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FRIDAY UPDATE

9th August

Dear Friend and <<Partner's First Name>>,

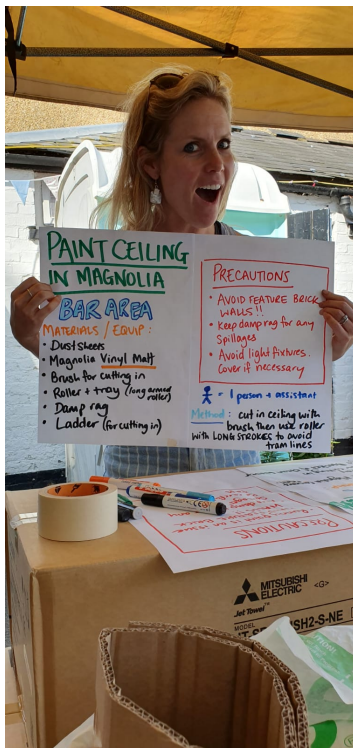
IT IS BUSY AS EVER DOWN AT THE SWAN!

It is now three weeks since our opening weekend and we have been making great progress in the bar – if you haven't been able to get down and see for yourself, read about what has been happening in our building update below.

We are really pleased to see how many members of the community have been making the most of the recent good weather to come down to The Swan and enjoy a drink in the courtyard. The bar has been open almost every day since we first opened and Matt and the team have settled into their temporary surroundings!

SATURDAY 10TH AUGUST – VOLUNTEER MORNING

This Saturday from 9am to 1pm (ish) we will be holding another volunteer morning. Tasks to be completed include, but are not limited to:



- Misting the remaining plaster in the bar.
- Painting the bar ceiling.
- Finish off stripping the bar windows.
- Dot & dab school room's remaining wall.
- Bring down ceilings in the hall area
- Remove last of the kitchen's wall plaster.
- Clean & treat the kitchen ceiling and walls.
- And of course wire stripping!

As you can see, tasks will be clearly labeled.

So, if you have a couple of hours to spare, please come down and get involved. It doesn't matter if you have never been before, we are a friendly bunch and there is always something to do for all skill levels and abilities.

SATURDAY EVENINGS IN AUGUST

Following on from the success of our BBQ evening last week, Tony and Ian will be cooking up a storm again this Saturday. Food will be served in the courtyard from 5pm to 8pm and to keep it easy all items will be £5. We will be changing the menu to keep things interesting, so please keep an eye on social media on Saturdays to see what we will be serving. There will also be vegetarian and vegan options available.

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We are aiming to run similar events on all Saturday's in August, so watch this space for weekly updates

CAR PARKING DURING THE BBQs



We are pleased to be able to announce that the committee of The Grenadier Guards Club have very kindly agreed to allow customers of The Swan to use their car park on Saturdays during our August barbecues.

There are around 30-40 spaces which will be available on a first come first served basis. It is only a three minute walk from the car park back to The Swan. If you would like to take advantage of this option, we would ask that you print off the parking permit and place it on your windscreen.

BUILDING UPDATE

There has been quite a lot going on this week both visible and behind the scenes. In the bar area, you will see the lighting being installed. From tonight, there is some lighting in the bar itself and in the ladies toilet.

The radiators too starting in the two alcoves at the front of the building. The mains distribution boards in the stables have been completed too. Work has started on the distribution board for the bar area.



The school room has had the floor sanded and is really starting to take shape. Hopefully the lighting will go in shortly to make the next big step forward.

Last week's BBQ has accelerated the pace in the kitchen. The last of the ceiling was removed, the internal walls and door removed, and the part of the plaster removed. The stainless steel has been removed and stored.

However, we have found some rot and mould that needs to be dried out, fully cleaned with bleach & other cleaning materials, and treated with boron before we can proceed.



We had a slight hiccup with the ladies hand dryer, with a much larger one being installed than was originally intended. This will be corrected shortly.

THE THAMES PATH CHALLENGE



Alex Loveless is one of our week day volunteers at The Swan and also works closely with The Green Room School. Having never run a marathon before, Alex has decided to take on Day 2 of [The Thames Path Challenge](#) on behalf of The Swan via The Green Room charity. This is a sponsored 50 km (31 mile!) race along the Thames tow path from Runnymede to Henley on Sunday 8th September.

If you would like to show your support for Alex and The Swan, please visit his [Just Giving](#) page. You can also see updates on the progress of his training – warning though you can get exhausted just reading about what he is up to!

All sponsorship collected will be going towards phase II of our renovation work - development of the kitchen facilities.

SWAN POLO SHIRTS & POSTERS

We are currently taking orders and payment for the next run of polo shirts. All shirts are £15 each and come in a wide range of adult sizes. We will have these available to view at our BBQ this Saturday, but you can also speak to the bar staff during the week if you are interested.

After all of the brilliant feedback on our logo and many requests for copies of the posters currently in the pub, we now have a limited number of A3 size unframed prints available for £7 each. Come and get one before they go!

PUB OPENING TIMES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday 11am 'til 10pm

Sunday 2pm 'til 10pm

We hope to see you down at The Swan over the weekend.

Warm regards,

Will & Richard



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