



Youth After School Art and Craft Classes

Project Highlights

- Delivered from May to October 2023, delivering **18 sessions** across **Hendon, Colindale, and Grahame Park** community venues.
- Engaged over **20 participants aged 5-16**
- Children gained **hands-on creative skills** (e.g., sewing, drawing, crafts)
- Promoted **self-expression, confidence, and independence**
- Encouraged **early intervention, physical activity, and teamwork**
- Sessions were **youth-led**, with participants contributing ideas and direction

Project Impacts

- Improved **emotional wellbeing** and **creative confidence**
- Fostered **pride in achievements** and **positive self-image**
- Strengthened **community connection** through shared creative activities
- Empowered participants to **take ownership** of their learning

Quotes from the Project

"I have always wanted to learn how to use the machine. I cannot believe I can sew a bag. I am so lucky!"
— Participant



"I couldn't believe how intelligent and creative the young people are. Their imagination in drawing and craft is remarkable."
— Project Coordinator



The Difference Funding Made

- **Free access** ensured inclusion of children from **diverse backgrounds** and **high-deprivation areas**.
- Provided a **unique creative outlet** that built **confidence, community spirit, and personal growth**.
- Demonstrated how **targeted funding** can make a **tangible difference** in young lives.

Pathways & Continuation

- Participants invited to **continue classes** on Saturday mornings
- Building a **collection of art and crafts** for **future exhibitions** and **community events**
- Supports **long-term engagement** and **ongoing skill development**.

