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Latest News

The “New Year New Start” Event at Compton Road Library on January 19th was attended by several hundred people. Over a dozen organizations, including the Library’s Jobseekers’ Advice Service, PATH Yorkshire, and Working Links, were there to give them information, advice and support on job seeking, self-employment, starting a business, healthy living, learning and training, and volunteering. Children enjoyed face-painting and crafts while their parents were talking with the organizations and sampling the refreshments.

Fairtrade Fortnight

Show Off Your Label

This year’s Fairtrade Fortnight is all about showing off your label and having fun with fashion. And Fairtrade of course! But what is Fairtrade?

The Fairtrade Foundation explains:

“Fairtrade is about better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world. By requiring companies to pay sustainable prices (which must never fall lower than the market price), Fairtrade addresses the injustices of conventional trade, which traditionally discriminates against the poorest, weakest producers. It enables them to improve their position and have more control over their lives.”

Europe as World Partner

The European Union is a strong supporter of international trade, relations and security. You can find out more about the EU’s role in the world at the following links:

- http://www.eeas.europa.eu/index_en.htm
- http://www.delago.ec.europa.eu/ao/ue_global/en.pdf
- http://europa.eu/abc/12lessons/lesson_11/index_en.htm



You can find out more about Fairtrade and how you can get involved at <http://www.fairtrade.org.uk>.

Here at Europe Direct Leeds we are celebrating Fairtrade Fortnight 2011 with displays throughout Leeds Central Library and a school visit. Keep checking our events page on Facebook for update on other events.

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Fairtrade Fortnight
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http://www.fairtrade.org.uk/show_off_your_label/

Game: PET looking
for new stars

www.pet-andujar.org/introductionPET.pdf

Didactic guide:
<http://www.pet-andujar.org/guidePET.pdf>

International Women's Day

Celebrate on 8 March



This year marks the 100th anniversary of the International Women's Day celebrations.

To celebrate, we have invited **Ingrid Sharp**, a Senior Lecturer in German at Leeds University, and **Professor Freda Bridge**, Principal and Chief Executive of Leeds Trinity University College, to talk about the power of education to transform lives, women's education in history and the key role of language competence in access to careers.

This will be part of an **event on Tuesday 8 March, from 1pm to 4pm** at Leeds Central Library. There is no need to book, and you can find the programme for the event attached to this newsletter.

Their talks will be followed by a jewellery making workshop, led by **Inkwell**.

You will also be able to get information about the European Union, work and volunteering opportunities, and of course you can visit our Europe Direct information centre while you are in the library.

Find out more about the International Women's Day 2011 at

<http://www.internationalwomensday.com/>

(By the way, International Men's Day is on 19 November.)



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