



New Brighton Library Youthworker Report Term One 2015

Youthworkers













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<u>Purpose</u>

To provide relational support to the many children and young people in New Brighton Library. Helping to keep the library a safe and fun place with proactive engagement, organising activities, pre-empting conflict and providing avenues of further community links.

Key Statistics

Total Number of Shifts: 58

Total Number of Youth Work Hours: 158.50

Total Number of Young People actively engaged with during school term: 338

Total Number of Young People actively engaged with during school holidays: 202

540 Young People actively engaged with!

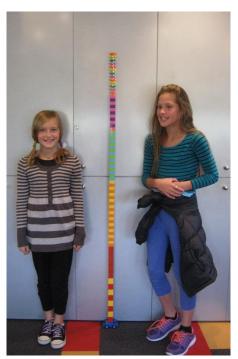
Examples of Key Activities during Term time

Craft Club - every Tuesday; 3D Hand Drawing, Calm Down Jars, Canvas Art, Easter Egg Treats, Glowing Bouncy Balls, Green Hair Heads, Photo book mark, Stained glass Easter window decorations, Toilet Role Bird Feeder

Other Library Activities: Walk on the Pier, Photo Hunt, Monopoly Deal, Mine Craft, Digi Club, Online Games, Pinterest, Wii, Card games, Phone games, Board Games, Nerf Wars, Colouring

Some Feedback from Youthworkers on Timesheets

- "Had some young people come down for some help with their homework. Esther was great at helping with mine craft."
- "Had fun playing game with J, S and G they said they would be back tomorrow!!"
- "Cool to hear some of the young people are making new friends!" (am guessing as a result of the merger)
- "Quite a few regular girls down here! Was good to see them and awesome to get to hang out and get to know them a bit better!"
- "Was good to catch up with some regular kids from last year. Had a really good chat at the quiet times."
- Created a Paper Toss game with some chocolate up for grabs.







- "Had 2 new young people at Craft Club!"
- "Started using some of mine and Paddy's Nerf Guns we bought. Was choice!"
- "Had a good talk with some of the young people!"
- "Hung out with boys on the computers. Such a laugh!"
- "Awesome to see lots of families down here!"
- "Cool to give kids opportunity to play and get creative in an unusual way, making marshmallow towers!"

April 2015 Holiday Activities Report

This holiday program went really well. Numbers were consistently good and one of the librarians commented that she sees 'groupies' coming back again, which shows that word is out and people are keen to come down. The highest numbers were for the photo challenge and jewellery making. Jewellery making is consistently a great activity and I had parent feedback saying that her (the mum's), boys weren't



very keen initially but got involved and really enjoyed it. She



loved that it challenged the 'gender stereotypes' in a simple way. 'Food Towers' and Slime Day were new activities that most young people had never done before. A highlight from first week would have been the photo challenge which gave everyone opportunity to get involved, learn about the library activities and interact with librarians in a fun way.

The second week also went really well, the highlight activity for me was lego. This was a low key activity that gave opportunity to connect and interact which was great. There was also great feedback over the simple sewing activity and some of the parents were talking about past activities they had been too, and shared stories which was great to hear and be a part of!



The main age groups are 7-11, but I do get people on either side of this. I love seeing and getting to know people who come regularly, as well as meeting new families who are new to the area or haven't heard about it before but are excited to come down!



I love having junior leaders, and we used two different girls for each week to get more people involved. It is great to have someone to help me, but also spend time with the kids when numbers are higher. At the end of the holiday Louise said that she doesn't get much opportunity in places such as school to be a leader, because there are so many people it is easy to be overlooked. She really enjoyed having this opportunity and supporting her community in a new way. This was the best highlights of the two weeks!

202 Young People actively engaged with in these holidays!

New Brighton Library Holiday Activities April 2015

Monday 6th April

Easter Monday - Closed

Tuesday 7th April

Easter Egg Craft

Wednesday 8th April

Marshmallow Towers

Thursday 9th April

Photo Challenge

Friday 10th April

Cheapskates

Monday 13th April

Jewellery Making

Tuesday 14th April

Slime Day

Wednesday 15th April

Lego Challenge

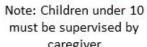
Thursday 16th April

Simple Sewing

Friday 17th April

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Balloon Art & Facepainting



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