



Working With Young People

My name is Colin McRae and I work as a Community Learning and Development Worker in the Working with Young People Team here in Turriff.

Community Learning and Development (CLD) approach is Work with Young People aged 11-25 to support the following

- Through our early intervention approach with young people, we support wider achievement and recognise development of skills for learning, life and work.
- Recognising young people as partners in their learning, we support young people to engage in lifelong learning and reflect on their achievements. By improving self-esteem, we support young people to develop self-esteem and resilience.
- Our work has a positive impact on attitudes and behaviours to develop aspirations and contributes to raising achievement levels and closing the attainment gap in Aberdeenshire.



So What does that look like?

3 Areas of Work	Bridging the Gap	Move on Up	Youth Voice
Programmes	Primary – Secondary Transition	Learning Pathways+ 1:1 (S1 – S3)	Youth Platforms
	Extended Primary - Secondary Transition	Learning Pathways+ (S4)	Political Literacy – PSE classes
		Opportunities for All (Employability) S4-S6	Issue Based
		Opportunities for All 16+	

Bridging The Gap and Move on Up (School Based)

- CLD work in partnership with Turriff Academy to support young people through various learning opportunities
- Support Young People from P7 onwards to ensure young people make a positive transition from P7 to S1
- Support Young People engaged in Learning Opportunities to undertake youth accreditation such as Youth Achievement Awards, SQA Units and Saltire Awards
- Referred Young People have the opportunity to engage in experiential learning opportunities designed to support young people to promote self-esteem, confidence and personal development skills.
- Examples of experiential learning could be; sport, cooking, gardening, media – These opportunities are often discussed with the young person.

Youth Voice (Community Based)

- CLD is committed to supporting young people in the community through:
Youth Platforms
Issue Based Youth Work
- Youth Platforms support young people to become involved in their local community and wider opportunities within Aberdeenshire. Local Examples in Turriff include: Turriff Youth Platform and TDJ (Turriff's Youth DJ Group).
- Opportunities are created based need and with close dialogue with young people



CLD are involved with the Year of the Young People in which there are a range of signature events taking place across Aberdeenshire. Turriff are supporting an event locally in November 2018.

What's on Offer for an S1 coming to Turriff Academy with CLD?

- **THIS WEEK....** **S1 Transition Disco – Turriff Academy, Wednesday – 6 – 8PM**
Gaming Night (New S1 Only), Gateway Community Centre, 6.30 – 8PM
- Based at Gateway Community Centre – CLD from August – October term, CLD will offer a **designated only S1 only Lunchtime once a week – Day still to be confirmed with Turriff Academy**
- The Centre is open 5 days per week during school term in which some does are supported by CLD. Young People are open to access a welcoming space where they can eat their lunch, access computers/wifi, pool, table tennis and a games console.
- To become involved in any CLD run opportunity where young people are interested this can be youth groups / Year of the Young People Events and the Youth Platforms.
- Ongoing support from CLD staff - CLD work closely with Turriff Academy School staff and can support young people with any issues.

Further Info

- Please take a **Working With Young People Prospectus** home with you
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