

Lesvos Solidarity - Pikpa is a self-organised and autonomous space built on the principle of solidarity and in response to the refugee crisis on the island of Lesvos, Greece.

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August - September, 2016: Sharing our news

Photography Exhibition

Following our youths photography group in July, under the guidance of Marie Gillespie, a photography exhibition emerged capturing the camp's daily scenes. The young Pikpa residents, using a fresh eye, created a colourful mosaic which was enriched further by the writing of poetry.

Celebrating Olympics '16

Our own 3 days Pikpa Olympics included an opening ceremony, running races, long jump, football goals competition and a closing ceremony. Adults and children got involved equally and our winners were crowned with olive wreathes and received prizes of soda drinks and cakes.

Kindergarten at Pikpa

Our kindergarten offers a space for the Pikpa children to socialise, draw, sing and play every morning. It runs daily in collaboration with the Humanity Crew, Cathy, and Imelda. The group has come together for the camp's children between 1-8 years old and has so far been running with great success.

Efi Latsoudi wins Nansen Award 2016

This August Efi Latsoudi was named as one of two winners of the 2016 Nansen Refugee Award for her tireless work helping refugees on the Greek island of Lesvos.

[*UNHCR article*]

Emergency Accommodation of Minors

Over the tragic events at Moria Camp, the night of 19th of September, the Pikpa team was called urgently to host overnight a group of 96 minors. The operation was carried by the Pikpa team in collaboration with First Reception, Praxis and Metadrasi with great success.

[Read ekathimerini.com article](#)

Screening of Celina's work

A documentary film following Celina Kyriakou, Pikpa's amazing cook, her efforts and contribution to the Lesbos- Solidarity group was screened in late September in venues around Lesbos as part of the 4th AegeanDocs Festival.

The film was directed by Efi Sialevri and was supported by the Goethe-Institut Athens and Municipality of Lesbos following the financial contributions of EU and National funds.

[See yourself there »](#)

Eid Al-Adha 2016 Celebration

A big thank you to Al-Mumineen.org for donating the provisions for the big celebration!

This year right after dawn a team of residents prepared the festive table with 6 lambs, drinks and salads. Approximately 120 camp residents, visitors from other camps, and volunteers enjoyed and celebrated Eid lunch. Special thanks to Rafat, Mohammed and Hirollah of Humans4humanity.

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