Happy New Year!

Children's Service Newsletter

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Hemat Gryffe Women's Aid

Welcome to the children's service newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading about the many events the children have been involved in.

October Break

The children had a great time during the school holidays. They made great halloween decorations for the refuge play flat. They went on outings to a soft play, bowling, a trampoline park, plus a lunch at Nando's.

The children also visited some museums across Glasgow during the break, Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, Glasgow Science Centre, and The Riverside Museum. For some of the families this was a first time experience! The children told us that they had fun and enjoyed what they learned on their visits.

Halloween Party Time!

On Halloween night a party was hosted in the refuge. Children, families and staff attended the party. All children and workers dressed up, there were lots of excellent costumes! Everyone played games, like Doughnut on a String, Apple Dunking, Musical Statues and Musical Bumps. Snacks were plenty and there was dancing to spooky tunes, ooooOOOooh...





Photograph from Bowling Trip, above.



Images from Hallowwen Party, above

Bobbing for apples!

Festive Treats

The children had great fun making Christmas arts and crafts, creating pictures and decorations to make the play flat super Christmassy before going to see Santa in his grotto with their Christmas lists.

Thanks to funding from Children In Need the festivities continued with a trip to the Panto 'The Magical Adventures of Aladdin' at Pavilion Theatre, and an afternoon at the Glasgow Christmas Markets where all the children enjoyed the rides.

We had a special visitor at the refuge Christmas party. Santa brought many gifts to give to the children and some to leave under the tree for Christmas Day. The day continued with games, dancing and lovely food. Fun was had by all.

Thanks are extended to Kids Out, Children in Need, Partick Jobcentre, the Sarwar Foundation and Cash for Kids for their generous donations!

Photo's from Christmas Party, above

School-Based Support

Hemat Gryffe Women's Aid also provides school based support in a number of schools across Glasgow. Support is available for any young person who is worried about issues at home, including domestic abuse, forced marriage and honour based abuse.

Most of our children and young people access our support during the school day. Some require additional support including advocacy to ensure that they are fairly represented with other agencies.

We have developed a new poster to be displayed in schools to provide information and contact details for children and young people who feel they need some support.

Sessions stopped during the school Christmas break and resumed on the 5^{th} January 2023.



School Support Poster, pictured above





