

*Welcome to the second edition of the BCT Training E-News.*

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**ESOL and Keep Fit for Mums and Children**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

**10.00 to 12.00 noon**

**At The Baptist Church Centre, Victoria Road, Handsworth**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

**1.00 to 3.00pm**

**At Rookery Children Centre, Handsworth**

Fun for mums exercising with their children this half term and practising English at the same time. More information from Susan on 07737604241

## **Workshops for those who support adult ESOL learners**

On behalf of BCT Training City College offers the following sessions for those who work alongside adult ESOL learners in the voluntary sector. Please make these opportunities known as widely as possible as the more participants attending the less it will cost. Maximum college fee for each 1.5 hour session will be no more than £25.00 and will be reduced if you can help us with the promotion. Expressions of interest please by 30<sup>th</sup> October – see form below

### **Teaching Skills: 14<sup>th</sup> November 09 10.00am – 1.15pm:**

- 1) **Becoming a speaker of English (10.00-11.30)** : Trainees experience a 'fluency' and an 'accuracy' activity, and analyse the differences between these two kinds of speaking activities, both in their purpose and the way they are set up and run. They receive some examples of simple resources and ideas to take away.
- 2) **Teaching writing in the ESOL classroom (11.30-1.15)**: After a brief analysis of the differences between written and spoken English, trainees consolidate what they know about punctuation, conjunctions/linkers and spelling. They experience a few activities that help ESOL students improve accuracy in these areas and formulate some simple rules relating to their use.

### **Teaching literacy in ESOL: 28<sup>th</sup> November 10.00-11.30**

- 3) **Teaching Beginner Literacy in the ESOL classroom**: After a short discussion about the backgrounds of learners with literacy needs, and a little analysis of learners' writing, trainees reflect on the stages and types of activities being employed in a videoed lesson.

## Teaching grammar : 12<sup>th</sup> December 10.00-1.15

- 4) **A,B,C of grammar (10.00-11.30)** This is a an activity-based 'teacher knowledge' session, in which trainees consolidate what they know about the basic word classes (nouns, articles, conjunctions, etc), experience some activities that help ESOL students become more accurate in their use, and start to formulate some of the simpler rules relating to their use.
- 5) **Introduction to Teaching Grammar (11.45-1.15)**\_Trainees\_reconstruct the stages of a recently videoed grammar lesson, analysing the purpose of each stage in terms of understanding and practice.

These workshops will be delivered by Christine Tudor-Jones and Caroline Large at the City College site: 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, King Edward House, 135A New Street, City Centre, Birmingham, B2 4QJ - opposite Primark.

## Workshop Expression of Interest

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Contact Name</b>
<b>Email</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
<p><b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Becoming a Speaker of English</li> <li>2. Teaching Writing in the ESOL Classroom</li> </ol>	<p><b>No. of places required</b></p> <p>—</p> <p>—</p>
<p><b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Teaching Beginner Literacy in the ESOL Classroom</li> </ol>	<p>—</p>
<p><b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. The ABC of Grammar</li> <li>5. Introduction to teaching grammar</li> </ol>	<p>—</p> <p>—</p>
<p><b>Please email this back to BCT Training by 30.10.09. We will then contact you with further details</b></p>	<p><b>training@birminghamchurches.org.uk</b></p>

## Language, Faith and Culture Programme at the Nishkam Centre

This programme will draw together people from the local community, representing a diverse range of ethnicities and religions, who are interested in developing their English skills in order to express their faith and culture and to articulate their concerns. Take home activities will be provided in order to involve children and other family members. (A men's group will be available soon)



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### Free ESOL

(For Entry Level 1 learners and above)

**Improve your speaking and listening skills on topics that matter to YOU**

**faith**  
**family values**  
**culture**



The Nishkam Centre, 6  
Soho Road. Handsworth.

Women's group meets on Fridays from 9.30 to 11.30

Starting on Friday 6th November

For more information contact:

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## Visit our stall at the launch of Inter Faith Week

Launch Event

**Time:** 5pm – 8:30pm

**Date:** Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009

**Location:** Birmingham Council House, Banqueting Suite, Victoria Square, Birmingham B1 1BB

**Cost:** Free but booking required – see Inter Faith Week website for more details  
<http://www.westmidlandsifw.org.uk/home2/index.php/events-calendar/launch-event>

**Exhibition:** During 5-6pm will consist of an exhibition where delegates will be given a chance to network. Activities will include exhibitors stands, live music and an inter faith photography exhibition.

**Main event:** 6pm - 8.30pm, during this period the main stage will host a range of speeches, a d.v.d preview and live music.

**Catering:** Hot drinks and snacks will be served on the day.



## BCT Training Serving the Community

This term has seen a major increase in demand for ESOL support from women most of whom are desperate to learn English but cannot access public provision. The gap is continuing to widen between access to learning and those who are in most need. As waiting lists grow BCT Training and others within our churches basic skills network struggle to fill the gap. A summary of where our tutors are working is listed below and further information regarding provision can be obtained from the BCT Training office.

Elim Church, Warren Road, Kingstanding

Oldknow Junior School, Oldknow Road, Small Heath (near Asda)

The Baptist Church Centre, Victoria Road, Handsworth

The Rookery Children's Centre, Handsworth

Park Hill School, Moseley

Holy Trinity School, Handsworth

St Clare's School, Handsworth

Cherry Orchard Children's Centre, Handsworth

## Family Learning Programmes

Preparing your child for nursery at St Clement's School, Nechells

Parent and Child Language Group at The Baptist Church Centre, Handsworth

Currently programmes in Saltley are under development

Our tutors are available to deliver programmes for your organisation – contact us on 0121 766 5599

## Networks of Practice at the Black Country Literacy, ESOL and Numeracy Development Centre (BLEND)

Next ESOL Network of Practice is on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 5.00 to 7.00 pm

Book your place on **01902 322885**

## Your contributions to this e-news are welcome

Please get in touch with us by email [training@birminghamchurches.org.uk](mailto:training@birminghamchurches.org.uk)

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