

SUMMER OF FUN

The Summer of Fun initiative supported young children and young people across Caerphilly County Borough to engage in social, cultural and physical activities.



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The Summer of Fun initiative provided free activities for children and young people aged 0-25 years in Welsh and English. This year, free activities offered support to our young people and families across Caerphilly County Borough with the rising cost of living.

We offered a huge range of free activities from play and recreational to sport and leisure and cultural activities. Our young people took part in paddle boarding, fashion design workshops, family day trips, sport camps, craft sessions, storytelling, gorge walking, Welsh medium workshops and everything in-between.

We worked in partnership with a variety of organisations to deliver Caerphilly's Summer of Fun. This included: CCBC Youth Service, Families First, Leisure Lifestyle, Menter Iaith Sir Caerffili, Parent Network, RCV Risca, Sport Caerphilly, The Parish Trust and Urdd Gobaith Cymru.

FAMILIES FIRST

260 CHILDREN
64 SESSIONS

KEY INFORMATION

- 260 children aged between 5-25 engaged in 64 different sessions throughout the summer delivered by Families First.
- Activities included going on adventure days, family engagement sessions, young carers sessions and outdoor adventure activities.
- Activities were arranged to target vulnerable families open to Children's Services or Families First.



EARLY YEARS PLAY IN THE PARK

1121 CHILDREN
6 SESSIONS

KEY INFORMATION

- 1121 children and 849 adults participated in the six 'play in the park' sessions delivered at Rhymney Park, Morgan Jones Park, Ystrad Mynach Park, Bargoed Park, Waunfawr Park and Blackwood Showfield.
- Simple activities were delivered throughout the sessions which could then be replicated home. These included: messy play using gloop and play dough, water play, explorative and sensory play for babies, art and craft activities, jewellery making from cereal and string and sports activities delivered by Sport Development.



SPORT CAERPHELLY

2860 CHILDREN
24 DIFFERENT
ACTIVITIES

KEY INFORMATION

- 24 different activities were delivered by the Sport Development Team throughout the school holidays at various days and times every week.
- 2860 children took part in sport camps across the summer.

FULL LIST OF ACTIVITIES

- Athletics Summer Camp: 70 participants
- Bargoed Sport Camps: 209 participants.
- Blackwood Golf Club Camp: 58 participants.
- Blackwood Town Cricket Camp: 110 participants.
- Bowl to a Better Wellbeing: 140 participants.
- Boxing (Cwmcarn & Bargoed): 350 participants.
- Caerphilly Hockey Cup: 35 participants.
- Caerphilly Hockey Juniors: 35 participants.
- Caerphilly Town Sport Camps: 300 participants.
- Crumlin Cricket Camp: 180 participants.
- Disability Horse Riding: 25 participants.
- Disability Day Trips: 12 participants.
- Family Cycling with Risca Riders: 240 participants.
- Family Intervention Project: 14 participants.
- Family Wellbeing Sessions: 150 participants.
- Girls Football Festival: 76 participants.
- Hockey Summer 7s: 45 participants.
- Kidzfit with SJ Fitness: 35 participants.
- Llanbradach Sport Camps: 229 participants.
- Maesycwmmmer Sport Camps: 118 participants.
- Rhymney Sport Camps: 103 participants.
- Rounders in the park: 40 participants.
- Teenage Lets Go Girls Sessions: 200 participants.
- Turn up & Play Sessions: 86 participants.



YOUTH SERVICE

404 CHILDREN
66 SESSIONS

KEY INFORMATION

- 404 children aged between 11-25 engaged in 66 different sessions throughout the summer delivered by CCBC Youth Service.
- Vulnerable young people attending out of school provision were able to access activities and experiences that otherwise would not have been available.
- Activities included youth club-style work, street based activities, off site educational visits including camping activities and LGBTQ+ community provision.



PARENT NETWORK BIG DAY OUT

578 CHILDREN

1 SESSION

KEY INFORMATION

- 578 individuals between the ages 0-25 went on the 'big day out' organised by the Parent Network.
- A number of parents identified that their children had never visited a museum or been to the beach due to economical impacts on our communities.
- Children were able to engage with history, use imagination and observe how people lived through the ages. At the beach, children were able to explore, observe the sea life and feel and learn beach textures, sounds and smells.



MENTER LAITH SIR CAERFFILI

814 CHILDREN
123 SESSIONS

KEY INFORMATION

- 814 children aged between 3-18 engaged in 123 sessions throughout the summer through the medium of Welsh.
- Welsh medium workshops and activities included: animation, yoga, crafts, fashion design, video gaming, outdoor nature sessions and parent and toddler activities.
- Activities and opportunities were provided through the medium of Welsh, ensuring that children are able to take part in activities and meet in friends within their community.



URDD GOBAITH CYMRU

1020 CHILDREN
27 SESSIONS

KEY INFORMATION

- 1020 children aged between 3-11 took part in 27 different sport sessions which took place throughout the six week summer holiday.
- Children and young people in Caerphilly were able to access sport activities through the medium of Welsh.
- Activities included multi-sport camps and sport specific activities delivered in Welsh. Sessions lasted all day (7 hours) and one to two hour sessions.

