

School Partnership Opportunities

How your school and our charity can work together to help our local community and each other

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Thank you for choosing to find out more about Age UK Kensington & Chelsea!

Age UK Kensington & Chelsea is an independent, local charity working at the heart of the community to make sure that older people's voices are heard, their needs are met, and their independence is supported. We provide a wide range of services including befriending, practical help, information and advice and a variety of social and leisure activities.

Although we are linked to Age UK, the National charity that everyone has heard of, Age UK Kensington & Chelsea functions as an independent charity and therefore we raise our own funds for all the work we do, therefore we need your support continue the services needed by our clients, so we hope that you decide to support us. If you do, there are a variety of ways we can work together, building a mutually beneficial relationship.

With best wishes

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HOW DOES AGE UK KENSINGTON & CHELSEA HELP RESIDENTS?

We are reaching out to all older people in the borough who need our help and here are some of our main services and activities.

- We offer Information & Advice on crucial issues affecting older people, including benefits; health & disabilities; grant applications;
 - Our **Befriending** volunteers

help ensure that people who are feeling isolated or lonely have a trusted friend to meet with regularly or talk to on the phone.

housing and more.



The Shopping Service
supports those who cannot
use public
transport due to

disability or frailty.



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Why support us?

Our mission is, quite simply, to help improve the lives of older people in Kensington & Chelsea.

Loneliness, isolation and poverty in later life is something that most people don't want to think about and often believe won't happen to them, but these issues really can affect anyone and everyone, no matter where they live as more people are living for longer.

In Kensington and Chelsea alone, 61% of the people over 65 live alone, with more than 10% being a lone pensioner household. And although the borough is perceived as one of the more wealthy boroughs in London, there are still pockets of deprivation especially in the north.

And with the effects of Covid these numbers are on the rise...

What's in it for you?

Getting involved provides a common focus, or goal for your school and supporting a local charity such as Age UK Kensington & Chelsea not only has a positive impact on local older people, it can be extremely rewarding for your pupils.

THE DIFFERENCE YOUR DONATION CAN MAKE!

• **£40** could help provide a benefits check for an older person, ensuring they receive what is rightfully theirs.



• **£50** could enable us to reach out to fifty isolated and vulnerable older people with a friendly call.



• **£120** could help us provide a day of activities to help improve social connections and reduce isolation.



• **£200** could help us to hold regular exercise classes which would help to improve health and wellbeing.





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HOW WE CAN HELP YOU

We want our partnership to be of mutual benefit and so we want to help you in any way we can. From giving a careers talk, to hosting an assembly, to helping out at an after school club, there's lot of ways that our staff members and service users can help enhance your curriculum.



READING CLUB

Some of our wonderful members can attend an after school reading club and help your pupils with their reading. By having someone listen to them read and give them their full attention, this could be a great way for us to give our time back to you.



We have so many clients with interesting stories to tell, so why not let us comedown and tell them to you in an assembly? Whether it's Black History Month, Pride Month, World Book Day, or just a regular Monday morning, we will have a member with an amazing story to tell.



TALKS

From subject-based talks, to life skill talks from our members on cooking and money management, to careers talks on going into the charity sector or life afterschool, we have clients and staff members who could talk to your students on a topic of your choosing.



WAYS YOU CAN HELP US...

Bring your students together to help their local community by fundraising and/or volunteering for Age UK Kensington & Chelsea. There are endless ways in which you can raise money for our charity whilst encouraging fun, creativity, and empathy amongst your pupils. Here are just a few ideas.



VOLUNTEER



FUN RUN



TALENT SHOW.



THE GREAT SCHOOL BAKE OFF



FASHION SHOW



NON-UNIFORMDAY







BOOT SALE

DANCEATHON

SCHOOL PLAY

CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITIES

We have lots of opportunities for your students to get involved with at Christmas. The most engaging of which is our Christmas letter writing scheme, which will help your younger students to develop their literacy skills.



CHRISTMAS CARD SCHEME

We can pair up students with an isolated service user at Christmas time to write a Christmas cards. It's a great way to learn more about their community.



12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE

Your students could take part in our 12 Days of Christmas Challenge. Your students could be sponsored to do anything related to the number 12 like run or bake.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for taking the time to read our school partnership booklet. We can't wait to work with you and your pupils to support our local community together.

If you would like to build a partnership with Age UK Kensington & Chelsea, whether you would like to work with us this term, at Christmas, or in the future, please email Debra Bollan - our Head of Fundraising - at dbollan@aukc.org.uk.





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