

**Vidya Jyoti's Annual Gala –  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September, we celebrated Vidya Jyoti's 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday at Peter Chennel's Hall, Greenford. It was a grand and memorable occasion with some fantastic performances by musicians who had given up their time to be with us. We were even privileged to have some musicians who had played alongside famous Bollywood singers! The evening was enjoyed by all and Vidya Jyoti was able to showcase its achievements thus far and to gain the support of many more donors.



**Gandhi Jayanti – hygiene kit distribution**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October marked the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi and on this auspicious occasion, hygiene kits were distributed to 705 women and adolescent girls in Bihar and a village in Rajasthan



called Rajasmund. The hygiene kits consisted of a toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, sanitary towels, nail clippers and other essential items which these women would benefit from.

Although these seem like very basic items, many of our poorer families do not have access to such items or are not in a position to afford them which is why they were greatly appreciated.



**Diwali Tea Party for Community Connex - Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2021**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> was an afternoon full of fun and laughter for all who attended our Diwali party at Community Connex.

There were Diwali based arts and crafts activities such as tealight CD decorating, toran making, icing biscuits and creating rangolis with colourful rice. The guests enjoyed a variety of food and drink and loved taking part in the Diwali story telling session. This was followed by singing and dancing which reluctantly took us to the end of our party.

We were so privileged to have spent our afternoon with such lovely guests and we look forward to many more events with Community Connex.





### **Diwali blanket distribution**

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November, for The Hindu festival of Diwali, Gopal Singh Rathore and his team of volunteers distributed 510 blankets to needy families in Rajasthan.

500 blankets were also distributed in the poor states of Bihar by Chandan Kumar and his team. We are so grateful to have people like Gopal Singh and Chandan Kumar on our team who are working wholeheartedly to make such endeavours possible for us.

