

New name for café draws on past memories



Visitors to the popular Foxlowe Arts Café may notice that it has had a subtle re-naming.

Now known as 'The Drawing Room', the café staff and volunteers are all kitted out in new aprons bearing the new name, with menus also being redesigned to reflect the brand.

The name is in reference to an article written in 1937 by Frank Green entitled 'The House – by the Small Boy of the Market Place', about his memories of The Foxlowe as a house in the 1880s.

A quote from the article said: "The next room to this was the Drawing Room, its large bowed window from floor to ceiling took up the end wall and looked over the park and Roaches.

"It had an elaborate gilt cornice from which hung green brocade curtains with heavy cords and tassels."

The cost of the new aprons has been

kindly contributed to by the GatewaySHED, an organisation which is situated on the grounds of the Foxlowe. Chairman of the Foxlowe Trustees, Chris Thompson, said: "The café already has a great reputation for its fare and as a meeting place.

"We wanted to reflect this and chose the Drawing Room from a list of suggested

names.

"We have a great team of staff and volunteers who make the café a success and they have all reacted positively to the re-brand.

"It's all about continuous improvement.

"We have made big changes to our food offering in 2019 and we are always looking at ways to improve."



Exhibition space for Ethan

Ethan Lemon, an aspiring artist, has been exhibiting his latest creations at the Foxlowe Arts Centre.

Ethan, aged 19 from Bid-dulph, is on the Princes Youth Trust Enterprise scheme, and as part of the initiative, he is assigned a business mentor, Jed Eatough director of Leek based LSGK Accountants, who helps with all aspects of business development. Jed has been encouraging

Ethan to get out and network with other businesses to broaden his business contacts, and it was as a direct consequence of networking that Ethan secured recent exhibition space at the Foxlowe Arts Centre Café.

He met Mark Brammar who rents a space in the Creative Hub on the top floor of the Foxlowe Arts Centre, who invited Ethan to have a look around the Foxlowe where he met volunteers who look after the café gallery programming. Luckily for Ethan there was a vacancy for an exhibitor due to a cancellation. Usually it would be at least a year's wait to secure an exhibitor spot.

Ethan said: "I was amazed at how getting out and meeting other businesses could help me get such exposure for my art."

The exhibition of Ethan's work was on show at the Foxlowe arts Café until recently.



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