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PY News

'Goodbye Summer, Hello Autumn' Edition

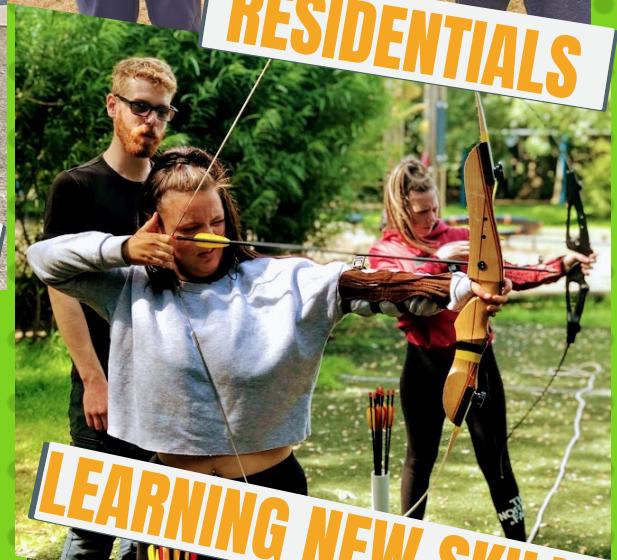
Round up of our 6 weeks Summer Programme



OUTINGS & DAY TRIPS



RESIDENTIALS



LEARNING NEW SKILLS



ARTS & CRAFTS



PY DINNERS



FUN CLUBS



SPORTS DAYS

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3000



Children & Young people visited PY over the summer

540



Children & Young people came to clubs

18



Different sports activities

2500



PY Dinners & suppers served

Thanks to everyone who funds and support us at PYCP throughout the year.

With your help we were able provide 6 weeks of clubs, groups, outings, picnics, lunches and suppers to over 540 individual children and young people.

18%



Children & Young People who attended PYCP were from BME families

Open Day

Mostly at PY we just work with children and young people but this summer we were pleased to welcome over 60 families to the project for our biggest ever Open Day.

Local people of all ages came along and enjoyed lunch, bingo, face painting, bouncy castle, raffle, bike maintenance and balance bike sessions. They also picked up free supplies (pens, pencils and uniform) for the school year ahead.

At the last count there were over 200 people in The Greenhouse!



What we did for the first time in a long time this Summer. Here is our list of PY firsts!

We held Indian Dance classes

We went on 2 trips to the National Galleries of Scotland

We went to a music festival

We had 6 different sport sessions in PY gym hall

We went on 4 residentials in one week!

Basketball sessions

The Science Festival came to visit us

We chilled out with Kids Yoga sessions

It wasn't all first times for us this Summer, back by popular demand:

M&Ds twice!

Our Dynamic Earth trip

Simon Says Dance came back for 2 sessions

Arts & crafts

Leonardos Trip

We TIE DYED over 100 teeshirts and sweatshirts

Paddle boarding at Port Edgar

Horse Riding 2 times

Tennis sessions

Alien Rock climbing

Gravity trips





Horse riding at Lasswade

I've never ridden a horse before, it was so much fun!

Boy, P3



We got to groom the horses and feed them carrots!

Girl, P6



I was a bit nervous but the worker said it would be ok and it was actually great!

Boy, P4

National Galleries Trip

National Galleries Scotland provided a free trip to the Gallery of Modern Art. Children enjoyed a free coach, snacks on arrival, a guided tour, art activities, a baked potato lunch and plenty of free time to play in the gardens.

I enjoyed the art especially the big robot. I'm going to ask to come back here with my mum.

Girl, P5



The kids from PY were so engaged and creative. I'm keen to volunteer there next term.

National Galleries Staff



The experience was positive and fun from start to finish and we got some great ideas for creative activities back at the project.

PYCP worker





Looking cool at PY



Concentrating on hula hooping



Who can make the biggest bubble!

Friday Fun Clubs

We had lots of fun back at the project too! On all of the six Friday's of the holidays we ran fun clubs where children got the chance to play outside in the sun. The sand and water pits were particularly popular along with the bubbles and staff encouraged children to play creatively.



Group pic from of our PY Family



Bubbletastic



Enjoying the sunshine



We love the bubbles



Hanging out with friends



Walking the wall - great balance

A trip out to the Royal Botanic Gardens

After a fire alarm at Dynamic Earth, our newest member of the staff team - Adventure Play Worker Aga Jankowska - had the great idea to relocate to the Botanic Gardens. Children enjoyed being outside and learnt a lot about the flora and fauna around them.



He seems a friendly scarecrow



Giant lily pads, but don't try jumping on one



Who needs a sun hat when you can have a big leaf instead



Don't fall in.....



Another one for the album



Deep in the woods



Say Cheese!



Too many fish to count



Deep in thought

PY Dinners & Suppers

During the school holidays we provided a safe, supportive space for children and young people to come along and have a free hot cooked meal at lunch times and in our clubs in an evening.

Living in Pilton many of our families find it difficult over the school holidays to juggle money and to provide food that would normally have been given by free school dinners during term time.

For the last 5 years we have received funding specifically to help with providing this and it means that children can come along to a club and have a hot meal whilst they are here.

We think that offering this to PY families we can save them money and stress and help to create happy holiday childhood memories.



She loved Movie Mondays and said it was like being at the cinema with the popcorn

Quotes from parents after our end of summer review

I am really grateful that PY had so much on in the holidays. It really helped me entertain my son as he'd usually complain about being bored

My son doesn't get out to play as we live on a busy road. PY is a safe place that he can see his friends.

The kids get to do different activities daily and its useful for parents as it gives us a chance to do stuff around the house.



Science Festival

Paddleboarding



We love that the staff are so welcoming and there is always fun to be had.

Indian Dancing



Canoeing



Ratho Residentials

Our summer programme wasn't just for the wee ones. Young people age 12 -18 got 5 different opportunities to go away on residentials.

Roots and Branches, Girls Group and FACENorth all spent a night at Ratho Retreat. Groups enjoyed activities such as canoeing, archery, cooking on bonfires, climbing and pampering.

As part of the funding criteria from Climate Challenge Fund, groups were tasked to be more eco friendly. They all travelled by public transport and one group even went vegetarian for the weekend.

Workers and young people commented on how much they enjoyed the experience.

Youthwork Games



Youth Work Games

Two teams from PY also got the chance to participate in the Youth Work Games, where young people from all over Scotland come together and get a chance to gain confidence, develop teamwork and try out new challenges.

Teams participated in archery, ghost stories, kayaking wild swimming, assault course, tug of war, ceilidh dancing and loads more!

Everyone was challenged to stretch themselves, particularly when the midgees came out!

Campfire fun



The Quest



The Quest

The annual scavenger hunt in North Edinburgh, The Quest saw teams of young people from local youth agencies compete to find a list of random objects all over Edinburgh. Their final destination was a boat trip on the Firth of Forth complete with karaoke disco!

Sadly PY didn't win this time, but everyone had loads of fun.