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Kent Youth Voice Update

November 2020

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Developing resilience in young people campaign

We have been working hard on producing a board game called the Resilience Game, which aims to be a fun way of young people learning about resilience & what people can do to improve their own resilience. It is hoped that the board game can be distributed to schools & youth organisations when it is ready. All of our design ideas have been sent off to have the game designer and we are excited to see the results.

We have also been visited by Angela Ford, the Programme Manager for HeadStart Kent to hear the exciting news that HeadStart is being extended for an extra year!

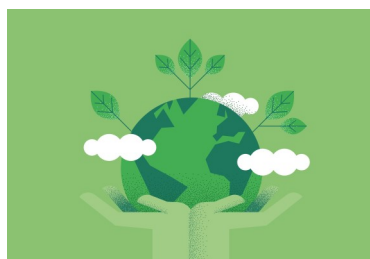
Curriculum for Life Campaign

We have recently changed our focus for this year, moving away from developing school lesson plans and starting to make videos to share with young people on social media. We want to find out from adults we know, experts in their field and from a range of professions, what life skills they wish they left school with & what advice they have to share with young people today. Follow us on social media to see our videos in the new year!



Environmental Awareness Campaign

We have seen huge progress during Covid with KYCC going almost completely paperless. We have seen how we can better use technology which we hope to maintain even after Covid. We are now developing a campaign on sustainable fashion, we are learning more about the issue of fast fashion and how we can do more to tackle it, raising awareness & offering alternative options.



Mental Health Campaign

For this year's World Mental Health Day, we hosted a question and answer panel with professionals from KCC, the CCG and NELFT. The young people worked together to choose those who they would like at the panel and the questions which they wanted to be answered. They invited others from Kent Youth Voice to submit questions which they would like answered and also which could be put to the panel on the day. Chaired by a member of the group, the Panel was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by all.



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Other KYCC news...

We are looking for new Members—register your interest now!

This year we are not holding our usual KYCC elections and have extended the membership of current members by 1 year. However, we do have some available Member and Deputy Member spaces, so if you are aged 11—18 years and would like to get involved register your interest at www.kent.gov.uk/kycc by Friday 18th December.

This is your chance to get involved, campaigning on the issues important to young people and making a difference across Kent and representing the views of young people. Please note meetings take place once a month, on a Saturday and are currently taking place virtually.

#BeAnAlly

This is a new group that has been set up with Kent Youth Voice Gravesham and Sevenoaks Youth Hubs to give young people a platform to work towards tackling all types of hate crime in Kent.



To help plan future work the group have produced a survey to get an understanding of young people's understanding of hate crime and their feelings about reporting hate crime. The survey can be found here: <https://bit.ly/31cqYuN> or by using the QR code

If you are interested in getting involved in this project please email KYCC@kent.gov.uk



UK Youth Parliament—Make Your Mark

Make Your Mark is an opportunity for 11-18 year olds across the UK to have their say and begin their democratic journey by voting on the policies they want to introduce or change.

The issues you vote as the most important will be debated by Members of Youth Parliament. They will campaign to influence the UK Parliament and their local representatives, ensuring that the views of young people are listened to by decision makers.

This is your opportunity to influence decision makers who can make a real difference on the issues that matter to you. Make Your Mark is one of the most important and influential ways young people can take part in a democratic process. **You have until 30th November to cast your vote!**

www.ukparliamentweek.org/en/make-your-mark



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