

News release

## Unity 101 Community Radio & Mount Pleasant Junior School

***Run Away stories - Start date Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 4.15pm***

Unity 101 Community radio is delighted to forge a partnership with Mount Pleasant Junior School. Starting Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 4.15 pm and then every Thursday the 56 Children aged between 9 to 10 years old will read live on air their own written Run Away stories for all to enjoy. Full training is provided to help these children to speak clearly, as none of them have been on radio, further encouragement and support has come from Michael O'Leary, a local professional story teller who also has voiced the introduction to the stories aired.

"It is vital that all ages are given an opportunity to air their voice, this partnership further endorses our thinking behind the radio station" said Ram Kalyan "Kelly" the project and Station Manager of Unity 101 Community Radio

"We are very excited about this opportunity for our children to develop their communication skills with a real audience. Broadcasting their work on local radio will inspire and motivate them to produce better stories and encourage them to speak with greater clarity. The training they will receive from the staff at Unity 101 Community radio will no doubt build their confidence in public speaking. This is really important for all children but particularly our children for most of whom, English is not their home language. Within the target group the languages spoken are Punjabi, Bengali, Urdu, Somali, Polish, Farsi, Latvian and Gujarati. The stories written by the children will reflect the diverse cultural heritage within the group", said John Wells the head teacher of Mount Pleasant Junior School.

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More detailed information can be found on our website [www.unity101.org](http://www.unity101.org)

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