



Progress Report to Prudhoe Town Council - 29th September 2022

Summer Holiday Activities 2022

We had a busy summer offering at least 2 summer camp sessions and 1 trip a week for the whole 6 weeks. We wanted to offer longer sessions, so we extended the time from the previous year, and we wanted to make sure each child got a meal while they were with us.

- Summer Camp sessions were held at different venues, Eastwood Park, The Methodist Church, and the Parish Hall. This was done to break down barriers between different areas of Prudhoe. We hoped that this would allow our sessions to be more accessible.

Each venue had different assets that we would utilise, for example we would always use the kitchen at the parish hall to provide young people with cookery sessions and a hot meal, Eastwood Park gave us the outside space to play games and provide sporting activities and the Methodist basement room has a chilled vibe with a pool table and games tables to promote socialising time. The total attendances for our Summer Camp sessions were 212.



- We completed 5 successful trips which included Kirkley Hall Zoo, Falconry Days (bird of prey centre), Canny Crafty and Ice Cream at Wheelbirks, A day in the woods with Natures Living Room CIC and Surfing at South Shields. Our trips were aimed at our current term time users with remaining spaces filled by new young people. We wanted to offer trips out of the area, give young people new experiences and promote positive time with peers and youth workers. We know that for some of our young people these trips were the only time they went away in the



holidays. The trips were heavily funded, and we only asked for a small contribution from parents/carers. Total attendances for our trips were 131

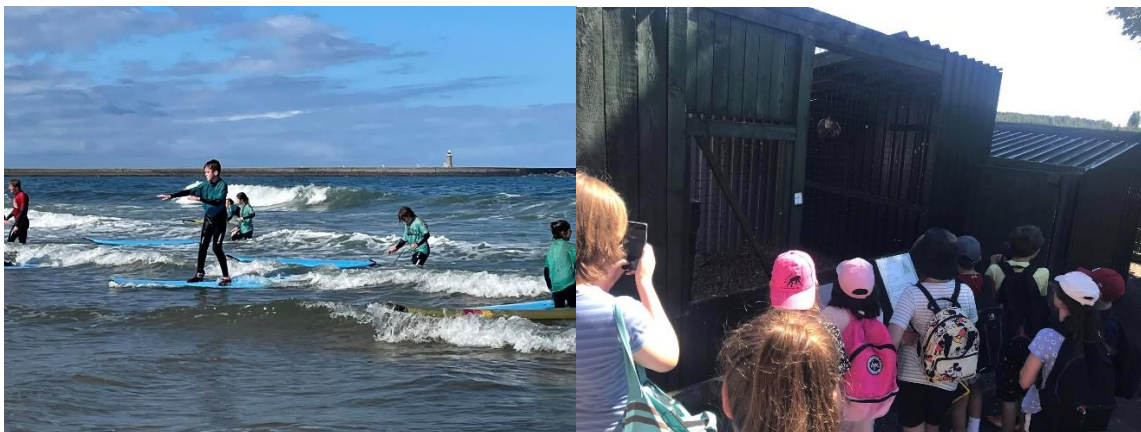


The young people gave us great feedback, we will use their ideas to help shape next years summer holiday programme and we look forward to doing it all again.

Parent Feedback:

'These sessions were a lifesaver this summer . With budgets tight and the cost of living rising so high we weren't able to take ***** a lot of places in the holidays so Your days out were so welcome and so affordable . ***** loved them especially the surfing and we can't thank you all enough . Keep up the good work ***** mum xx'

'The activities in the holidays we fantastic thanks very much. My son has grown in confidence so much because of your groups. His interactions with the other young people has come on great as this can be a particular problem for him. He loves your sessions and looks forward to coming. I can't thank you all enough.'





Term Time Provision

Our term time provision restarts on Tuesday 13th September, and we look forward to seeing young people at our youth sessions again. We hope to see some of the new faces we met over the summer holidays at our sessions.

We are currently putting plans together to open our new session, LEGO Club. This session is aimed at young people requiring support or a quieter session to be able to access our provision. We are hoping this session will be open by the end of the month.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Prudhoe Town Council for your ongoing support.

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