

Summer School – August 2021

Due to additional Government funding, this year we have been able to offer an enhanced summer school to the young people at the Excel and Exceed School. The school collaborated with the Occupational Therapy team in order to deliver a creative, enriching programme to encourage engagement with school, improve attitudes towards education and help to ease the transition back to community schools. This was a creative focussed programme with aspects of team and relationship building.

The objective was to:

- Provide opportunities to build positive relationships with school staff and peers
- Improve the emotional well-being of young people through engagement and personal, social and health education
- Raise aspirations
- Support confidence and wellbeing.

Approaches to supporting confidence and wellbeing proven to be effective include:

- Prioritising specific activities and support to help pupils overcome any fear of bullying and new provision
- Learning the routine of the school and implicit rules of the classroom
- Activities focused on team-building help to build stronger relationships
- Allocating time for pupils to get to know one another and their teachers
- Making use of creative activities to encourage self-expression.

Timetable of activities:

2/8/2021	Animal Therapy
3/8/2021	African Drumming
6/8/2021	Jewellery making workshop
10/8/2021	Rapping and beat boxing workshop
11/8/2021	Animal Therapy
12/8/2021	Fashion Nail art workshop
13/8/2021	Samba band
18/8/2021	Animal Therapy
20/8/2021	Street dance
23/8/2021	Street dance workshop
25/8/2021	Animal Therapy
27/8/2021	Wind chime making workshop
31/8/2021	Graffiti Art

In total 24 young people accessed the summer school.

Using the £4505 Government allocation, we provided school, support and occupational therapy staff and external agencies were brought in to deliver the majority of the sessions/workshops