

OLDHAM YOUTH SERVICE

TERMLY REPORT COVERING



FAILSWORTH Q

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ANNUAL PROGRAMME TARGETS

	Minimum Target	Actual to date
Residential	1	0
Interclub Visit	2	0
Social Events	4	1
Sport/Physical Challenge	4	10
Open Day	1	0
Workshop discussion	4	1
International work	1	0
Creative Arts	6	1
Performing Arts	6	1
Trips	4	0
Triangulation Events	4	1

LINKING WORK TO THE CURRICULUM

Key curriculum area	No of pieces of work undertaken this term
Personal and social skills, increasing aspirations	3
Empowerment, democracy and decision making	2
Equality and diversity	3
New opportunities and challenging experiences	4
Healthy lifestyles	6

Thanks to the partners worked with over the term:

- Failsworth school (especially M.Kelly, Extended Schools Co-ordinator)
- Greater Manchester Police
- Connexions
- FCH (First Choice Homes)
- British Waterways
- Sports Development
- OCL (Failsworth Leisure Centre)

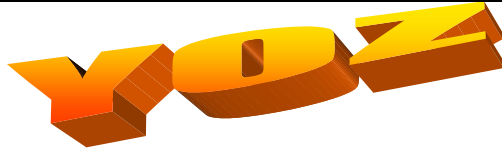
EXAMPLES OF GOOD PRACTICE

NEW FAILSWORTH SCHOOL

Cool In School Q- Club

- This term we have been able to initiate the partnership work between Failsworth School and Oldham Youth Service as part of the locality working agreement. The proposal was that we would access school during lunch time on an agreed day
- To build relationships with young people and teaching staff
- To work with school and the young people to identify any needs and areas that Oldham Youth Service could facilitate.
- To promote the work of the Youth Service within the school.

Jeanette Booth and Jason Bradshaw are the key workers on the project, and are currently involved in relationship building and a consultation process with young people and staff. Already, due to the positive feedback from staff and young people, we are welcome and are now seen as part of the school's alternative provision. We have been offered use of a room Mondays and Thursdays to adapt as an in school youth centre, with scope to increase provision as required.



YOUTH ONLY ZONE

This term the young people of Failsworth have been able to access an extensive range of open access activities including the very successful Saturday night YOUTH ONLY ZONE provision at Failsworth Sports Centre.

Numbers of young people attending has risen on a weekly basis and as well as sport activities the young people have participated in *healthy lifestyle* workshops, art and craft sessions and are able to achieve recognition of their involvement through the *recorded/accredited* scheme offered by the Youth Service.

The SAD news was that funding ceased for this project at the end of June, but the GOOD news is that further funding has been secured until the end of September. Youth Workers are *empowering and supporting young people* in their quest to secure additional FUNDING to ensure that this INNOVATIVE work CONTINUES.

As youth workers we recognise that not all young people enjoy sports so we offer alternative FUN, EDUCATIONAL, HEALTHY, INFORMATIVE, activities to compliment YOZ (youth only zone).

GETTING BETTER AND BETTER

The centre is continuing to attract new members and currently we have a membership of 401. The programme is devised with the support of our youth committee and we have all learnt that if you do not strive to meet the needs of the members, their participation will be minimal.

The popularity of the HEADBANGERS BALLS continues to grow, and the young people are currently organising their next event. They require minimal support and are competent in risk assessing, funding, delegation of roles to steering group and staff, evaluating and action planning (future youth workers in the making).

The Youth Committee recently worked with Jason to produce a PowerPoint presentation celebrating the work of Failsworth Youth Centre and to promote future activities. This was showcased at the recent Failsworth Community Council meeting and the young people and staff were congratulated on their past and future projects.

COMING UP

1. Summer choice event (Failsworth School)
2. Intergenerational summer fayre
3. Headbangers ball manga theme
4. PAYP (positive activities for young people)
5. Failsworth Carnival
6. Rochdale Canal Festival (Finale Fun Day Failsworth Basin)
7. Summer Safe project
8. Life Space Project (local environment issues)
9. Single Gender Work (female and male)
10. Community Cohesion Cluster Event.

OVER TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

It's good they've put the DJ decks in another room so we can enjoy our music too.



Jason and Jeanette come into our school now. Its funny they get mobbed.

Cool In School Q-Club



We had a water fight in the rain workers joined in it was mint.



We just started band practice with my new band but numpty me broke my arm playing football, its hard playing drums with one arm. LOL.



Accumulative Involvement with Young People aged 13 –19

