



## Shishu Kishor Club

# Annual Report 2024-2025

*\*\*Photographic Evidence for some of the fixtures outlined in this document are present at the end of the main body, please see this for verification.\*\**

### Bengali Language Class

Due to unforeseen variable costs, we have had to relocate our Bengali School Classes to St. Peter's Church - Parish Centre, with them returning to their usual 5PM to 7PM on Thursdays. For students unable to attend in person, we also have the capacity to provide remote teaching sessions via Zoom, arranged according to each attendee's convenience.

### Events

On occasion, SKC runs community events with invitations open to those with active memberships as well as those who are students of the Bengali Language Classes, who are also encouraged to present performances.. These can include...

- **Dinner Party:** SKC began the year with a dinner gathering, bringing together members and Bengali Language students for an evening of food, performances, and community spirit.
- **Eid Party (April 13):** A large Eid celebration took place, featuring cultural performances, food, and social activities for members and their families.
- **Boishakhi Mela (June 28):** SKC took part in the Boishakhi Mela, celebrating Bengali New Year with music, food, and vibrant cultural displays.
- **Bortha Party (June 29):** Members enjoyed a traditional Bortha-themed food event, highlighting Bengali cuisine and community connection.
- **V v Cooking Session (September 22):** Members participated in an interactive cooking class focused on traditional dishes, promoting teamwork and shared learning.
- **Cooking Session:** A second cooking session was held on October 5th, where participants prepared lasagne and egg pudding, blending Bengali and Western tastes.
- **Fire Engine Activities:** Two educational and interactive "Fire Engine" sessions were organised, engaging members in safety awareness through fun, hands-on experiences.
- **Curry Chemistry Eat Out:** A social dining event at local restaurant "Curry Chemistry" encouraged members to connect over shared meals and lively conversation.
- **Walderslade Eat Out:** A second dinner outing in Walderslade allowed members to relax and build closer social ties in an informal setting.



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### Outings

Compared to the last few years, there have been significantly less outings due to train service strikes and last-minute bad weather. However, SKC still managed to arrange several enjoyable get-togethers and meetups at restaurants, parks etc.

- **Jackson's Park Meetup (April 27):** We hosted a casual outdoor get-together where members and families met for picnic snacks and food while socialising.
- **Folkestone Seaside Trip (July 7):** We organised a major summer outing featuring a seaside picnic and food at Folkestone, organised in collaboration with Canterbury Street Mosque, with coach travel provided.
- **Dover Castle Trip (July 27):** Our members explored Dover Castle on a sunny summer day, enjoying historical tours and scenic views.
- **Caravan Trip:** Between July 28th and August 1st, a few members of SKC participated in a caravan trip, allowing them a chance to relax, bond, and enjoy the outdoors.

### Ongoing Activities

- **Close Connections Programme:** Starting on September 10, SKC launched "Close Connections" — a weekly Wednesday session at Rochester Library from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, aimed at reducing social isolation and supporting wellbeing. These sessions were smoothly coordinated alongside the monthly library meetings to maintain efficiency and engagement.
- **Monthly SKC Meetings:** Regular monthly committee meetings continued, often held via phone to maintain consistency and communication across projects.

### Sponsorship

From October 2024, Momotaz Ahmed has been appointed as the Director for the MDF Board of Directors, a role previously held by other members of our community, including Ms. Ruhena Ruji and Tahmina Rahman. SKC members have been engaging with various activities associated with MDF.

SKC has also become a proud member of the Medway Corporate Giving Fund, supported by the Kent Community Foundation, strengthening local partnerships and allowing for bigger and better projects in the coming year.

### Sports and Fitness



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We have continued to deliver swimming sessions weekly which allows for our women to exercise regularly without too much strain.

Additionally, SKC has begun to promote healthy living through regular Zumba and exercise classes in collaboration with MDF. These sessions provide a fun and welcoming environment for participants of all ages to stay active and connect socially.

### Community Volunteering

A portion of our members commit to regular charity work to help the people who need it most. Shishu Kishor Club has been aiding such people with their work to further popularise the problems people are facing every day.

Many members of SKC are still collecting unused food items from commercial chains such as Tesco and Co-Op - which would normally go to waste and delivering them to the homeless and the needy.

On July 12th, SKC members volunteered and supported the Medway Park Ladies' Group picnic, celebrating ethnic diversity and women's wellbeing.

### Memberships

Those who attend events run by SKC are encouraged to attain a membership that allows them to participate in future events and trips. This year, SKC proudly welcomed over 50 new members into the community.-

### Future Plans

- Expand our range of activities for women in South Asian Communities, disabled families, and other disadvantaged groups.
- Organise a large-scale trip for all members to access and enjoy themselves in the holidays with their families. - COMPLETE
- Increase the frequency of cooking sessions throughout the year - COMPLETE
- Planning on starting an exercise / Zumba class of our own in Parish Church Hall - we have been communicating with our members and the hall management team to pick a perfect time and day for these sessions - COMPLETE
- We hope to continue our library meetings every month, and our normal scheduled monthly meetings to support community engagement.





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### Photographic Evidence



# **SHISHU KISHOR CLUB**

## **REPORTS & ACCOUNTS**

For the year ended 5th April 2025

**SHISHU KISHOR CLUB****INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

For the year ended 5th April 2025

<b><u>INCOME - Ordinary Activities &amp; Funding</u></b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Grants (Awards For All 2024)/(CVS 2025)	1,300	10,000
Membership	369	405
Swimming	616	778
Bangla School Fee	63	112
Donations	60	60
Sewing	0	38
Events	158	260
Eid Party	0	188
<b>TOTAL RECIEPTS</b>	<b><u>2,566</u></b>	<b><u>11,841</u></b>
<b><u>EXPENSE - Ordinary Activities</u></b>		
Staff Wages (Bangla)	0	1,715
Equipment	0	30
Venue Hire	415	781
Swimming	1,073	2,167
Admin	135	1,670
Taxi	0	102
Insurance	837	112
Medway Council	0	180
Sewing	150	0
Trip	214	0
Events	70	0
Other Expense	102	154
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>2,996</u></b>	<b><u>6,911</u></b>
<b><u>NET SURPLUS</u></b>	<b><u>-430</u></b>	<b><u>4,930</u></b>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES**  
For the year ended 5th April 2025

<u>ASSETS</u>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Cash at Bank	15658	16087
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
None		
<u>NET ASSETS</u>	<u><b>15658</b></u>	<u><b>16087</b></u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUND</u>		
Opening Fund	16087	11157
Surplus for the year	-430	4930
<u>CLOSING FUND</u>	<u><b>15658</b></u>	<u><b>16087</b></u>

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

We approve these statements as set out on the attached pages and certify that we have made available all relevant business records kept and maintained by ourselves, and given the necessary information and explanations related to the activities in their preparation.

We confirm that the above are complete and accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief. The final details can be submitted to the Charity Commission as signed and dated on this page on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

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**TRUSTEE 1: Luvna Rahman (Treasurer)**

Signed:  Dated: 17th October 2025

**TRUSTEE 2: Nilufa Chowdhury (Chairperson)**

Signed:  Dated: 17th October 2025



## **SHISHU KISHOR CLUB**

### **INFORMATION & REFERENCES**

Legal Status	SORP Exempt Charity
Charity Name	Shishu Kishor Club
Address	6 Milton Road, Gillingham, Kent. ME7 5LN
Accounting Period	6th April 2024 to 5th April 2025

### **REPORTING ACCOUNTS PERSON**

I certify that the attached unaudited statements have been prepared as per the provided underlying records, information and explanations given.  
The report is based in accordance there with addressed strictly to the beneficiaries only and any reliance by third parties are wholly excluded in the context of audit opinion and related assurance.

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Dated: 17th October 2025