

BAM BULLETIN

Garden News

BAM Kid's Garden Club

The club had a very successful initial meeting in August and subsequently at the September meeting a new bird house was unveiled – built by Justin and designed by BAM kids.

The club dates for the remainder of the year are 24 October - 21 November - 12 December from 4 to 5 pm. meeting at the Estate Office.

For further information please contact Cat Meister-Campbell at catmp@dircon.co.uk.

Window Box Competition

The window boxes have been judged by the gardening team, and the following awards made:

Gold:	Patricia Youngstein.	89MM
Silver:	Sandra Cohen.	61MM
Joint Bronze:	Linde Leung 18MM and Heidi Goldsmith 25BM.	

The winners have received John Lewis vouchers.

Hedgehog Rescue

Through the London Wildlife Trust, James has been informed by an ecology expert that our plans for introducing hedgehogs to our gardens are inappropriate.

Apparently the female hedgehog requires a range of approx. 10 hectares, whilst the male hedgehog requires approx. 30 hectares. To achieve those distance the hedgehogs would be crossing some very busy roads, such as West End Lane and Finchley Road. Their long term survival would therefore be doubtful.

We will therefore not be introducing hedgehogs.

Unsupervised Children

The gardeners are concerned that they and other staff may be perceived by parents as being there to supervise their children. Parents must be aware that they cannot assume the staff are looking out for their children, as it is not

the staffs responsibility to do so and their attention will be on carrying out their duties.

Major Works, Cannon Hill

The Major Works to 35-45 Avenue Mansions, and 33-37 and 38-47 Marlborough Mansions have been seriously delayed by the wettest summer since 1912. But recent good weather has enabled us to catch up a bit and, if the good weather now holds, we should finish the work by the end of October.

Hi-Vis sleeveless waistcoats, with the logo 'BAM Major Works' on the back have been issued to all those working on the Major Works scaffolds so that they can be easily identified. We have also bought smart new safety helmets headed 'BAM Estate' available for those employed by us on the Estate.

Neighbourhood News

Redevelopment –Kidderpore Avenue

Following feedback from public consultation exercises the architects are redesigning elements of the proposals for redevelopment on the site of Kings College Hampstead Campus, and further public exhibitions will be held over the next few months before a planning application is prepared.

BAM Residents' Association

We will shortly be announcing a meeting of the BAM Residents' Association when we shall be discussing these issues.

Parking Information

<https://forms.camden.gov.uk/cus/servlet/ep.sub?auth=0&new=yes&group=149389>

If you sign up to this, Camden will email you whenever there are suspensions to parking in your area. You can put in Cannon Hill, Lyncroft

Gardens, Heath Drive etc. and you can put in up to 10 roads.

Halloween

Ghosts, witches and more will be attracted to this year's **SPOOKY** Halloween on 31st October. They will meet in the main gardens in front of the Estate Office at 4 pm. If you give a treat, these gruesome monsters will go away. If not, you get a blood-curdling fright! Get your treats ready. If you are willing to open your door, please contact Cat Meister-Campbell on 07958 675 537 or Nikki at the Estate Office on 020 7419 1113

Entrance Steps

Following lengthy public consultation the Board have decided to replace the existing stone steps with granite steps. The first block to get a new set of steps will be 35-45 Avenue Mansions, and the work will be carried out in October.

Internal CCTV

To improve security to the blocks we are installing colour CCTV cameras within the entrance lobbies to record all those visiting the blocks. The images are recorded centrally so they can be reviewed if necessary. The images will be monitored in the Estate Office. The first blocks to be fitted out are 35-45 Avenue Mansions and 33 to 95 Marlborough Mansions, and over the next year or two cameras will be installed in all the other blocks.

Children's Book Club

The Children's book club is continuing in the new school year. Currently a group of 7- 8 year olds have been meeting enthusiastically every month and having some good discussions on classics such as "Pippi Longstocking" and "Babe". Madhuri Pai, a BAM resident, is more than happy to start more groups. Interested parents of children between 5 and 11 years can contact her at 07889718839.

Lost and Found

A Collection of Euro2012 football cards has been found in the gardens. Would the owner please collect from the Estate Office. They will have to name all the footballers to prove ownership!

BAM Estate Library

If you have books that you no longer want, consider donating them to the BAM library. Do come in to the Estate Office to browse through and borrow some books from our small library. There is also a small children's section that we hope can be expanded.

Looking for...

Advertise your **search** or your **availability** here free of charge. Send your advertisements (50 words max) to communicate@bamestate.co.uk or drop it into the Estate office or call Graham Hamilton on 020 7419 1112.

Babysitter Available: My name is Daria, I am a pupil at City of London School For Girls. If you need a babysitter or someone to help your child with reading and homework, please contact me on 07532328629 or email dlkoren@aol.com

Selling 4 Banham Collapsible Security Gates: All gates are painted white. Approximate sizes are: 1 x 180cm wide 196cm high. 1 x 140cm wide 196cm high. 2 x 74cm wide 196cm high. Price for the lot is £1,300 (roughly 50% of price if bought new), could also sell them individually. If interested, please call Michele on 07788 414691.

Cleaning Lady / Nanny available: We live in Marlborough Mansions and our cleaning lady Berna is looking for more work. She speaks good English and Spanish, can iron and is reliable, methodical and punctual. She can also babysit children who are 1 years or older and has references. If interested, please contact Berna directly (07 440 386 168 or 07 964 041 002; anishakhan_1017@yahoo.com)