



St Michael Associates

HISTORY

Founders of SMA

Mr Benn Omotayo and Dr Funmilola Omotayo were the original founders of SMA. The Management Committee now run SMA.

Organisation background

SMA has operated at several locations throughout the borough of Southwark for many years with its head office in Old Kent Road with excellent transport links such as, Bus and Train with car parking facilities at the rear of our office. SMA has been in operation since 1994 and is currently one of the most established supplementary education providers in Southwark, with a good reputation of delivering services in education to minority groups in the voluntary sector. SMA employs 15 teachers to deliver supplementary education on Saturdays; 7 day staff, inclusive of an Operations Manager who manages the day to day running of the organisation, together with a Management Committee of 12 members.

Founded in 1994, St Michael Associates (SMA) is non-profit registered charity (Registered Charity No (1062584). SMA is an established *voluntary organisation* concerned with the well being of disadvantaged, vulnerable and excluded communities. SMA creates better employment opportunities; greater independence and a better quality of life through education, support and training. SMA has a Management Committee and a Chief Executive who coordinates the activities of the organisation.

Aims

SMA is a community education project providing extra support for students aged between 4 and 18. Over 85 students attend the project for two hours on Saturday and over 65 more are currently on our waiting list. SMA also undertakes projects in schools to meet the needs of students disaffected from education. SMA provides support for BME families living with Autism. SMA's object and its principal activity continue to be the promotion and the advancement of education of the public in general. We have laid out our objectives under three themes:

- 1) EDUCATION: to promote the advancement of education of the public in general in the understanding of all aspects of education and training in schools and colleges and at all levels of the education system;
- 2) QUALITY OF LIFE: to improve the quality of life of disadvantaged pupils, young people and families in need, thus providing them with tools with which to become a useful and responsible citizen in their adult life;
- 3) INVOLVEMENT: to improve parental involvement and commitment in education opportunities and for parents and carers to become involved in supporting extra curriculum activities through advice and training.



For several years SMA was running Saturday school classes in this building in South East London



SMA head Office