

## YSP UK's first event of the year, a Community Swap after Sunday Service

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YSP (Youth and Students for Peace) UK successfully held its first event of the year with a Community Swap after Sunday Service. The back room was filled with pre-loved gems lovingly donated and picked up by someone new.

It was a wonderful afternoon with people bringing clothes and household goods, conversing and even suggesting items people should take home. Many people who attended had exclaimed "I've been needing to clear out my house" and found the swap very beneficial. The core team also engaged and took many items home. Many clothes, books and appliances left behind were donated to Cancer Research in Streatham who were delighted to see everything that had been brought. The community swap enabled members to start 2024 with a clean home space as well as making sustainable choices, which helps to give more purpose to the precious resources we are given and to help take care of your environment by not taking part in overconsumption.

Some testimonies from the YSP team that organised the event-

"It was really an amazing afternoon with a great energy. Loads of friends were dressing each other up and it was a great time, whilst helping the local

communities and charities. I am also grateful for everyone who came to help set up and clear up the space, creating a perfect start for the year ahead" - Sophia N.

"The community swap was such a nice way to gather all the youth and elders together. It was so nice seeing everybody get involved and everyone even giving advice to each other. We cannot wait to hold another one." - Grace M.