

APPENDIX 3

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM ACHIEVEMORE SCOTLAND ON CURRENT WORK IN MARYHILL AREA

Summer Camp

We operated our summer holiday camp at John Paul Academy, where children from St. Mary's, Parkview, Caldercuilt, St. Blanes, and St. Charles were offered spaces to attend. We averaged 54 participants per day, and the children were provided with breakfast and lunch. As part of the holiday camp, the children participated in a range of activities, from tennis, dance, and team-building games. We recently signed up with Fare Share and the Good Things Foundation, so we were able to distribute ambient goods from ASDA Summerston, as well as data SIM cards for those struggling with data poverty. One of the main issues families were facing during the holiday camp was purchasing school uniforms; from this, we supported 9 families with school uniforms.

Since the end of the holiday camp, we were awarded money from Cash for Kids to purchase school uniforms to distribute amongst the schools for targeted families.

On top of the Johnpaul Camp, we operated our first Tennis Holiday Camp, which ran from 04/08/25 to 08/08/25, funded by Glasgow Life in the Maryhill Tennis courts. This was very well attended, with an average of 45 participants per day from all over Glasgow. We provided transport as well as breakfast and lunch per day to ensure this was not a barrier to young people attending. As this was so well received, Glasgow Life has offered to fund the same model during the October week.

Diversiory update

Our weekly free dance class returned to Johnpaul Academy from Tuesday, 19/08/25, with participants aged 8+ attending from the local area. The class is well attended each week, with the young people being allowed to participate in competitions and annual shows.

In partnership with North United Communities, we will be running a weekly football site within the Ruchill area between 6:30-7:30 pm every Wednesday. We are hoping this will be popular, as we have received many requests as part of our schoolwork for a site within this area.

Levelling the Field

As part of our work within the area, we decided to combine both our weekly family afterschool session with a community session, being held within Johnpaul Academy from Wednesday 03/09/25. Our weekly session consists of us inviting the families along for some food and a chance to participate in a range of activities. Each week, we try to invite along a different organisation/ professional who will be of benefit to the families, and last year, we were able to support 46 families to find dental care, as well as 90 families to sign up for library cards. We will also continue to offer ambient food goods from Fare Share, as well as support with Data Poverty.

A big aspect of my role has been offering family support within St Mary's and Parkview Primary to targeted families, who require support with issues such as food insecurities, filling out and understanding forms, as well as seeking referrals from outside agencies. Within the last year, we have been able to refer families to the Aberlour Urgent Assistance programme to receive a small grant to help with daily living, with the total amount of £2800 being awarded. We have also recently registered with the Children in Need Family Fund Emergency Essentials Programme, so that we can support families who require household items such as whitegoods or clothing for their children. This is an important part of the role as it has allowed me to build relationships within the community and helped to build attendance at the after-school sessions.

Through our work with Kathryn Farrow, Quality Improvement Officer at GCC Education and the family learning team, we were asked to look at the ASN support within schools, as feedback from the recent attendance campaign indicated that this was a part of the cause of the low attendance rates. In consultation with the parents of the local schools and early years establishments, we have begun delivering ASN parental information sessions within the Bellcraig centre, supported by 'With Kids'. Each week, we have averaged around 15 parent carers attending each week to look at topics such as understanding neurodiversity and support with transition. We have also invited Kathryn Farrow to talk about support available within the schools, as well as Alison from the Active Schools team to talk about activities available for ASN children. This will be

returning in September, but we will also be offering a further ASN parental peer support session with St Mary's Primary to be led by 2 parent volunteers, who will receive NHS training arranged by Aisha Azam. We are hopeful that this will be something we can further offer out once parents are trained to deliver.

Schools

Our Coaches will continue to deliver support within St Mary's and Parkview Primary as well as St Blanes from this week.