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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR CALDERDALE

Who are we?

Nurturing Creativity CIC was formed in March 2021.

We are a group of six individuals, all from different backgrounds who want to make a difference in our local communities and throughout West Yorkshire.

Our Mission

Our mission is to empower target groups who have suffered any form of disadvantage. We aim to provide physical, social and emotional support through performing and creative arts.

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Recharge '21

Thank you to The Phoenix Partnership in Horsforth and National Lottery Community Fund for Recharge '21. It really made a difference supporting our local communities after the pandemic.

This project was run across two venues, Horsforth and Halifax. Providing 240 funded places in our holiday workshops for children who had lost confidence in the pandemic, referred by local schools and families. They participated in dance, drama, singing, creative arts, games sport and circus skills. We employed six performing arts coaches, one creative arts facilitator and one music teacher. Food was provided by local cafes who has struggled to stay open in difficult times and the community venues we hired benefited financially after a long period of closure.



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Panto Time Healthy Holidays Calderdale

We enjoyed our Panto Time Project in December 2021 thanks to funding from Calderdale Council's Healthy Holidays Scheme.

The aim of this project is to ensure that children who are eligible for a free school meal can access one in the holidays whilst keeping active and healthy.

Nutrition sessions and exercise were at the heart of the holiday club. Food was provided by an excellent chef from a local cafe Ey Up Pudding and the children enjoyed a variety of hot meals daily including Christmas dinner!

As part of the programme children participated in dance, drama and singing workshops all with a pantomime theme.

Tickets to Jack & the Beanstalk at the Victoria Theatre in Halifax were donated as part of the funding and all children enjoyed a trip to the pantomime (for some this was their first trip)

Inspired by the theatre trip the children performed on the final day for their families. Feedback from children and families was amazing!

Dance Yourself Fit 2022

A grant from Sport England to encourage adults and children to get back into exercise after the pandemic has allowed us to run Dance Yourself Fit classes in Northowram, Calderdale twice a week at just £1 per session from Dec 2021 to July 2022.

We have a Youth Dance Yourself Fit every Monday who are working with their coach towards a performance at a local community gala on July 16th. Attendance has grown and we now have 16 teenagers dancing weekly in this group.

Our adult dance classes have been well attended and we have employed two dance coaches and supported a local community centre with regular hire. Feedback is positive and over 80% want to continue weekly when the funding ends and the cost of the class is increased.



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