



Cancer Awareness Day Celebrated

BY ASIAN LITE NEWS

The Mayor of Harrow invited local residents to join him for a cup of coffee as he took part in Macmillan's World's Biggest Coffee Morning on Friday the 24th of September.

Mayor Councillor Asad Omar welcomed guests into the Members' Lounge, in the Civic Centre, to indulge in some coffee and cake from 10am-1pm. Thousands of similar events took place simultaneously across

the country in a bid to raise millions of pounds for charity Macmillan Cancer Support.

Six cancer charities were invited – Ovarian Cancer Action, The Eve Project and OVA-COME, Macmillan Cancer Support, The Male Cancer Awareness Campaign and St Mark's Hospital Foundation - to the coffee morning to raise awareness of their work. Another four charities sent information packs and leaflets to be displayed.

Gynaecological can-

cers are the world's fourth largest cancer killer of women. Every year a million women are diagnosed with a gynaecological cancer worldwide.

Kiran Singh who lives in Harrow and runs her own interior design company lost her mother to cancer in April 2004. At the mayor's meet, she represented The Eve Appeal & Ovacome as Regional Ovarian Cancer Co-ordinator.

She joined The Eve Appeal & Ovacome in August 2010 in the memory of her mother and to help and support others going through this. Kiran now works towards promoting the charity and raise awareness of signs and symptoms of the deadly disease. "We want Asian women to know that they are not alone and we can help them with friendship and support," she says.

In the UK, 18,000 women are diagnosed

and nearly 7,500 women die every year. And yet, awareness and funding of gynaecological cancers remains low.

"Our current focus is to raise vital funds for research into prevention, detection, treatment and care of ovarian cancer. This world-leading research is complicated and challenging but the ambition is simple: to identify techniques that could halve death rates from ovarian cancer. The Eve Appeal's vision is a future in which fewer women are diagnosed with, and more women survive, gynaecological cancers," she explains.

For information call The Eve Appeal on 0207 299 4430 or send an e-mail to office@eveappeal.org.uk. If you need to speak to a professional, call Ovacome on 0207 299 6654 or send an e-mail to : ovacome@ovacome.org.uk.

Students protest against fees hike

BY AHMAD SHARIQ KHAN

National Union of students came down heavily on the recently released Lord Browne's review of higher education funding and Student Finance.

Commenting on the release of the review, Aaron Porter, NUS President said: "If adopted, Lord Browne's review would hand universities a blank cheque and force the next generation to pick up the tab for devastating cuts to higher education. The only thing students and their families would stand to gain from higher fees would be higher debts."

Lord Browne, the former head of BP, recently released his report outlining the biggest reforms of higher education in half a century.

Under Lord Browne's blueprint, universities will be given a free hand to charge as much as they wish for degrees – with students better able to assess the value of their education by gaining more information about their career prospects. He insists the proposals were designed to balance the costs and benefits of the system more fairly.

"A market in course prices between universities would increasingly pressure students to make decisions based on cost rather than academic ability or ambition. Those already feeling the pinch will clearly be unwilling to take such a gamble and face being priced out of the universities that would opt to charge sky-high fees."

There is no clear assurance that a hike in fees would improve student choice or quality and the evidence since fees tripled

four years ago shows that neither student satisfaction nor quality has improved. Universities have not made the case for what they would do with more."

The National Union of Students (NUS) called on the Government to 'rethink' the Browne Review. A recent Sun/YouGov opinion poll showed higher tuition fees would be unpopular with voters. Approval for the Coalition Government fell from +4 to -7 in just a day in the wake of Lord Browne's review of fees. The poll also showed that the public oppose Lord Browne's recommendations on student fees by 45% to 37%.

A separate ICM/Sunday Telegraph opinion poll on Sunday showed 61% of voters back a graduate tax while 29% would rather see higher tuition fees.

"Lord Browne is clearly dangerously out of touch with the pressures faced by students and their families. The government must reject proposals that would recklessly undermine our future by ending the notion of public higher education," Porter added.

Birmingham Uni Students respond to Browne Students at the Guild of Students, University of Birmingham, recently made their response clear to the recommendations published in the Browne Review into higher education funding.

Joining together to 'say no' to the removal of a cap on fees, students gathered in protest

Earlier, outside the University Library, Edgbaston Campus, to make their voice heard.



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