



What's On

## Christmas Art & Crafts in Sutton High St

**Saturday 14th November from 10am.**

Join us and Enjoy Sutton in the High Street for the 'Christmas Lights Switch On'. Market stalls, FREE festive kids activities & lots more!



## Big Switch On in Wallington

The Christmas Lights in Wallington are being turned on from our Wallington centre in the Old Town Hall on Thursday 3rd December at 6:30pm. See you there!

# STUDENT



# NEWS

November 2015

## How do we face the challenges ahead?

Please have your say!

Whatever the Chancellor's Autumn Statement says we are fully aware that further cuts to public funding are inevitable. We have managed to cope with a 22% reduction this academic year but we are planning our strategy for next year now. We need your views to inform our plans. The choices are stark and will impact on learners and staff. We want to prioritise services being available for the future but more changes are needed to secure that aim.

The College has reduced staffing levels particularly across the management team and all contracts for facilities and maintenance have been re-negotiated to save money. Working practices have been reviewed and processes made more efficient. These measures have been successful in reducing expenditure.

One strategy is to increase student fees to compensate for less public funding. That will not be a popular option but all providers are having to raise fees to maintain a programme of courses. An option is to reduce the number of courses and only offer a limited range of subjects. Other possibilities include reducing the course hours or number of sessions or even offering more opportunities for learning without a teacher being present at all times.

We are looking at all possibilities and it would be very helpful to have your views – please do take the time to complete the short survey we are making available as part of Student Communications Week [here](#) or at your Centre.

Please help us to secure the courses for next year,

Yours,

*Jenny Sims, Principal*





## Imagine Art Exhibition

Some of the artwork in the Sutton Imagine Festival was created in just 3 weeks by our talented students. Well done to all!



## Don't Forget:

Courses starting after the Christmas break and into 2016 are all listed on the website.

**Try something new in 2016 - sign up now to secure your place!**

## Weekend College - Sunday 15 Nov

For just £30, you can immerse yourself in the world of art, learn how to create that website, copy those Strictly moves in Flamenco, learn how to create a Christmas wreath for your home & much more!

### Courses include:

Clock Repair Workshop

Painting – Acrylics

Painting – Egg Tempera

Take better photographs

Photoshop InDesign & Illustrator

WordPress – Website in a day

Pottery & Ceramics – Intro

Knitting for Beginners

Stained Glass

History of America

Meditation

Floral Christmas Designs

Flamenco Dancing

Speaking In Public

& more!

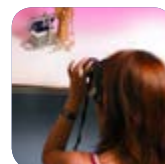
For more information and to enrol, go to:  
[www.suttoncollege.ac.uk/college/weekend/](http://www.suttoncollege.ac.uk/college/weekend/)



**Sunday  
15 Nov**



**10am-  
3pm**



**Just  
£30**

## Inspiring Student Stories

Meet Ruslan, a 37 year old from Russia who has been studying at Sutton College for the last 3 years.

Unable to understand English when he first arrived in this country, he attended various classes at the College and has gone from strength to strength including completing a course to become a Gym instructor.

His story will inspire you, reinforce the value of learning and show exactly why he was the proud recipient of an Adult Learner's Week award earlier this year. The full story can be found on the website in our news section.

