



# SUCCESS 4 ALL

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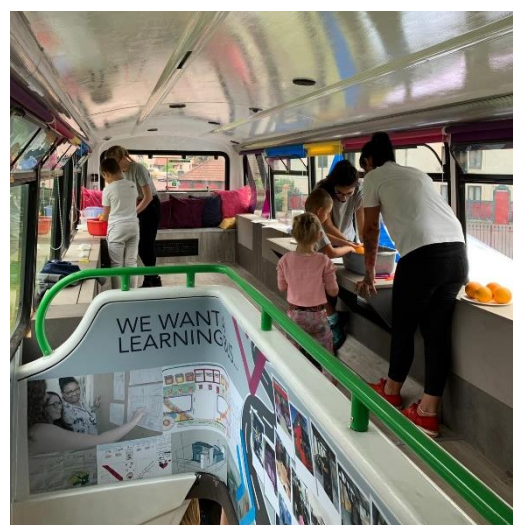
### *Where are we now?*

This Summer has been full of adventure!

Despite not being able to run our customary 3-week full-time Summer School, there was lots we were involved in. The Learning Bus was out with a dedicated Success4All team at parks across Newcastle with Newcastle Best Summer Ever programme. Our WEYDA youth group ran a media project during summer around Fake News which led to a number of public engagement events. We also ran a mini Summer School at the Newcastle Apostolic Church (NAC) with lots of social action and many trips out to enjoy the wonderful weather we had!

We are also excited to welcome 5 new members to the Success4All team: a Volunteer Coordinator, 3 Learning Hub Coordinators and a Club Leader starting this academic year.

We are very sad to see Eve leave. She has been a huge asset to our team and will be greatly missed in her role as our Volunteer Coordinator and as Learning Hub Coordinator of the Slatyford and Throckley hubs, which she has looked after and built up for the past 2 years. Good luck and congratulations once again for her new baby on the way!



### *Plans for 2020*

We are working with a few communities to develop new Learning Hubs and Clubs. Thank you for continuing to spread the word about our services to other families. You are a champion PR-team! We will continue to make the Learning Hubs & Clubs more sustainable and independent, as well as striving to improve the quality and learning opportunities for children and young people.

One of our key focuses is to be able to run again a 3-week full-time Summer School (20<sup>th</sup> July-7<sup>th</sup> August). Many of you were so disappointed this year that it was not on. We want to start applying and fundraising from December. If you have a brilliant idea for a fundraising event, do get in touch. We will give you all the support you need.

Upon consultation with schools, we are expanding our STEM Challenge programme to them.

Lastly, we want to continue using the Learning Bus as an outreach tool for a range of community events and groups.

# The Learning Bus

A summer to remember!

The Success4All team set off with our double decker Learning Bus to parks around Newcastle to help deliver the Best Summer Ever. We offered various STEM and Art activities from Kite Making, mummifying oranges to creating an Art Gallery. It started on 26<sup>th</sup> July and ended on 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

We enjoyed taking park and visiting all the beautiful parks that Newcastle has to offer: Walker Park, Blakelaw Park, Harbottle Park, Red House Farm Park, Leazes Park, Elswick and Farndale Park.



The History themed activities of decorating mummies and mummifying oranges went down a treat. Children and their families were interested in experiencing first-hand the Ancient Egyptian mummifying process.

It was lovely to see children and their families taking part and enjoying some time together painting, building and creatively exploring in their local park.

We would love to see this happening again next year and being able to venture out again with our Learning Bus.

*Budding architects used spaghetti and marshmallows to build towers.*

We hope everyone who came along to the events enjoyed their time and had the chance to explore their local park and all the activities that were on offer.



# WEYDA

We kicked off our 3-week long media project at Live Theatre exploring Fake News through performance. The group worked with the fantastic Becky and Paul to create a **mini drama masterpiece** we performed to an invited audience.

We continued from drama to **app developing**. The group had previously produced a Fake News survey using electronic clickers but now wanted to create a user-friendly mobile version to engage with the public. Dave, our IT-facilitator, took them through the steps to form a fully functional app anyone can access to give their opinions anonymously on Fake News.

*Scan the QR Code using your phone camera to complete the survey!*

*Or go to: <https://forms.gle/ZbMC1mBAN5X9omBs6>*



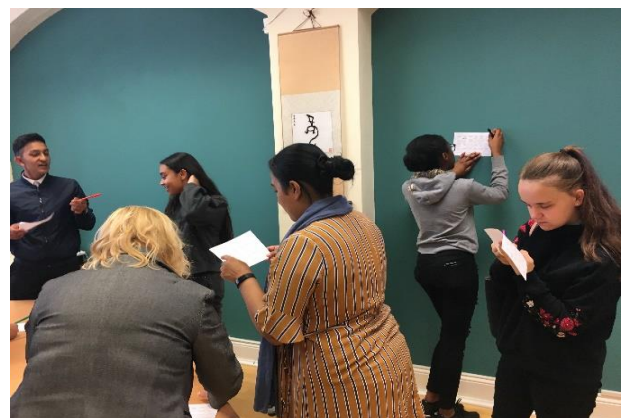
Our youth group also received **training in interviewing and debating skills**. This was to help build confidence speaking to members of the public in preparation for our **Metrocentre event** which took place on 2<sup>nd</sup> August. We welcomed people on board to take the survey using our digital clickers with Phil of CluedUp Kids. For busy shoppers, we also had prepared flyers with QR Codes so they could complete it in their own time. In total, we collected the opinions of 68 people using the digital clickers and 37 using the QR Codes. The group also conducted 11 in-depth interviews.



The following week, we got into heated **debates** with each other, challenging each other's opinions: Is there such thing as Fake News? Should there be a punishment for spreading Fake News? Does Fake News make you more critical? You can still watch them on our Facebook page.

On the last day, we visited Spice FM where the group **ran their own radio show** and talked about what they have learnt over the project. They also took calls from listeners and performed the **Fake News Rap** written, produced and performed by the group!

We look forward to continuing the project in September with more public engagement and a big trip to a major city to research Fake News. If you would like to take part, get in touch with Iram on: 07588217683 or Email: [iram@s4a.org.uk](mailto:iram@s4a.org.uk)



# Summer School @NAC Church

Sea, Sun and Sand – The recipe for a perfect summer break. A group of 79 children and young people, 8 group leaders and 4 parent volunteers at the Newcastle Apostolic Church enjoyed a one week summer programme, jam-packed with activities.

**Day 1:** Starting off the week we took part in sports including badminton and football, singing and dance at Dance City.

**Day 2:** We took on English and Maths team challenges followed by sports, a trip to the Discovery Museum and even washing cars for neighbours in the street.



*Plenty of sports to keep us healthy and active.*

**Day 3:** We continued our team building with educational team challenges in the morning and then organised various social actions in the afternoon. This included litter picking, cleaning up plant boxes, entertaining care home residents with singing and dancing and some more car washing by popular demand!

**Day 4:** The final day, the big trip out. – We went to Blyth Beach and Ridley water park and had loads and loads of fun.



# New additions to the team

## Volunteer Coordinator

Meet **Stella** our new Volunteer Coordinator. She was previously the Learning Hub Coordinator of the Arthur's Hill and Westgate Hill Primary Hubs. Since Stella is taking on a new role to manage volunteers at Success4All, the Arthur's Hill Hub will now be looked after by Nichole (see below).

Stella: 'I'm really excited about my new role. I'm looking forward to supporting our fabulous Learning Hub Coordinators and also playing greater part in developing volunteers' confidence and skills. I hope to support them in making the very most of their Success4All experience and the opportunity to work with the amazing young people that we're privileged to support.'



## Slatyford, Throckley and Arthur's Hill Learning Hubs

**Nicole** is the newest member to our team and will be the Learning Hub Coordinator at Slatyford, Throckley and Arthur's Hill Hubs.

She has now visited all the Hubs and is looking forward to meeting all new and returning children & young people; as well as getting to know the parents/guardians and her teams of volunteer tutor/befrienders.

'I think the important thing about the Hubs is that it's more of a community space rather than a school. If you can go to a space that is a bit more laid back, you have the chance to find something in it that you enjoy doing' 'I'm looking forward to working with all the children and young people' - Nicole.

## Code Club Leader

**Sonya** is our new Code Club Leader. She will be running the Slatyford and Benwell clubs starting in September. She will be taking over the Code Club Leader role from Moez who is off to study an electrical engineering masters at Newcastle University. We wish him all the best in his studies and thank him for all the hard work he put into the clubs.

Sonya is currently finishing a computer science degree at Newcastle University and has supported a code club in the past. We hope she can bring her experiences and coding knowledge to provide new explorations into the club.

Sonya: 'I'm looking forward to work with the Code Clubs and work with the children. I'm hoping to bring new resources and a different approach to coding with lots of exciting activities.'



## Meadow Well Learning Hub Coordinators

**Brooke** and **Emily** volunteered at the Meadow Well Learning Hub last year. They helped shape the way the Hub was run and introduced a warm, welcoming atmosphere for the tutees. This year, they will jointly take on the role of Kate, our previous Learning Hub Coordinator who we are very sad to see leave. We know that Kate has done a wonderful job establishing the Meadow Well Hub in the community and has passed on the Success4All values to her volunteers so we are in no doubt that both Emily and Brooke will take on the role with great success.



## Level 3 – AQA Accreditations

*We would like to take the time to congratulate the 23 volunteers who completed their Level 3 AQA accreditation in July – Yasmeen, Sophie, Charles, Daniel, Leah, Brooke, Ines, Emily, Haleema, Elizabeth, Emelia, Nawaf, Pierre, Rebecca, Brandon, Marie, Ellie, Harriet, Olivia, Meg, Aliyya, Nikol and Azlan.*

# Volunteer in the Spotlight



Marie our EVS Volunteer from France, has been with us since January 2019. She got involved in all of our programmes, from supporting our Learning Hubs by working with tutees, to planning activities for Newcastle Best Summer Ever park events. At the park events, she organised her team well and ensured each day went smoothly. She also is an expert in graphic design and has designed attractive flyers as well as a Study & Careers logbook and guide for our secondary students in the Learning Hubs.

Unfortunately, Marie will be leaving us in October at the end of her placement to return to France. We hope she has enjoyed her time with us and has learnt a lot through this experience. We wish her the best of luck for the future!

‘It was an exciting experience. I really enjoyed all the activities in particular painting colourful mummies with the children during the park events.’ – Marie

# 2019-20 Timetable

Now, we are very busy visiting schools, sixth form/colleges and universities in the area to recruit volunteers to support our Learning Hubs. We will be at: Sacred Heart High School, St. Cuthbert's High School, Whitley Bay High, Emmanuel College, St. Mary's High School, Newcastle University Volunteers Fair and Ponteland High School in the following weeks.

Attached is a timetable of all of our Hubs you can register to volunteer at or receive support for yourself, or your children.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>SLATYFORD LEARNING HUB</b>  Tyneside Badminton Centre Bowness Rd, NE5 2TA	<b>4:00 - 5:30PM</b> (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)  <b>5:30 - 6:30PM</b> <b>(CODE CLUB)</b>					
<b>BENWELL LEARNING HUB</b>  Carnegie Building, Atkinson Road, Benwell, NE4 8XS	<b>4:30 - 6:00pm</b>  (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)	<b>CODE CLUB</b> 4:30 - 5:30pm	<b>4:30 - 6:00pm</b>  (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)	<b>4:30 - 6:00pm</b>  (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)		<b>10:30 - 12:00PM</b> (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)  <b>12:15 - 1:45PM</b> (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)
<b>MEADOW WELL LEARNING HUB</b> Meadow Well Connected, The Meadows, Waterville Road, North Shields, NE29 6BA				<b>4:30 - 6:00PM</b>  (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)		
<b>THROCKLEY LEARNING HUB</b>  Throckley Community Hall, Back Victoria Terrace, NE15 9AA			<b>3:30 - 5:00pm</b> <i>KIDS CAN COOK</i>  5:00 - 6:00 - LH			
<b>WESTGATE HILL LEARNING HUB</b>  Westgate Hill Primary School, Beaconsfield Street, NE4 5JN	<b>3:30 - 5:00PM</b> 3:30 - 4:00 (CLUB)  4 - 5 PM - LH		<b>3:30 - 5:00PM</b> 3:30 - 4:00 (CLUB)  4 - 5 PM - LH			
<b>ARTHUR'S HILL LEARNING HUB</b>  6 Callerton Place, Newcastle, NE4 5NQ		<b>4:30 - 6:00pm</b>  (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)		<b>4:30 - 6:00pm</b>  (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)		
<b>THOMAS WALLING LEARNING HUB</b>  Lindfield Avenue, Newcastle NE5 3PL	<b>SCIENCE CLUB</b> (15)  3:30 - 4:45PM	<b>DRAMA</b> (20)  <b>ARTS &amp; CRAFTS</b> (15)  3:30 - 4:45PM		<b>CODE CLUB</b> (20)  3:30 - 4:45PM		

*Learning Hubs and Clubs start up on the week of Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September. We hope you have all enjoyed a lovely summer break and look forward to seeing you back very soon. – Success4All Team*

# 2019/20 Academic Calendar

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	Learning Hubs Closed/ Holidays		Summer School
	1-2-1 Block		Bank Holidays
	End of Year Party		Start & End of Learning Hubs