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Good News for New Settlers

English for New Settlers is a 3 year project, offering free English courses to adults who are not eligible for mainstream learning. The courses are organized by **Community Development Initiative (CDI)** & are located in a number of centres in Old Trafford & neighboring areas. The project has been highly successful, attracting 125 students in its first year. Majority of the students have lived in the UK for less than 3 years & come from diverse backgrounds - over 34 countries of origin

to library, post office, leisure centre & shopping mall in order to familiarise students with local facilities & services. This has helped to improve their confidence & increased their knowledge of life in the UK.



By the end of the course, students have typically made new friends & are better able to interact with neighbours, teachers, shopkeepers as well as other family members. Individual reports from the students show that the project is having a positive impact on people's lives.

At the end of year1: 36 students joined the library, 12 progressed to further courses, 7 found jobs and 2 passed their driving test!



The success of the project is largely due to dedicated staff, tutors & volunteers who have worked hard to achieve these fantastic results!!!

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Free childcare and crèche facilities enabled parents with young children to participate in courses and activities.



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Pictured here are students who have completed a course at Entry 3 level (above). Val Gray, Head of Firwood Children's Centre, presenting the certificates (below)



A Big Thank You to all partners & organisations who supported & continue to support, the New Settlers Project.
New Courses Starting from September 2011

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