



We hope you are all keeping well and safe, please continue to visit our website for the latest Covid-19 updates at www.sidcuppartners.co.uk

#Londontogether

We have been continuing to support the #londontogether hashtag and would continue to encourage you to do the same as they include regular updates that can help all businesses, including the recent pay it forward scheme. Please visit our social media pages for further information on this or the pay it forward website directly. More info about Pay it Forward and how to support is here – <https://payitforward.london.gov.uk/>

Learning & Enterprise College

We would like to congratulate the Learning & Enterprise College on their recent Ofsted inspection, Ofsted praise in their report the College that is 'good' at changing futures as well as praising Staff and governors. Ofsted carried out the inspection at the beginning of March. It judged the College 'good' for quality of education, behaviour and attitudes, personal development, leadership and management, adult learning programmes, and its provision for learners with high needs.



Leave on a Light

Final year Rose Bruford College BA (Hons) Actor Musicianship student Christian Powlesland, has enlisted the help of fellow students, alumni and staff from the Sidcup Drama School to perform and record a charity single he has written in support of the Acting for Others charity and the NHS. After writing 'Leave on a Light' for another project, Christian decided to record it as a single to support his chosen charities. He then reached out to the college community to put together a huge virtual choir of over 70 members for the powerful climax of the song. Christian said: "The song is the culmination of five weeks work and has been my creative lifeline during lock-down. I needed to record as many voices as I could for the climax of the song, so I reached out to the Bruford community via social media. The final result was far bigger and more beautiful than I ever expected, and I couldn't be more grateful

to everyone who got involved.” Donations can be made via the Leave on a Light Crowdfunder page. Donations of £3 or more can receive an audio download of the song, whilst donations of £5 or more can receive the video and audio download.

**London's
International
Drama School**

**Rose
Bruford
College**
of Theatre
& Performance

Rainbow Competition

We are pleased to share with you all the wonderful rainbow entries we received for our competition, entries can be found on our website for you to vote for your favourite. Voting will close on May 22nd 2020

[Rainbows vote](#)

We ask that you only vote once and register your email address to prevent more than one vote being counted.



Mind in Bexley

Please follow the link [here](#) to view the latest services available from Mind in Bexley. We are also pleased to share we will be providing Mental Health training virtually in the coming months. As with our last training workshop places will be available to levy payers for free and offered on a first come basis. If any places remain non levy payers can attend at a fee. We will have further details in the coming weeks.



A special thank you from Summer-Louise

We are delighted to share with you this special entry from Summer-Louise, age 8 showing support to the NHS during the current pandemic. What a beautiful rainbow!



Burnt Oak Lane/Chatsworth Infant School Newsletter

We are delighted to have received a mention in the latest edition of this newsletter. Follow the link [here](#) to read it!



VE Day

We were delighted to receive some wonderful pictures from your VE Day celebrations and to see some wonderful displays too!

See them [here!](#)



Face Coverings

In light of recent Public Health England advice we have shared on our social media page a #Londontogether video demonstrating how to make a face covering at home in order to protect yourselves and others.

More info on health guidance around face coverings is here
– <https://www.london.gov.uk/coronavirus/face-covering-guidance>

A Thank you to Resknow Web Design

Thank you to those who entered our competition and supported our rainbow campaign. With thanks to [Resknow Web Design & Digital Marketing](#) for supporting the competition as well as displaying the wonderful entries and [The London Bath Factory - Bath Bombs, Bubble Bars, Soaps, Shower Steamers](#) for making and supplying the runner up prizes.

Shop Local

We are all aware of the impact Covid-19 has had on our local businesses and ask you to shop locally during and after the pandemic. Many of our local businesses who do not usually offer online services have started to offer their services online where possible. We kindly ask you to check and see if your local favourite businesses are doing this and show them some support. The need to social distance has also seen a number of our local businesses alter their services to fit in line with this. Many of our local restaurants are offering take away service or delivery, if you would usually visit these restaurants please consider a takeaway or delivery instead, it really will mean so much to that small business during this time, helping to support local cafes, bars and restaurants through the coming months is important to their survival. There are plenty of other ways you can also help and support without spending, such as following them on social media and leaving great reviews online, positive words of encouragement and great reviews from your previous interactions with our local businesses or recent ones not only keeps up moral but keeps that local business on the radar, a simple like or comment across social media can really help our small local businesses. Shop Local and support each other!



Protecting businesses from Covid-19 Scams

Malicious email attachments, false government grant phone calls and CEO impersonation scams are among a raft of scams undermining businesses as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. The increasing risk has led National Trading Standards to launch Businesses Against Scams- a free online training tool to protect businesses, employees and customers from costly scams.



Its about showing Entrepreneurialship during these times!

We were delighted to see and share your imaginative ways you have changed your businesses and business models during the lockdown. See them [here!](#)

A thank you to our local funeral directors

We are very aware of the current pressures everyone is facing during the current pandemic and have given much support to our local keyworkers such as NHS Staff and postal workers. Whilst we completely agree that they deserve this support and recognition we are aware of the keywork our local funeral directors are also doing at this time.

We have organised a delivery of tea, coffee and biscuits arriving for next week from Sidcup Partners LTD and have ordered a selection of thermos flasks too which upon their delivery will be delivered too as a thank you to our local funeral directors for continuing to play a key role within our community during this time.

