



YOUNG ARCHER



Sacred texts: Ruth Jampel, left, with some of the academy students.

Faith and hope

Young people explored the bridges between the faiths when Muswell Hill Synagogue opened its doors to students from the Archer Academy in East Finchley.

Ruth Jampel, of local teaching company Judaism for Schools, led the sessions for Year Eight pupils to further their knowledge of Sacred Texts.

The students had the opportunity to explore the synagogue itself, handle artefacts linked to the construction and care of the Torah, and learn how to scribe

in Hebrew using ink and feather quills.

Ruth said many Muslim students made the link between the shared beliefs and approaches of Islam and Judaism and some of the school's Jewish students were proud to lead the scribing session themselves, sharing their knowledge and under-

standing of Hebrew.

Judaism for Schools visits primary and secondary schools in and around London, delivering hands-on engaging workshops on a range of topics linked to Judaism and Jewish history. The sessions focus on what all faiths share and reinforce the value of tolerance of the beliefs of others.

Cash help for youth projects

Eight projects aimed at improving the health and well-being of children and young people across Barnet have been given an £85,000 funding boost.

Among the eight organisations awarded funding are Barnet Carers Centre awarded £17,300 for their young carers' hubs, Community Focus awarded £17,500 for art projects, Resources for Autism awarded £12,800 and Grief Encounters awarded £6,000 for remembrance workshops to support bereaved children and young people.

The other four were Jami, Harts Theatre and Mill Hill East Church awarded £13,700 for their One Barnet, Many

Voices Project, Suberbos awarded £6,000 for its football project, Head Held High, Rainbow Head and RAF Museum awarded £5,000 for their Stop & Laugh Project, and Strength in Horses Equine Therapy awarded £5,900.

came from the Young Barnet Foundation in partnership with the Joint Commissioning Unit of Barnet CCG and Barnet Council, having been selected from 24 project applications. Janet Matthewson, CEO of the Young Barnet Foundation said: "The Space2Grow CYP fund is a great way of getting funding to local grass root organisations enabling them to be the difference in the lives of our children, young people and families."

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The Space2Grow awards



Strength in Horses: one of the projects receiving funding

**All Saints' Church,
Durham Road, East Finchley
Church of England**

Sunday mass at 10.00 a.m.

Weekday masses at 10.00 a.m.

(11.00 a.m. on Wednesdays)

(Coffee served after mass on Sunday and Thursday)

Prayer requests are gladly accepted.

The Parish has a *flourishing* social life.

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**Contact the Vicar, Fr Christopher Hardy,
on 020 8883 9315**

<http://www.allsaints-eastfinchley.org.uk>

Candid canines

Dog owners may want to make sure their daily walks take in the Phoenix Cinema during June when there will be an exhibition of canine shots by local photographer Michael Duke.

'ADog's Life' features dogs in different situations, some funny, some poignant, often captured on the spur of the moment by Michael. He told us: "I got the idea for this exhibition when a driver parked his van outside my office, got out to nip into the bakery and his dog moved over to the driver's seat. I saw the humour of this and entitled the image 'Where did he hide the keys?'"

"Since then I have seen dogs in different situations, captured the scene on my camera and titled each image with what I reckon the dog concerned might be thinking. After trying out a few images

in photo club competitions and Facebook postings, I became encouraged enough to make a themed exhibition out of it."

Find out more at www.mjduke.co.uk.



"Where did he hide the keys?" by Michael Duke.



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