pm.

Belly Dancing is held at Spotland Community Centre, Wednesday 5.45pm - 6.45Pm

Positive News Stories



Congratulations to Pioneer, Hewaida Shahine, who has recently opened a Take Away business. Hewaida has always dreamed of opening a food business, she and her husband are specialized in Italian cuisine as they used to live in Italy.

With encouragement from Broker, Laila, and support of the New Pioneers Programme, Hewaida took the brave step of making her dream a reality.

Congratulations to Hewaida, we wish her huge success. Please show Hewaida's some love by supporting her business: Gusto Italiano.

The popular Womans Group held each Wednesday in the public living room at Spotland Community Centre has recently celebrated its first birthday. Throughout the year, the woman have celebrated International Womans Day, enjoyed mindfulness walks in both Healy Dell and in Hebden Bridge and have created a safe environment where woman support woman. Contact your Broker if you are interested in joining the group.



Pioneers in Heywood have recently completed their 12 week sewing course and remained extremely focused throughout.

Each week tutor, Lisa, shared her knowledge, skills and inspiration to empower our pioneers to repurpose old clothes, bedding and textiles to create sustainable and affordable clothing. Now that they have gained the skills and confidence to navigate their way around a sewing machine, the pioneers have each received the machines they have learnt on so they can continue to repair, repurpose and recycle clothes and textiles at home.

If you are interested in starting your own sewing journey, please contact your Broker. Classes are held on Tuesday morning at Spotland Community Centre.



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Artur joined the New Pioneers from a word of mouth referral. Artur had been working on and off for numerous agencies and had numerous short term temporary job roles. He has a love for all things IT and computers and his ultimate dream is to work as a Java programmer. He lives in Lower Falinge area with his wife and 8 year old daughter. While working towards his goal, Artur still looks after his family. Broker, Aggy and Artur explored the opportunity for Artur to qualify as a SIA level 2 security officer to secure permanent employment. He enrolled on a SIA course and successfully passed. The NPP also supported Artur with a gym membership to improve his health and well being.

In addition, Artur has recently been accepted for University to work towards his long term aspiration, whilst still being able to work part time to provide for his lovely Family.



Learning Lab

Our new family learning lab has proven very successful.

Both adults and children have benefited from learning Arabic, Maths, Art, and even playing the Guitar in our popular music lessons.

For further information, please contact your Broker.



NEW PIONEERS RUNNING LAB



EVERY MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY 12PM - 12.45PM

WHETHER YOU'VE NEVER RUN BEFORE OR YOU JUST WANT TO GET MORE ACTIVE, WHY NOT JOIN THE NEW PIONEERS RUNNING LAB?

IN LINE WITH THE NHS COUCH TO 5K PROGRAMME, IT INVOLVES COMMITTING TO 3 RUNS/WALKS PER WEEK. (EVERY MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY WITH THE GROUP AND AN ADDITIONAL RUN/WALK IN YOUR OWN TIME).

TO CONFIRM YOUR PLACE CONTACT NICOLA ON 07530258253

ALTERNATIVELY, MEET AT SPOTLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY AT 12PM.



Pioneers are currently completing the couch to 5k programme at our popular NPP running lab.

Running reduces stress, keeps you fit and healthy and helps to keep your mind sharp.

Why not join our running lab every Monday and Wednesday?

Meeting at Spotland Community Centre, 12pm.



Reasons to join our Book Club.

- Book clubs are a great way to establish new friends.
- Our book club will improve your reading and writing skills.
- Reading books with others can be a great way to unwind and relax.
- You will learn something insightful about yourself and others.
- Reading outside of your own interests can help you learn and grow.

Meet every Thursday at 10am BOTM Community Centre, Heywood.



NEW PIONEERS Book Club

Join our book club to enhance your reading experience, form meaningful connections and build community through reading and discussion.

Discover and discuss
Learn something new
Share ideas

Thursdays 10am
BOTM Community Centre, Heywood
Contact Aggy 07871914728



**HAVE YOU BOOKED YOUR TICKETS
FOR OUR VALENTINES FESTIVAL?**

**CONTACT SHARON OR YOUR
BROKER TODAY.**

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The background of the poster is a deep red color with several light pink and red heart cutouts scattered across it. At the top center, there is a small white heart flanked by two sets of double chevrons (»«).

Valentines Festival

13 FEBRUARY
5 P M - 8 P M

Join us at Spotland Community Centre for food,
fun and love.

Spaces are limited please contact Sharon.Dunn@rochdale.gov.uk
to book tickets

Love is in the air.....

NEW PIONEERS
MAVERICK LAB
RBH
ALL TOGETHER
BETTER LIVING
ROCHDALE
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Heywood Food Bank
94 Adelaide Street
Heywood
07396071193
Monday and Friday
10am - 12pm

Aunt Irene's Pantry
St James Church
Milnrow
07870172142
Wednesdays 6pm - 7pm and Sunday 11.30am - 2pm

Petrus Emergency Food Parcels and Vouchers
Great George Street
Rochdale
01706 526289
www.petrus.org.uk

Citizens Advice Rochdale
Freephone 08082787803

Join the Get Rochdale Working group on Facebook- Opportunities' for jobs and apprenticeships daily and engage with local employers. The team can help with a variety of things including interview clothes and a laptop to help with job searching.

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