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"In the name of Allah, most Gracious, most Compassionate".

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COMMUNITY & AGM NEWS

It seems a long time ago now, but the community Iftaari on October 7th last year was a huge success .

We hope future events held there will be just as well attended, in-shallah.

There were a couple of complaints from people who did not receive an invitation, for which we apologise. Anyone who has not received a newsletter should contact the **General Secretary** to obtain a copy.



Also, congratulations to **Nihaad Kapde** on his recent wedding in India. We wish him and his new wife all the best.



AGM:

See panel on the right and the back page for details. Its election year, so its important everyone turns up on time. There are also some very important proposals for you to consider. These are attached with the invitation.



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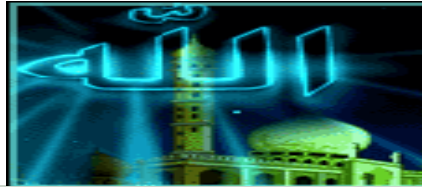
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NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS:
WWW.KOKNILUTON.CO.UK

Good News! Our new website is up and running again, thanks to the efforts of **Azam Parkar and Ahmed Parkar**. Inshallah, we will improve it as we go along, with more pictures and more content. But we aim to keep it updated on a more regular basis – so you don't have to wait for the next newsletter. Log on to find out what's new and what's coming up. Any suggestions on the content will be appreciated – just call one of the committee members

AGM 2007

- The AGM this year will be held on **Saturday, 24th February** at **Challney** starting at **02:00pm sharp**.
- Its **ELECTION** year this year when all the posts will be up for grabs again.



EDUCATION NEWS

Unfortunately, it's been another year of big upheavals at the Maktab. It seems just when things are beginning to look up, we stumble into a new crisis.

Mehboob Parkar did a fine job as Head of Education, but unfortunately he has had to leave us after getting a new job in Malaysia. We have also lost Hajirah Parkar who also did a fine job from the ladies side. In addition to that, we have also lost one ma'alim due to work commitments and a ma'alimah due to marriage! (moving outside Luton)

We would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for the invaluable contributions.

It goes without saying, the Maktab is the most important part of our community and one of the main reasons why we invested in a property. But without long-term commitment from parents, teachers and committee members we won't make much progress.

So anyone wishing to volunteer for the post of Head of Education, please contact the general secretary. But we also need to hear from anyone who knows a good ma'alim to teach the boys.

MADRESSA TIMINGS:

Fridays: 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Saturday and Sunday: 10 a.m. - 12 noon.



PROPERTY NEWS



Phase two is now complete and the property looks superb. Why not go and see for yourself? Just contact a committee member.

We thank everyone who's put in a lot of time and effort to bring the building up to standard, including painting, cleaning and cooking for the volunteers. A lot of your money has gone into this project – so thanks for your support.

We are now ready to make the most of this great building. It will be available for hire for private functions for members of KCL for £15 per hour. There are some restrictions involved. For details, contact **Bashir Dalvi. TEL: 07979 863121**

Community functions, including use of computer room is of course free. Those wishing to pray can also use the facilities after the AGM.

KCL is also considering using the facilities for prayers at the next Eid in September, for men (downstairs) and women (upstairs). Any other good suggestions also welcome.





RECREATION NEWS



Check out Challney. Remember it is our religious obligation to keep fit.

We are open as usual for badminton/football/swimming on Saturday evenings from 5:30 pm. Football practise on Sunday mornings has been very well attended on most days – lets keep it going in the New Year. For those who don't know, we kick-off at 10.30 a.m.

The recreation team will be running a trial session of swimming for women on Sunday mornings, starting at 10.15 a.m. The aim is teach our ladies to swim, rather than hang around in the shallow end. So, if you want to get involved, its still not too late!

Unfortunately, the men's fitness sessions have had to be cancelled due to lack of interest (if there is sufficient interest shown then we will look into it) On the plus side, we have seen more and more new faces at Challney. Let's hope this continues.

NEW STARTING WEEKEND 27TH JAN 2007

LADIES SWIMMING: LESSONS* Sunday 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. This is for a trial period.

MENS SWIMMING: LESSONS* Saturday 05:30 – 06:30 p.m. This is for a trial period.

CHALLNEY- OPENS 05:30 PM

ITINERARY: SATURDAYS

05:30-06:30 pm Men & Boys Swimming. + LESSONS

05:45-06:45 pm Ladies & Girls AEROBICS (upstairs).

07:00-08:00 pm Ladies & Girls SWIMMING.

SUNDAYS:

10:30-12:30 am Men's Football.

LADIES SWIMMING

10:15-11:15 am

COMING UP IN 2007

*Weekend in April
Healthy Living Day*

*Sunday May 6th— Milad/
Maktab Function.*

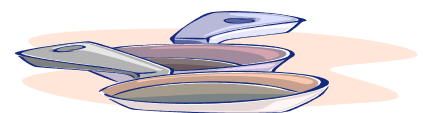
*Sat 28th July
FUNDAY*

Watch out for other events to come at www.kokniluton.co.uk

OTHER NEWS (NEW ADDRESSES)

Yaseen and Jabine Parkar,
6 Foxhill, Luton LU2 7YR.
Tel: 01582-416563.

Bashir and Shahida Parkar,
274 Stockingstone Road,
Luton LU2 7DD.



UTENSILS:

Available for use by KCL members for £20 minimum donation.

Mr Abbas and Halima Parkar,
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LU4 0BP.



CONTACT DETAILS

Below are contact numbers of Managing Committee Members in case you need to contact one of them:

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AGENDA AGM FEBRUARY 24th, 2007

You and your family are invited to attend the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING to be held on Saturday February 24th, 2007 at Challney starting at 2:00 p.m. promptly.

The agenda for the day is as follows:

Recitation from the Holy Qur'an

Welcome Speech from the President

Minutes and matters arising from the last meeting.

General Secretary's Report

Head of Education (Maktab) Report.

Treasurer's Report

Head of Recreation report

Proposals for members approval (see attached).

Head of property report.

Any Other Business.

Presentation of Trophies.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ELECTIONS.

DINNER

Breaks will be allowed for prayers. Anyone who wishes to raise an issue at the AGM must put forward their proposal in writing or via e-mail to the General Secretary 7 days ahead of the meeting.

If you are unable to attend, please fill in and return the proxy vote form attached below to me by Saturday February 17th, 2007. You can nominate the chairman of the meeting to vote on your behalf.

Anwar Tambe, KCL General Secretary.

PROPOSALS AND PROXY VOTE

- We agree that fees for Challney should now be collected as part of the membership fees (see attached sheet for details).
- We agree that Life membership can be obtained on payment of £500 for any single member over 50 years of age and £850 for a couple over 50 years of age.
- We agree that members who are retired should continue to be members free of charge from the age of 65.

APPOINTMENT OF PROXY:

I,(name), of being a member Kokni Community Luton hereby appoint the following as my proxy to vote on my behalf at the AGM to be held on February 24th, 2007.

Mr/Mrs/Miss Signature:

Full name and address:

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP FEES: See attached sheet for new fees proposed

Single Employed - £35. Couple (at least one employed) - £50 Married with children under 18 - £50. Married with children over 18 (students or unemployed) - £60. Single retired - £10. Couple retired - £20.

CHALLNEY:

Both parents attending— £30. One parent and children— £15. Children only— £15.