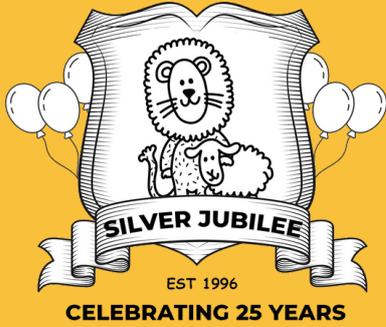
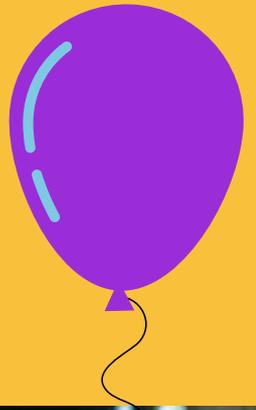


DANIEL'S DEN



THE LAUNCH

DANIEL'S DEN SILVER JUBILEE -
CELEBRATING 25 YEARS



On Saturday November 13th, 2021, Daniel's Den launched its year of celebrations for its Silver Jubilee with an exhibition, launch ceremony and Family Fun Festival. This took place at St Andrews Church in Sudbury, the current base for Daniel's Den.



In the launch ceremony, past and current members/partners shared about the impact of Daniel's Den on their lives – these were often very heartfelt, and it was clear how much Daniel's Den has contributed to enriching family life and society. Surina Singh, aged twenty-one, shared about her memories of Daniel's Den as a toddler including the giraffe on the storage cupboard door and how these experiences have helped shape who she is today. Joanne Wright shared how she had been too anxious to come to a group due to previous experiences but how coming on the recommendation of a friend has transformed her life. Her experiences as a volunteer had given her so much confidence and now, she has a job that gives her family opportunities she never thought possible. Lord Paul Boateng sent a message from the House of Lords via video and congratulated Daniels Den 'you've done so very well, so very much for families in Northwest London.'

The Ceremony



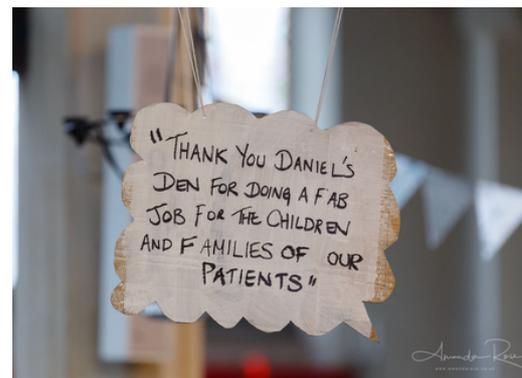
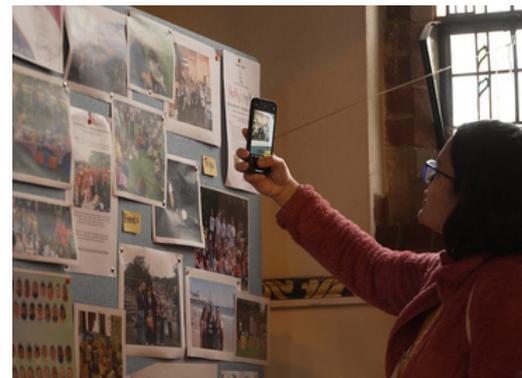
Lord Paul Boateng, MP



**Rev. Mary Hawes -
National Children's
Adviser - CoE**



The Exhibition



The exhibition took the form of a timeline which detailed the progress of the charity over 25 years. An array of speech bubbles from families/partners hung over the various boards which also showed pictures and stories of 'Then and Now' including families, volunteers and activities. The many visitors - former and present families as well as members of the community were impressed to see all the artefacts, especially the toys that were over 20 years old and still in use.

The Family Festival



The Family Fun Festival was attended by many families, and they enjoyed the bouncy castle, face painting, crafts, singing, storytelling etc as well as home made bakes and hot drinks. The event ended with the Great Daniel's Den Bake Off and the winning cake, in the shape of a purple hat, made by Lisa Price was the official birthday cake and was cut by Jo Gordon and her son Joshua Gordon.



50p Early Bird price (@ session) £2 at the door

Daniel's Den
SILVER JUBILEE
Celebrating 25 years
FAMILY FESTIVAL

Bouncy Castle - Disco
Face painting - Games
Crafts - Bake Sale
Exhibition & More!

SAT 13.Nov.21
1-5pm

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL,
956 Harrow Rd, Wembley HA0 2QA

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Jo Gordon, the founder, and CEO of Daniel's Den was overwhelmed by the launch event. 'It far surpassed our hopes, and it was such a delight to see so many people there. Putting the exhibition together took a lot of hard work and the whole event was a real demonstration of TEAM - Together Everyone Achieves More. I was especially thrilled to see former toddlers now volunteering and carrying the vision of Daniel's Den forward. We hope to continue our celebrations throughout the year and take our exhibition into other public places. Toddler groups are often referred to as the 'hidden treasure' of the nation and we feel it is vital the community knows about the impact one group can have. I want to say a huge thank you for everyone who has bene involved in the past 25 years and look forward to the next twenty-five.'

THANKS

The biggest thanks to:

- Daniel's Den Volunteer Team

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- Rev Greville Thomas & St Andrew's Church

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