

Youth Pages

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CAT MARK... DO YOU WANT A SAY IN SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE?

We are recruiting young people aged 13-25 to become CAT Mark Assessors – can you help?

The CAT Mark is a mark of quality, awarded by young people for any organisations providing services for young people.

If you and your friends are interested in visiting and assessing services for young people in your area, we would love for you to get involved. Y

You need to attend an accredited training day, and then you will be able to take part in assessments. Each assessment takes approximately 3 hours plus travelling time.

There is no cost to being involved, and we will cover all your expenses.

Here are just some of the benefits of becoming an assessor for CAT Mark:

All expenses paid
Meet other young people

Free accreditations to add to your CV

The opportunity to see a variety of projects aimed at young people

The skills necessary and experience of wielding real power

Using and developing skills that are valuable in future employment

Awards Ceremony twice a year to celebrate the project's achievements

You will receive a CAT Mark Hoodie, ID badge and Certificates

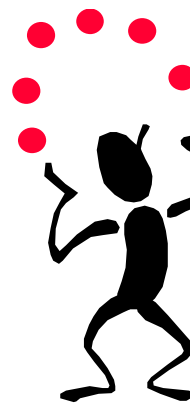
Here's what one of current assessors thinks of the project:

'I chose to do CAT Mark as it is something new to try and sounded interesting. It is a really cool project!'

Interested? Please contact Caroline on 01962 852307 or at ac3.ychiow@ukonline.co.uk.



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ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR YOUTH CLUB

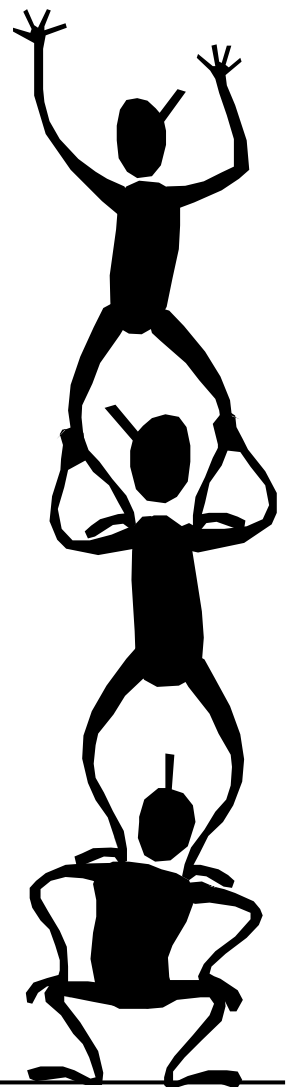
Did you know that because your youth club is a member of Youth Clubs Hampshire and Isle of Wight, we can come out and do 2 different activity workshops with you!

Choose from:

Circus Skills
Initiative Challenges
Masks
Banner Making
Healthy Lifestyles
Scrap Sculpture
T-Shirt Painting.



Why not let your workers know which of these activities you'd most like to have a go at and then they can contact us to book a workshop?



• Talking Point • Talking Point •

WHAT? NO FUNDING?

The new government have recently put on hold all the Youth Opportunity Fund money (YOF). This money has been available in the past for young people to apply for funds for things they want to do and other young people decide where the money goes to.

Do you think its a good idea for young people to be involved in deciding how government money is spent for them?

How could you raise money for activities at your youth club?



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER?

- 3rd—17th September is Organic Food Fortnight: shops and stores will be encouraging you to try Organic produce but what do you know about Organic foods and their benefits etc? Check out www.soilassociation.org
- 9th-12th September, Heritage Open Days will take place all over the country giving you a chance to visit all kinds of unusual buildings and places for free! More info at www.heritageopendays.org.uk
- 18th September—3rd October is British Food Fortnight. This event will celebrate home-grown food and raise awareness of buying British food including what logos to look for, where to buy and information about regional and seasonal varieties
- 26th September is European Day of Languages: There are over 6000 languages spoken in the world. And behind each and every one of them lies a rich and diverse culture. That's what the European Day of Languages (EDL) aims to celebrate. More info @ www.cilt.org.uk/home/valuing_languages/european_day_of_languages
- October is Black History Month with events and activities all over the country Celebrating and highlighting Caribbean and African history. Visit www.black-history-month.co.uk to find out more.
- 1st October, World Smile Day: www.worldsmileday.com; "Do an act of kindness. Help one person smile."
- 9th October, The Big Draw: The Big Draw takes place throughout October each year, offering drawing events for people of all ages and abilities. Visit www.thebigdraw.org.uk for more info
- 14th October is World Sight Day. This is part of an ongoing global campaign to reduce sight loss and visual impairment. Visit www.vision20:20.org for more info.
- Friday 17th October is Child Poverty Day. Find out what it means to be a find living in poverty and what action you can take to help change things by visiting www.actionaid.org.uk/childpovertyday



Youth Clubs Hampshire and Isle of Wight

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