

THATCHAM YOUTH

SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

FREE SUMMER EVENTS SUCCESS

Our free summer events this year were popular as ever, with 767 young people taking part. We ran things from our family fun day & craft morning to african drumming & roller skating. We've had some fantastic feedback and are looking forward to our next lot of free events!



WE'RE RECRUITING!

Have you ever wanted to join our team of fantastic youth workers? Well now's a great time to join us as a Senior Youth Worker, with the role starting in January 2023 you will lead on several projects and have the chance to have a real impact. Find out full information about the role on our website

<https://www.thatchamyouth.org.uk/job-vacancies/>

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

GET IN TOUCH IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION!

YOUTH CLUBS

We're always looking for volunteers to help run our Monday & Friday night youth clubs, helping with our arts & crafts, sports and more!

ROLLER DISCO

Our Roller Disco runs once a month from Kennet Leisure Centre, we're after people to help steward the events - you can skate if you wish too!

SOCIAL MEDIA

We have Facebook, Instagram, Twitter & a website that we update regularly, currently managed by one volunteer, we'd love someone else to join!

OUR PROJECTS



OUR WEEKLY YOUTH CLUBS

We run two regular youth clubs, Vision Youth Club for 7-11 Year Olds on Fridays and The Zone Youth Club for 11 - 14+ year olds. Both clubs offer a range of arts & crafts, sports, music, baking & more activities as well a safe place to hang out with friends. Head over to our website to find out full information about them both.

ROLLER DISCO IS BACK!

After a summer break, our Roller Disco returns on 10th September , 1st October, 12th November & 10th December. Just £5 including skate hire when booked online, so make sure to come and join us! Book on www.ticketsource.co.uk/thatcham-youth



OUTREACH YOUTH WORK

Our Outreach Youth Workers have been out on the streets of Thatcham this summer engaging with young people. Outreach youth work is all about going where the young people are, telling them about our regular projects and trying to get them involved. Both Sam & Hannah have been building great relationships with the young people and we have seen some start to attend our youth groups.

SUPPORTING US



There is a whole range of ways you can support our charity. As well as volunteering, you can donate money, organise a fundraiser, buy things from our Amazon Wishlist and much more! Head to our website to find out more:

<https://www.thatchamyouth.org.uk/supporting-us/>

THANK YOU!!

We would like to thank the Dulux Decorating Centre in Newbury for the donation of paint for our sports hall and outside of our community centre. A huge thanks also to Dan, Dave, Keith, Sam, Ben & Rach who volunteered to paint our outdoor sports court & sports hall over the summer!



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Well what an amazing summer it has been for our charity! We kicked it off by bringing back the fun run at the Thatcham Family Fun Day which was well enjoyed and ever so popular. We then had our annual free summer events programme as well as a brand new Summer Holiday Activity Programme for secondary school children ran in partnership with other organisations. My personal thanks to all of our volunteers who made the days possible!

Whilst summer was a great one, our youth clubs do get quieter, although we still engage with 30 - 40 young people a week, we are excited to return in September to our normal attendance of around 80 - 90 young people a week between the two. We are really excited at the activities we have coming up at the clubs so make sure to come and join us!

September brings with it the return of some over activities too, with Thatcham Roller Disco back and our Support Groups return too. The support groups are open to primary & secondary school age children and offer the chance to improve their resilience and learn coping mechanisms for things like school stress, anxiety and more.

We're excited to see lots of you at our events & activities and I am sure it will be another great few months for our charity!

I would also just like to take the chance to thank Waitrose Thatcham and Dulux Decoration Centre (Newbury) who have provided funding & donations to our charity over the last few months.

Best wishes for the next few months everyone! Dan