



Pop Up Shop

Students can sell to other students with our Learn to Earn project, where they can have access to a stall in the busy Sutton foyer & even get some promotional materials too!

Spring Craft Fair

SCOLA
Sutton,
Saturday 7th
March, 11am – 3pm.

Stalls selling handmade crafts, gifts, fine foods & more.

Spring
craft Fair

STUDENT



NEWS

February 2015

College Update

This is a difficult time of year when the College, like all other providers, is waiting to hear what the funding allocations will be for next year. A large part of the resources we use are provided by the Skills Funding Agency - a Government body.

We had a significant funding cut of 17% last year and anticipate another cut next year.

We have to make choices and keep the breadth of what we do so that we continue to provide learning opportunities for Sutton residents.

The College continues to scrutinise all expenditure and has reshaped its structure over the last 3 years to save money. We need to bring in more income to balance funding cuts as well as continuing to spend less where we can.

Fees will increase for some classes next year but there will be some special offer courses where the fees are kept lower at less popular times of the day.

Some courses will have very little change to the fees and managers are working hard to ensure students can study courses in different ways to suit different lifestyles.

There are significant challenges facing SCOLA but we recognise the courses are very good and meet the needs of students. We will continue to offer as broad a programme as possible, using our specialist facilities. We know everyone has to consider very carefully what they spend money on so we have kept any changes to a minimum.

Please do speak with Centre staff to contact me if you would like to discuss any aspect of College life.

Jenny Sims, Principal





LANGUAGE CLUB

SCOLA starts Language Club for students

Get together & speak the language you want to learn – Improve skills in French, Spanish, English & more!



Exhibitor space launched in the Starkey Gallery

The new Starkey Gallery project has now been launched & will include exciting exhibitions by local artists & students. The Starkey Gallery is located on the First Floor at Sutton Centre.

Information on all the latest news & events can be found at www.scola.ac.uk

Changes to Enrolments

We have been looking in to different ways that will speed up the enrolment process and avoid queues and waiting times.

Following feedback from student surveys we are aiming from the summer term to relaunch the Enrolment Centre as a Customer Enquiry Centre. We will have improved facilities for online enrolment with an enrolment advisor available to offer a helping hand if need be. We are also looking to reduce the amount of cash payments we process. This is so we can focus our resources on classroom delivery.

So keep an eye out for the new online enrolment booths and Customer Enquiry Centre which will greatly improve customer service and the overall enrolment process.

Laurie Nicholls - Head of Learner Support Services



New academic year, new image!

SCOLA is looking to change its image from 'adult education' to 'education & training provider', aiming to be seen to be more of an establishment for all ages with the common theme of learning.

With this, comes stronger links to the Borough, the need for a more modern image and a clear, consistent approach from all. It is recognised that we should not lose the 'SCOLA' name itself as it is so well established within the local area, as is our wide programme of courses and high quality teaching, but that the College itself needs to update its overall image.

With this in mind, we will be moving towards 'Sutton College' for the next academic year and the new logo (right) will begin to emerge! We hope you like it!

