

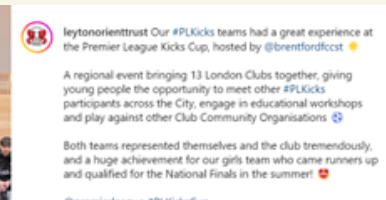
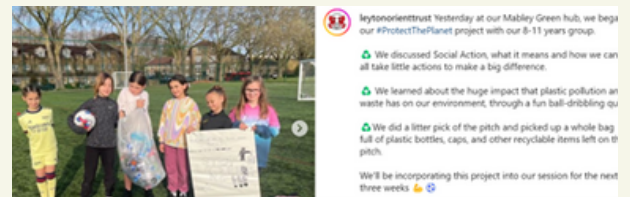
NEWSLETTER



April 2023

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

- The Trust Youth Engagement and Support Team has been busy over April. This has included starting the #ProtectThePlanet Social Action project at Mabley Green, aiming to make a big difference by taking small actions to address plastic pollution including collecting up a whole bag full of plastic bottles, caps, and other recyclable items.
- The final Association of College's funded Girls' College Futsal Festival was held at SCORE with Waltham Forest College winning on the day and being presented their medals by Leyton Orient Women's Team players Katie Hunt, Lola Durojaiye and Layla Duffield.
- Easter was particularly busy for the team with the Holiday Activities and Food Programme held at SCORE with over 50 participants per day for four days – all enjoying multi sports, youth zone, Stadium Tour and free hot meals. Big thanks to the Women's Team Manager Danny Martin who spoke about his coaching journey
- Over the Easter Break the Team took a group of young people over to Brentford to take part in the PLKicks tournament involving 13 other London club. The participants took part in educational workshops and met other #PLKicks participants. The girls' team were runners-up and qualified for the National Finals in the summer.
- The Trust Team also organised the #NeighbourhoodKicksCup Football Festival for 250 young people from 9 boroughs playing football and working with the Met Police. The Orient Women's Team were also on hand to offer a skills masterclass.



HEALTHY SCHOOLS

As part of the Healthy Schools Teams' targets there is a requirement to help Primary Teachers improve their PE knowledge and delivery. During the Easter Break the Trust Team, therefore, in partnership with British Dodgeball, held at SCORE, a Level 1 Dodgeball course for primary school teachers across the Tower Hamlets area.



EMPLOYABILITY

In April the Trust launched the Well-being and Employment Support Programme for Waltham Forest residents. The programme aims to help residents access resources including digital training that can improve their employment possibilities. To date 8 residents have been supported with two finding full time employment.



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Following the initial impact of the Local Walks Programme these have now been extended till September and expanded into new area with several Health Champions volunteers trained up to lead them. The twice weekly Well Being Café also continues to engage effectively



STUDY PROGRAMME

As a thank you for the 30 students that have been supporting the PFA's FA courses for ex Professional Players at Douglas Eyre over 12 weeks the PFA donated free tickets for the FA Youth Cup Semi Final held over the Easter Holidays.

As for next academic year, over twenty prospective new students took part in the 'Try out and find out' Study Programme Days over the Easter Holiday.

CLUB & COMMUNITY LIAISON

A huge congratulations to both the First Team Mens and Women's Teams for winning their respective leagues and gaining promotion to the next level.

- The match day activity programme concluded over the month with three memorable home games with Coppermill Swifts, East Fishkill soccer camp and Colebrook Royals Junior teams all in attendance and fully taking part in activities. Volunteers from SHOUT and Diabetes UK were also in attendance to promote their important health campaigns.
- Off the pitch a huge congratulations to Omar Beckles who was recognised for his pioneering work with the Trust and the wider community by winning the EFL Player in the Community Award thanks to his work on supporting and developing young people in the community.
- And finally...to celebrate promotion the Trust Team was proud to be part of the Community Promotion Party and Family Day on the pitch.

