

COMMUNITY NEWS



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80 Years/Oak Trees

The 80th Anniversary is symbolised by oak as oak trees are well known for living to a great age and for being particularly robust, capable of surviving in serious storms far better than many other types of tree. In our 80th year 80 Oak Trees are being planted across the region. Here are six examples:



Bibby's Farm Scout Campsite, Chorley.



Rocking Horse Day Nursery, Audenshaw.



Ringway Primary School, Wythenshawe.



Crawford Women's Institute, Knutsford.



Monton Sports Club, Monton.



Friends of Didsbury Park, Didsbury.

Each of the groups, planting trees, have had their own stories too; using the plantings to mark anniversaries of their groups or the start of new initiatives. Many 'time capsules' have been buried with the trees, capturing their unique take on 21st Century life. We hope all our trees grow strong and tall; providing hundreds of years of shade, enjoyment and community amenity for our neighbours.

Award winning!



In December 2018 Business in the Community (BiTC) confirmed that Manchester Airport has been awarded the CommunityMark for a third time. The CommunityMark recognises businesses that have an integrated and strategic approach to community investment and are making a measurable difference to communities through their programmes; it is the industry standard of excellence in this area.

The assessors were very impressed by our work and by the commitment that we have demonstrated. They said that our application was 'outstanding' and that we are 'living our community values'.





In February a display of new artwork was officially opened by Manchester Airport Chief Operating Officer Brad Miller in the Wythenshawe Artwalk. The event was attended by the artists Andy Leigh and Angie Greenway, children from Prospect Vale Heald Green (pictured left) and The Willows Wythenshawe Primary Schools, as well as dignitaries from the Cathedral. The artwork shows the development of the project and some of the 600 porcelain wings that are being produced to commemorate 600 years of Manchester Cathedral.



The Journey
Flying through time

We deliver an annual Outreach programme across Cheshire and Greater Manchester. Below are our 2019 Spring/Summer dates.

-We will publish other dates later in the year at www.manchesterairport.co.uk/outreach.

- **Tuesday 26th March** **14:00-15:30 hrs** **Café Unity, Heald Green.**
- **Tuesday 26th March** **16:30-18:30 hrs** **Heald Green Library.**
- **Thursday 28th March** **11:00-17:30 hrs** **Notcutts Garden Centre, Woodford.**
- **Wednesday 10th April** **11:00-15:00 hrs** **Forum Centre, Wythenshawe.**
- **Wednesday 1st May** **14:30-18:30 hrs** **Rajar Building, Mobberley**
- **Tuesday 18 & Wednesday 19 June** **08:30-17:00 hrs** **Cheshire Show, Tabley.**

In December 2019 we hosted our first Masterclass Express in Comberbach. During the hour and a half, we familiarised the six attendees with our operations, aircraft operations and the future of our site/business. We received the following feedback:



“The whole presentation was very informative, giving more of an insight into operations & developments”.

On Wednesday 1st May we will be holding our advertised Outreach in the Rajar Building from 14:30 to 18:30 hrs; described above. We will hold a *Masterclass Express* lasting from 15:00 to 16:30 hrs, during our Outreach session. We would like to manage numbers to ensure we have enough paperwork for those attending and ensure a quality experience. If you would like to register for ‘*Masterclass Express*’, please e-mail community.relations@manairport.co.uk or call 08000 967 967.

Masterclass Express & Outreach 2019

In January we hosted six students from Petty Pool College (a vocational college for students with learning disabilities). The students roll played as check-in agents, making customer service announcements and checking each other in for flights. We were joined by two Customer Services Officers, who talked about their varied roles and answered questions. We finished with a visit to the old Control Tower for an airfield view and talk. We received the feedback on the right.

“Wow -What a great visit we had, the students were delighted, and one stated it was his best day ever of his life! Thank you so much for welcoming us and putting the students through their paces on the day. They all learned so much which was apparent in the evaluation session we did when we got back to College”.

Petty Pool College visit

At the Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund meeting in January, 14 groups received over £30K between them. Since the Fund began over £3.5M has been given to more than 1,500 local groups.



→ In January the Trafford Trampoline Club held a ‘celebration’ event; the Group had received, a £2,000 Grant to purchase a ‘Double mini trampoline’.



← In November Friends of Rose Hill Station held a launch event for their mural (part sponsored by the Trust Fund). The mural consists of approximately 300 individual pieces of art painted on wooden discs created by people of a wide age range from the Marple community.

To apply or for more information please visit www.manchesterairport.co.uk/communitytrustfund.

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