

liveArgyll Community Learning Team

Kintyre Youth Work - May Update 2024



Action Group Youth Led Service Work

Kintyre Youth Action Group

The Kintyre LiveArgyll Youth Work Service facilitates weekly meetings with the Kintyre Youth Action Group (based in Campbeltown and Tarbert). The Action Group carry out local community projects and regularly volunteer and represent young people's views in the area by carrying out weekly meetings which involve regular focus groups and large scale youth consultations on a two yearly basis. The input from the Action Group ensures the local youth work service is entirely youth led by focussing on local youth views, issues and areas the young people would like to develop. Action Group members will hopefully be in attendance and provide a verbal update on their activities/focuses during the meeting.

Recently Completed

Friday Night 'Street Sports' Project

The second annual Friday Night 'Street Sports' Project at the Aqualibrium All Weather Pitch in Campbeltown was completed recently. This project provided a useful transitions project for P7 pupils about to move up to the Grammar by allowing them to engage in positive healthy mixed sports activities with S1 – S2 pupils and staff from various supporting organisations. Delivered in partnership with South Kintyre Active Schools, this programme was also supported by The Hub, CGS, KADAS, Police Scotland, and others who provided delivery support and allowed young people to engage with a number of services to make them more accessible and develop relationship building opportunities with young people in the local area. This time the young people took part in football, touch rugby, bowling, golf, boxing, swimming, rounders, and other activities. Continued engagement in these positive behaviours was encouraged with young people who completed the programme earning themselves a day trip to Glasgow on the 11th of April to take part in fun activities such as trampolining and laser tag. Feedback on the programme from young people and parents/guardians below:

Feedback From Young People (42 of the 50 who took part)

Outcome	Yes
Physically fitter and healthier than before	32
Feel more positive about my mental health than before	31
Feel more confident in myself than before	32
Better able to try new things than before	33
Better able to make new friends than before	30
Improved my core skills (e.g. communication/teamwork)	36

Know more trusted adults I can speak to if I need support	39
Feel more connected and part of my community than before	36
More likely to take part in positive activities than before	36
Better able to make positive choices and less likely to engage in negative behaviours than before	31

Feedback From Parents/Guardians (9 responses in total)

Outcome	Yes
Had a positive enjoyable experience	9
Physically fitter and healthier than before	5
Feel more positive about my young person's mental health than before	3
Feel more confident in themself than before	6
Better able to try new things than before	7
Better able to make new friends than before	4
Improved my core skills (e.g. communication/teamwork)	2
Know more trusted adults they can speak to if they need support	8
More likely to take part in positive activities than before	5
Better able to make positive choices and less likely to engage in negative behaviours than before	4



Kintyre Youth Filmmaking Project

Another recently completed project was our Youth Filmmaking Project. Funded by the Campbeltown Community Windfarm Fund (CCWF), this project was delivered by experienced filmmaker Alasdair Satchel and the young people learned about and practiced film composition, continuity shots, editing, narrative development/story telling, stop motion animation, conveying emotions, sensory exploration, and many other elements of film-making to create their own short films. We are currently exploring an extension project for the young people to continue their creativity, whilst also getting ready to see their creations on the big screen at Campbeltown Picture House. Feedback from the young participants below:

Feedback from Young People (10 of the 13 who took part)

Outcome	Yes
I enjoyed the programme – it was fun	10
Creative expression supports my mental health	7
Improved confidence and self-esteem	8
More motivated to pursue film-making as a regular pastime	10
Better able to try new things	9
Better able to make new friends	9
Improved core skills (e.g. communication/team work etc)	9
Better able to spend my free time positively	9
Feel more positive about my learning	9
Understand my progress through the programme	10



Easter 'GIVE' Programme

Kintyre Youth Action Group members have just completed their Easter 'GIVE' youth volunteering activities. In both Campbeltown and Tarbert, the group completed litter picks, made foodbank donations, and hosted activities for elderly residents of local care homes/sheltered housing complexes. For their hard work, the group then went on a day trip to Glasgow where they took part in trampolining, Climbzone, and shopping at Braehead.

Recently Started Projects

Campbeltown Grammar School – Dynamic Youth Awards

Many students in Campbeltown Grammar School are currently being supported to complete Dynamic Youth Award's for a variety of learning experiences, including all the S1's and S2's completing them for their outdoor learning activities, as well as other students completing them for other learning achievements. This provides young people with an opportunity to achieve accreditation for learning achievements

out with the mainstream curriculum and includes work with young people who are currently struggling to access mainstream learning.

Regular Ongoing Projects

- Music Group
- Writing Group
- Inclusion Group
- MSYP Support

Upcoming Projects before the Next CPP Meeting

- Rainbowfest – annual LGBTQ+ (diversity and inclusion) celebration event at the Victoria Hall (Campbeltown) on Saturday the 8th of June
- Campbeltown Skateboarding Project
- Weekend Intervention Project
- Other projects – to be determined by the Action Group and other local young people in response to youth views and issues.

