



Every year Culmore looks forward to the Summer Festival . This year due to COVID restrictions the usual fanfare could not be held. Culmore Community Partnership came up with the idea of holding a virtual festival to engage a community in lockdown and lift the spirits of the people. This idea blossomed into the Culmore Cloud Festival with loads of interesting online content, a socially distanced Cartoon Parade with participation from the Mayor and culminating in a hugely successful Night at the Movies , an outdoor movie screening at Thornhill College. CCP was delighted at the enthusiastic participation of all of the Culmore community, especially the volunteers who tirelessly worked to make the idea a successful reality. The event was funded by DCSDC Community Festival Fund.



The Mayor, Cllr Brian Tierney joined by local children at our socially distanced Cartoon Parade (Left). Local children and Cllr Dobbins enjoy meeting Mickey Mouse at our Cartoon Parade. (Right).

Good Relations Multi-cultural Event

Our first community event since we opened the Hall was held during Community Relations Week 2020. We were joined by some local groups for an evening of roundtable discussions with representatives from the Filipino, Indian, Polish and Chinese communities. We enjoyed Chinese and Bollywood dancing and learned about the culture, traditions and food of these countries. We were delighted to be joined by the Mayor of Derry and Strabane Councillor Brian Tierney, on this special occasion. The event was funded by Derry City & Strabane District Council.



Local people and performers were joined by the Mayor Cllr, Brian Tierney to enjoy our Multicultural evening .



Culmore Craft & Tourism Collective hosted an art class at the Culmore Community Hub in September as part of the UNESCO Learning Day for Ireland 2020. Watch their video at www.learningcityds.com

Building Resilience in our Community

Culmore Community Partnership has been working in partnership with the local Culmore FC and Culmore Cu Chulainns GAA to explore the key issues of building good relations between children in Culmore and tackling the mental health issues experienced by these youngsters as a result of Covid-19. As soon as current Covid-19 restrictions allow, we will be delivering a programme that will provide the opportunity for a group of 12 children aged between 8-11 years old to learn how to be more mentally resilient, and to have the skills and knowledge to maintain good mental and emotional health. By bringing together children from the Protestant and Catholic communities we will provide an opportunity to work towards building a more cohesive community in Culmore. This programme has been funded through Derry City & Strabane District Council's Good Relations T:BUC programme.

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