

# Bourton Youth Club – September 2019

SUMMARY (from Gemma – Youth Work Manager):

We have hit the ground running at the start of this academic year and worked really hard to publicise the youth club and create an environment where the young people want to come back week after week. We have now expanded our age groups to cover young people from age 8 to 18 in junior groups (8-13) and senior (13-18).

There are now stable groups of young people attending both groups and we are seeing the same faces coming back week after week. Building stronger relationships with the young people.

The youth club is also being publicised with monthly submissions to local publications such as the Bourton Browser and the Cotswold Times. Gemma also attended the Bourton Funstival where she told anyone who would listen about the youth club and all the good things going on there.

At the end of September, the detached work came to an end and with nothing in the SLA the winter detached programme has not begun.

Towards the last few weeks we were able to engage with lots more young people, encouraging them to come and give the youth club a try. All the young people we came across were polite and engaging. From what we could gather talking to the local police, residents and young people it is a small group of young people who give the majority a bad name.

#### THIS MONTH'S SESSIONS:

2<sup>nd</sup> 5 Juniors

0 Seniors

9<sup>th</sup> 5 Juniors

0 Seniors

16<sup>th</sup> 7 Juniors

2 Seniors

23<sup>rd</sup> 15 Juniors

5 Seniors

30th 15 Juniors

3 Seniors

#### STAFF IN OUR SESSIONS:

Gemma Hall

#### **ACTIVITY IN SESSIONS:**

- Pizza
- Planning
- Team games on Wii
- Bake off
- Free play
- Chips and Chat

#### Coming up:

As the nights draw in youth club will be having lots of autumnal activities exploring Halloween and having a disco.

THINGS WE NEED TO WORK ON:
Numbers are picking up and we
now have a junior and senior
group. We will continue to work
hard to make youth club a place
where young people want to come
back week after week.

### **Photos**







# COMMUNICATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER:

The Cricket club is a fantastic location and the committee have been so accommodation to us. However, the area in front of the shed is becoming problematic with the mud outside the door. It would be great if the council could discuss with the cricket club, the possibility of putting some paving slab down in front of the door.

## **DEVELOPMENT OF THE YOUTH CLUB:**

At the time of writing this report I am mindful of events that have happened in past weeks which have had a massive impact on the young people attending the club. We will be getting in touch with Winstons Wish to see what they can offer to help the children come to terms with the loss of their teacher.