Term 2 Youth Worker Highlights

Jayden



This term has been really good in school. We started making hot chocolates on Friday mornings for the students, this has been a good time to connect and support a large group of boys in a small time. It has been encouraging spending Friday mornings doing this, most weeks we will have a few boys jump in and help us as it can get quite busy! My highlight for this term has been my mentoring relationships. There is good progress being made in this space and it is encouraging to see some deep relationships developing.

A highlight for me has been seeing our students that we work with help out at our Hot Milos morning. We get a regular group of boys who are willing to help prepare Milos and this helps just get alongside boys I mentor and serve other students together. A follow on from getting alongside students, I've really enjoyed having the interactions outside of school with students and that has helped build deeper relationships. This has helped connect with students better at school but also connect them to programmes outside of school where they can have fun.

Finn



Jasper



My highlight for term 2 has been the Aro Āheinga (Strengths-Based Group Mentoring) programme. Jayden, Finn and I are always trying to refine this programme to make the best that we can and this term it's been really great to make improvements to the programme and see them play out when we're running our groups. This Term we've had 2 groups running, One for Year 9's and the other for Year 10's and it's been quite interesting the difference between the year's separation. Generally the difference between ages doesn't show but this term we've seen quite a difference in how students engage. We're also underway with another 2 group for Term 3.

What's been happening this term?

Friday Morning Milos

Every Friday during term 2 and 3 at Interval the youth workers have been getting out and setting up a Milo's for students to enjoy whilst being in cold seasons. The team gets so many students coming through to grab to their Milo's, they go through about 125-150 Milos a week. The students also give the team a hand and help pour some milo into cups aswell as getting to make their own milo as a thank you.

Unfortunately we didn't get any photo's from this as it's normally so busy the team don't get the time to take photo's.



Aro Āheinga (Group Mentoring)

Our groups in term 2 have been really successful having seen 10 students complete the programme. We usually start with about 18 students over 2 groups (year 9/10) and due to truancy and other circumstances students drop out of the programme but this term to see 10 students through has been great. The feedback forms from the students all say that this programme and learning their strengths will help them in the future. Feedback also said what they most liked

about the programme: Enjoyed the games played, the food from the end of term celebration, the youth workers, learning how my strength work in school and in life.

Lunchtime Games

The momentum of Lunchtime games with the youth workers has been continuing. The numbers have regularly been hitting 30 - 40 students each week and whenever it's 3 on 3 basketball there's always a big crowd playing. These are such vital times for the youth workers to connect with students and vice versa. SBHS students love sport and this is a great connection point for everyone.



24/7 Waitangi Hui

Our Team went away at the end of Term 2 for the 24/7 National Hui Conference in Waitangi which was really special. This is where all the 24/7 youth workers come together and have a hui and connect.



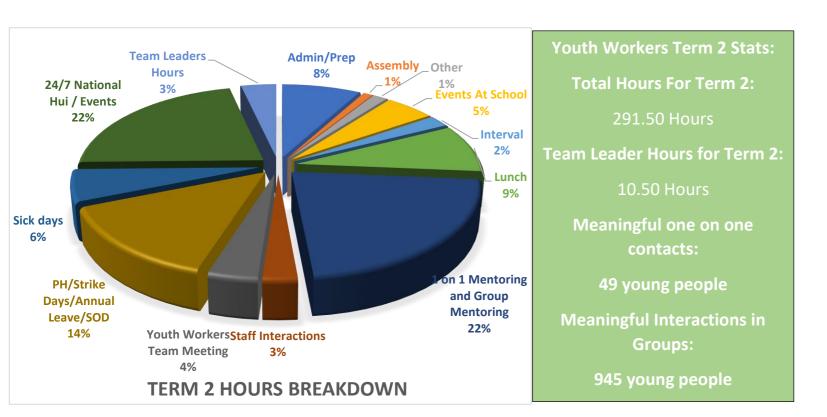
Kahui Ako Conference Disc Golf

Jayden, Finn and Jasper had the pleasure of running a couple of disc golf sessions for all the primary and secondary school teachers on the East of Christchurch. This conference was held at Shirley and Avonside, we were lucky enough to teach teachers how to play disc golf and also get competitive with each other. There was one hole and one on the day so the youth workers must be good teachers.

Mentoring

Our team continues seeing students 1 on 1 during school time. These students are either recommended to us by the deans, counsellors, learning support or outside of school by the youth workers. Giving the chance for students to get out of the classroom and talk to another person about how they're going. One thing that the youth workers find beneficial for students is giving them a time and space to reflect on life, because the world teaches us to be busy.

Youth Worker Hours for the term:















24-7 Youth Work @ SBHS

As 24-7 Youth Workers we are employed to bring these 5 outcomes of youth work into Shirley Boys High School:

- Support students well-being
- Building Positive Relationships that support students
- Cultivating positive school spirit
- Developing Leadership
- Integrating young people into community activities

As a team, we want to acknowledge all the support we have received throughout the year. We often get the credit for supporting young people, but all of that would not be possible without the organisations & communities that have partnered with us.





















