

Riverside learners hit the roof for presentation

Learners from the Riverside Chinese community celebrated receiving their certificates from YMCA Wales Community College in style on 4th July - by literally hitting the roof with them (see attached image)!

The presentation to celebrate the efforts of older learners was held at St Mary's Church hall in Canton by the Cardiff Chinese Elderly Association. Certificates of Attendance, OCN Awards and one of the YMCA College's Learner of The Year awards were presented.

The College enjoys a close working relationship with the **South Riverside Community Development Centre** in Cardiff. In partnership with the centre, the College has worked closely with the Chinese community to develop the popular 'IT for Chinese over 50s' course, as well as a programme of English classes.

With the help of tutor Dominic Chow, much of the course documentation was able to be translated into Chinese, and electronic writing tablets were purchased to improve the learners IT skills.

The College intends to continue working with the **SRCDC** to provide courses for the Chinese community next term, with plans in place to upgrade many of the current courses to OCN accredited qualifications.

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(p.t.o. for **Editors Notes & Picture**)

Editors Notes

- YMCA Wales Community College is a further education institution that provides community-based learning for people wishing to re-engage with education.
- All courses are held at venues in the community and are delivered by local tutors. This provides a comfortable, familiar learning environment which appeals to everyone from school leavers to retired people looking to learn new skills.
- The key goal of the College is to enable all students to live more fulfilled lives while contributing to the life of their community.
- The Cardiff Chinese Elderly Association meets weekly at St. Mary's Church Hall in Canton and holds a monthly birthday celebration for its members.



The learners celebrate in style, joined by Allan Herbert representing the SRCDC and Margaret Jones, Head of YMCA Wales Community College (Front Row).