

New Funding for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Two groups of young people taking part in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award through Kiora Hall Open Award Centre have been successful in gaining funding.

Young people from the Award Centre came second in the recent Youth Challenge Competition, which was for the best entries from the locally funded projects from the Youth Opportunities Fund. The group won a prize of £750 for the project and were presented with the cheque at the YouthBank Celebration Evening at the Oakwood Centre. The group had initially been awarded £5000 from Youthbank for outdoor equipment.

Other young people from the Centre, who have been taking part in rock climbing on indoor walls over the past six months as part of their Duke of Edinburgh's Award have successfully applied for money from the Key Fund to take part in a day's outdoor rock climbing at Great Wanney in Northumberland. This will give them the chance to put into practice the skills they have learnt on the indoor walls.

For more information on taking part in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award contact June Welch, Duke of Edinburgh's Award Officer on 01642 527965 or email june.welch@stockton.gov.uk.

Heartstart Training for Young People in Stockton

Twenty young people from various Duke of Edinburgh's Award Groups have successfully completed a British Heart Foundation Heartstart course as part of their Service Section of the Award. Some did it as part of their Fire Course and others in conjunction with the longer First Aid Course they are taking part in. Heartstart is a two hour course covering aspects of first aid including resuscitation, choking, bleeding etc. Anybody interested in taking part in a Heartstart course contact June Welch, Duke of Edinburgh's Award Officer on 01642 527965 or email june.welch@stockton.gov.uk.



Health and Fun day in Grangefield

Stockton on Tees' Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Unit and Youth Service are working together to put on another Health and Fun day at Grangefield Youth and Community Centre on Saturday 14th July 2007, between 11am and 4pm.

The Mayor of Stockton has been invited to open what promises to be a bigger and better event than ever this year, with giant inflatable games, a bucking bronco and the ever popular 'It's a knockout'. Many different agencies will be at the event to give out freebies and prizes and there will be different workshops including Dj-ing and Graffiti art. Agencies attending the event include Stash, A Way Out, Brook Advisory Service, Healthy Schools and The Primary Care Trust.

Youth groups from around Stockton are being invited to attend the event, and some transport will be provided. Posters will be all over Stockton nearer to the event but for more information contact Carole Fernie on 524605

Staff Camping Trip – Blakey Ridge

We haven't had a Youth Service staff event for some time now, so the next one has been planned for Saturday 23rd June. It will be a camping trip to the Lion Inn at Blakey Ridge, North York Moors. We will be including a short walk during the day, as we did last year for those who want to join us, and will be eating dinner in the pub.

If anyone wants to stay in the Lion Inn itself, they may be able to book in for bed and breakfast. For information about this please look on www.lionblakey.co.uk or contact the Inn on 01751 417717. Camping will cost £2.50 per person.

Anyone over the age of 18 is welcome to join us but please let me know if you would like to come on the trip, or for part of it. I will need to book us in to the restaurant ASAP, as it gets very busy.

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Comments

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