

Willenhall & Short Heath Area Panel - March 2017

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Willenhall E-ACT Summary on Projects 2017

The Area Panel has funded 3 projects from April 2016 to March 2017.

They were:-

1. KS2 Holiday Activities,
2. Multi skill club &
3. School Kitchen Initiative.

1. KS2 Holiday Activities

The KS2 activities bid was awarded £2,500 and consisted of 5 mini projects across the year.

The total amount spent was £2391.31.

Project Name	How many children	Cost of project
Easter	35	£694.64
Whit	21	£709
Summer	43	£351
October	24	£551.03
Xmas	9	£85.62

The KS2 holidays activities have been targeted at KS2 children and it has been successful in engaging with 138 children and their parents.

The projects and programmes were aimed to contribute to:

- a) community cohesion, development,
- b) learning skills encouraging parents into further education and employment where required.

The aim of the programmes is to engage and encourage local children in years 4, 5 & 6 to participate in professionally delivered activities encompassing life skills, sports skills and community/social skills during the school holidays.

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The programmes also provided affordable alternative child care for parents in the school holidays in a safe and professional environment.

The projects included activities such as arts & crafts, team building exercises, professionally delivered specific sports, science experiments, food technology activities and many more. The children have also been on various external trips to places such as the Black Country Museum, Jump nation, Dudley zoo, Wolf Mountain and Birmingham Sea Life Centre.

Some of the feedback received from parents has been:

“Oscar is enjoying the activities at the Academy, he comes home and says he has learned lots of things and met new friends he will defiantly be coming back to the next one” Parent

“Could you please arrange more of these activities, Amrit loves them and always looks forward to them!” Harjit

“Corey loves the play schemes. With Corey suffering from Autisum I was anxious at first about sewing him but I can relax knowing he is having fun meeting new friends and being looked after” Wendy

Willenhall E-ACT Academy are now looking to develop additional programmes and projects in 2017 to further engage with the local community due to the feedback from participants and linked to the Walsall strategic plans.

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2. Multi skill club

The second project was the multi skill project which was awarded £1500 and only £516 was claimed.

The project consisted of one day a week during the Summer Holidays where we offered professional sporting activities to children in years 4, 5 & 6.

The children could try a variety of different sports and if they liked the sport we had a contact for a local club where they could continue this.

We had a total number of 53 children access the scheme over the 6 weeks. All the children who attended loved the variety of sports some of which had never tried volley ball, tennis or hockey.

3. School Kitchen Initiative.


The third project funded was the school kitchen initiative. The project was awarded £1,765 however only £1,021.25 was claimed.

We had a total number 22 children attended the School Kitchen Initiative. The children took part in a range of different cooking activities over the first two days such as main meal preparation, smoothie bike and cooking presentations.

The children were then taken to Wolf Mountain on the last day of the activities where they took part in rock climbing, caving and archery activities.

We had such a lot of positive feedback from both children and parents praising the programme.

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Lindsey Malpass Josh has had a fantastic 3 days with you yet again thank you so much for taking excellent care of our children and providing much fun x
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Joanne Stevens Callum has had a brilliant few days and he loved Wolf Mountain thank you to all staff xx
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Jo Mason Thank you - Alex and Sarah had a fantastic time, and enjoyed every minute- xxthey cannot wait for the next one 😊
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Sonia Vaughan Thank you, Max has had an awesome few days. 🙌
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Wendy Plant Corey has had a great time as always thank you
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Sonia Vaughan Is that my boy in a kitchen ? 🤖 Well done Max, we have enjoyed the food each day xx
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Joanne Stevens Callum's had a great day and enjoyed his sausage casserole xx
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Gemma Hancocks Wendy Plant, looks like Corey's enjoyed himself xx 😊
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