



Wroughton Session on behalf of Wroughton Parish Council

Here we are again glad to be back inside, we absolutely loved being outside and enjoying the sun, fields, BBQs and light evenings but we also are enjoying being back inside in the warmth, staying dry, drinking hot chocolate, playing games and having more in-depth conversations with young people.

As you will know when we initially came back inside, we were getting more young people than we were able to cope with, this was a lovely problem to have but we were firefighting issues rather than connecting with young people on a deeper level. The young people were excitable and therefore noisy and due to the small space in the library they were coming and going which meant they were loud down the corridor/ in the toilets and we were very conscious of the other users of the community centre also we knew that we would be dropping back to two members of staff from after Christmas and therefore it wasn't feasible to continue as we were. We are incredible grateful to all the work Amanda puts in to checking in on how we are getting on, working through these issues with us and putting forward our latest proposals to the Parish Council.

We are really happy that you have been able to support us with the splitting of the sessions and this has benefitted both us and the young people immensely. We are now able to have a more meaningful time with the young people and really feel like we are doing good youth work with young people and not just providing them with fun things to do on a Tuesday evening. We have had loads of fun with a range of activities over the past three months including biscuit decorating, a silent disco, pumpkin carving and making slime.

I will unfortunately be stepping back in my role directly at the youth club but leave it in the very capable hands of Kat and Tim who love the session and have a really good relationship with the young people present. I will still pop in now and then to the session to

Number of interactions with young people -

Wroughton Youth Sessions: 182

Age range: 10-14

Topics Discussed: School, Home, Mental Health, Friends, Social Media

reconnect with the young people.

At the session on Tuesday 3rd December, I asked a few young people what they liked about the youth club and here are their responses:



I love the cheese toasties!

I have enjoyed making new friends at youth club.

I really enjoy it when we have food.

I like being able to hang out with and chat to the youth workers at youth club.

I came for the session where we made slime and didn't want to stop coming.

My favourite part is all the different activities.

I come to youth club so that I can hang out with my friends in a safe indoor space.

