

NCFC Study Centre

Tackling new skills, heading for success



Canary Club

A Disadvantaged Children and Young People Subsidy Programme

Canary Club provides an opportunity for school clusters to deliver out of hours provision that is genuinely unique and exciting and which **fully meets the 6 guiding principles for use of disadvantaged subsidy funding**. As it combines participation in sport, project work and development of core ICT skills, it also can provide high quality evidence of how schools are delivering the *every child matters* agenda.

Session composition

Each after school session consists of 1 hour of exciting activity in the Study centre, which is a creative and fun session often using the football stadium as a resource. This is followed by an enjoyable and dynamic sporting session which takes place at Carrow Park, delivered by a qualified coach.

How is it relevant to young people?

All the sessions give the students the opportunity to participate in enjoyable activities which cannot be pursued in the school environment. They are often focussed on football but not to the extent where the subject dominates the work.

The emphasis is on fun, creativity, and the learning of new skills in a relaxed and enjoyable environment.

How does the programme meet the needs of the target group?

- It encourages children to attend and commit to a different learning activity out of school
- It engages children in alternative activities which may be followed in school.
- It encourages children to improve their attendance at a regular activity
- It encourages children to pursue regular exercise
- It provides children with a safe environment in which to work
- It allows children to achieve in different and unusual activities
- It encourages children to develop new skills ie ICT, photography, drama, making a comic, new sports eg lacrosse
- It helps to develop confidence and self-esteem ie. Making new friends from different schools,
- presenting to an audience, relating to different adult teachers

Topics covered so far

To date the following topics have been delivered:

- Theatre in the Stadium- performing drama sketches in key areas of stadium;
- Making a Movie on a favourite topic eg sport, music, TV;
- Comic Strip Fun – producing a comic featuring the children as the characters;
- Talent Show – performing to an audience. Singing, playing an instrument, dancing, reading poetry, cup stacking;
- Creating a new Charity- devising a logo, painting an eco-bag
- Creating, designing and making new World Cup trophies

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Individual case studies- *Taken from a pilot run with the Acle Cluster of schools*

Quote from a Headteacher

"One of my mum's said that her son had come back with the biggest smile on his face and was talking non stop about the activities; she said she had never seen him react to anything to do with school like he did to the session with Ros! Feedback from children and also from other heads has been overwhelmingly positive – my boys were thrilled that they had made new friends from other schools and also that they really enjoyed the activities in the stadium".

Attendance

Year 5s & 6s

November – February 96% attendance

Year 3s & 4s

November- February 97% attendance

Quotes

Harley- "I have enjoyed making new friends and now have 4 good new friends"

Aaron- "I love using the laptops and I really enjoy every activity"

George- "I loved presentation night especially singing to all the parents"

Connor- "I love doing the sport especially learning new sports such as basketball and dodgeball"

Chloe - "I always look forward to coming each week"

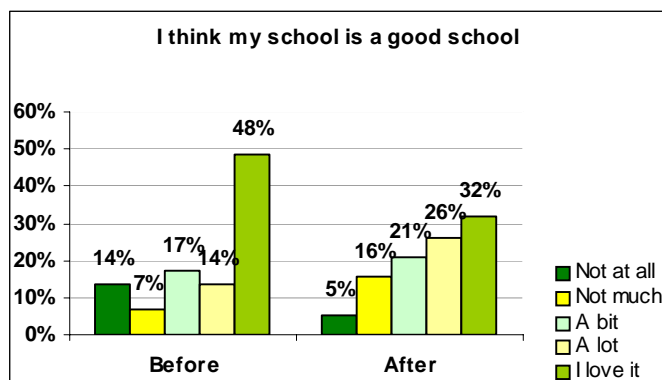
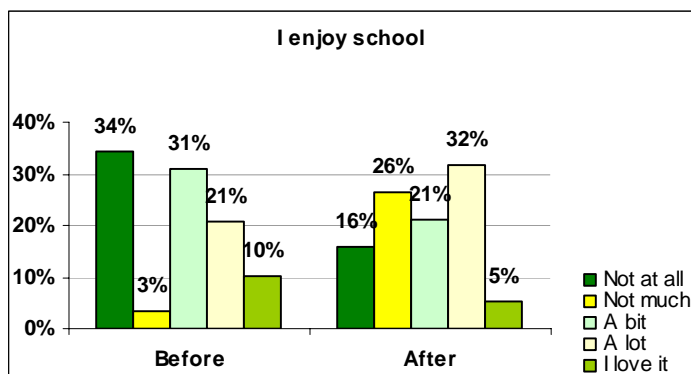


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Evidence of improved attitude

Students are asked to rate their attitude towards themselves and school at the beginning and end of the course. The results are shown below:



Cost

Canary Club is extremely good value for money: it offers combined ICT or craft activities followed by sporting activities for a single fee. It can also be run with up to 30 students at once, meaning that each school in a cluster can send multiple students each week. This means that the weekly cost is then shared.

Costing Breakdown:

Model 1– 1 group of 15 students with 2 hours of activity delivered by NCFC Study Centre and FITC

Staffing (1 hour plus 30 mins prep)	75.00
Consumables	10.00
FITC coach	30.00
Sports facility hire	25.00
TOTAL COST PER SESSION*	140.00

Model 2– 2 groups of 15 students alternating between NCFC Study Centre and FITC

Staffing (2 hours plus 1 hour prep)	150.00
Consumables	20.00
FITC Coach	60.00
Sports facility hire	50.00
TOTAL COST PER SESSION*	280.00

**Total cost for the term will also incur a 10% contingency cost.*

Transport

NCFC Study Centre's after school *Playing for Success* programme is supported by Dolphin Transport who are hired to bring students to the centre. The Centre does not have its own transport.

Dolphin currently charge £60 for a 16 seater minibus to collect and return students to a Norwich school.

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