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To the Chair and Members of
The Central Area Committee

NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT

NEIC Greening Strategy Update Report to Central Area Committee November 2023

NEIC Greening Strategy 2023

- 5 year review of all projects, review maintenance and progress to date.
Ongoing
- Green walls
 - Commons Street (Similar to Portland Row)
Complete
 - Further Sites being investigated
- Community Project (Ballybough Pride of Place)
 - Meet with the community group to look at a series of small interventions
 - Meetings planned for Quarter 3 2023
- DCC Housing Collaboration
 - Meet with DCC housing and look at planting trees within their lands as part of the NEIC GS were appropriate. Similar to Liberty House and Ballybough house tree planting.
 - Meetings planned for Quarter 3 2023
- Sherrard Street -
- Russell Street -
- Portland Street North-
- Belvidere Avenue -
- Portland Square-
- Sherrard Street Lower -
- Sherrard Avenue -
- *Emmet Street request to add to project bundle. Quote sought.*
 - Design Teams Appointed
 - Surveys Complete
 - Preliminary Designs Complete
 - Public Consultations organised for September
- Buckingham Street Progress Feasibility Study
 - Complete
 - Circulation and discussions underway

- Store Street
 - Store Street Surveys Complete.
 - Due to over congestion of services greening interventions may not be possible. Further studies required.
- Summer Street Feasibility Study
 - Design Team Appointed
 - Surveys Complete
 - Preliminary Designs Complete
 - Public Consultations organised for Quarter 3 2023
- The NEIC Urban Tree Trail – (Progress/Education/Tourism)
 - Desktop studies currently in progress
 - Quotes sought for Graphic Design Services
- Royal Canal Phase Two - Exercise Mile
 - Out to Tender
- Royal Canal Green heritage quay wall reclamation and landscape features installation.
 - Complete
- Liberty Park Calisthenics and accessibility improvements
 - Out to Tender

NEIC Greening Strategy Larger Projects

- Mount Joy Square (Separate Funding)
 - Railing Restoration underway
 - Park Design @
 - Research Stage
 - Tree Surveys Underway
 - Ecological Surveys Underway
 - Precedence and desktop studies underway
 - Archaeological investigation works complete
 - Engagement & Design (Part 8) to follow
- Customs House Quay – Landscape Refurbishment Works
 - Topographical and GPR Surveys complete
 - Feasibility Study complete
 - Interdepartmental circulation and discussions underway.

Gareth Toolan

Dublin City Council Parks Department



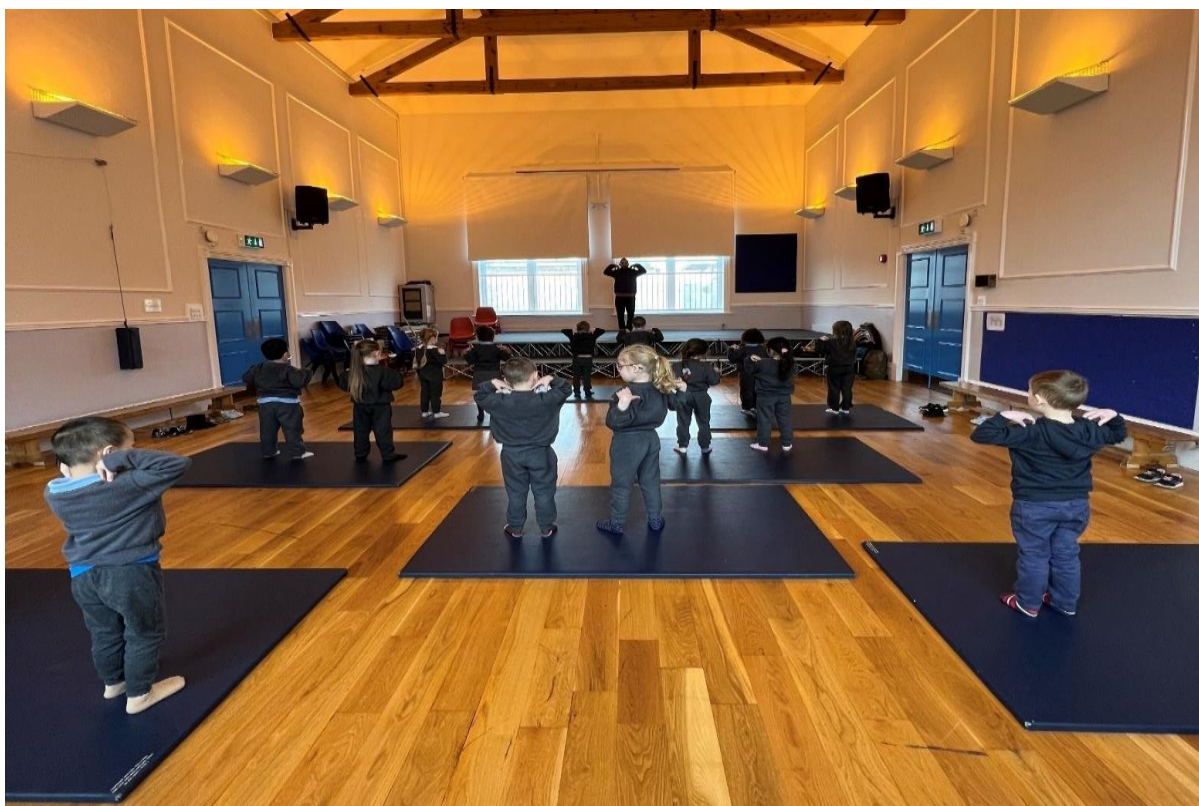
NEIC Intercultural Report Report to Central Area Committee November 2023

Supporting the transcultural film project through connecting with Killarney Hall venue for workshops and families meet-ups for Salmagundi, a transcultural film project involving more than 15 families in the Dublin City area by filmmaker Jijo Sebastian, commissioned by Hugh Lane and Create.

Intercultural Sport and Activities

Working with Peter O'Donnell (Sports Officer) and Ozanam House on search for volunteer coaches.

Working in various capacities with Michael Darragh Mc Auley (Sports and Wellbeing Officer) and Marcela Parducci (The Five Lamps Arts Festival) at Comunidade Sports and Intercultural Activities project.





Engaging Cultural Mediator Denisa Cristea to engage with the Young Roma community with a view to facilitating dance classes and inviting them to take part of Global Village event.

Supporting Intercultural Ambassador Yvette Cheevers in her led project Take 1 Ingredient hosted monthly at Mud Island Community Garden.



Working on events calendar and **Diversity and Inclusion Calendar 2024** of important dates and celebrations. Also engaging with people, and organisations that were in touch with former

Intercultural Coordinator about various subjects including supports available and sharing opportunities.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CALENDAR
JANUARY

GD - Global Days

- 1 JAN: Global Family Day
- 4 JAN: World Braille Day (A/RES/73/161)
- 15 JAN: World Religion Day
- 22 JAN: Community Manager Appreciation Day
- 24 JAN: World Day for African and Afro-descendant Culture
- International Day of Education
- 28 JAN: Global Community Engagement Day

ND - National Days

- 1 JAN: Haiti Independence Day
- Sudan Independence Day
- 23 JAN: First Philippine Republic Day

R/C - Religious/Cultural

- JAN 7: Orthodox Christmas
- 13 JAN: Lohri (India)
- 15 JAN: World Religion Day

W/M - Weeks/Months Celebrations

- Financial Wellness Month
- Get Ireland Active
- International Creativity Month

ID - Intercultural Days

- 24 JAN: World Day for African and Afro descendant Culture
- 27 JAN: International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (A/RES/60/77)

IRL - Ireland

- 12 JAN - 12 MAR: Ireland Lights Up Get Ireland Walking
- 2 - 17 JAN: First Fortnight Mental Health Art & Culture Festival Ireland

HWA - Health, Wellbeing and awareness dates

- 16 JAN: Blue Day
- 17 JAN: START Child Healthy Eating Campaign
- Food Dudes Healthy Eating programme An Bord Bia
- 20 JAN: International Day of Acceptance
- 17-23 JAN: European Cervical Cancer Prevention National Cervical Screening Service
- 24 JAN: Take A Walk Outdoors Day
- 28 JAN: International Reducing CO2 Emissions Day

Legend: W/M - Weeks/Months Celebrations, IRL - Ireland, R/C - Religious/Cultural, ND - National Days, GD - Global Days, ID - Intercultural Days, F - Festivals, HWA - Health, Wellbeing and awareness dates

Working on **Volunteer Database** for NEIC events. 100+ people registered. Contacting potential volunteers for The Big Scream event and supporting them on the day.



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VOLUNTEERING WITH NEIC

SHARE [Email] [Facebook] [LinkedIn] [Twitter]

Are you interested in making a difference in our neighbourhood?

We are looking for volunteers!

With exciting summer and autumn events coming up soon in the North East Inner City area, we are looking to connect and work together with local residents.

This is an opportunity for people with energy and enthusiasm to be involved and contribute to a vital new force in one of Dublin's oldest and most remarkable communities.

Sign up using the link below and make a difference in our area!

[Sign up here!](#)

Performers Call Out open for taking part at **Global Village 2023** happening during Inclusion & Integration Week 6th - 12th November. This is in partnership with Civic Offices/Inclusion & Integration officer Beatrice Casserly. Supported by two Intercultural Ambassadors that were interested to engage. The event will be held on Sunday 12th November, place still to be confirmed

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NEIC Sport Recreation & Wellbeing Programme Report to Central Area Committee November 2023

Education & Football in the NEIC

The NEIC/DCC has started a new further education course in the NEIC, this will be groundbreaking to the development to the community of the NEIC for their further development. North Wall CDP is the provider of the L.I.F.E. – Learning in a Football Environment Course (QQI Level 4 Sports, Recreation & Exercise). The focus of the course is to engage young learners in the NEIC and progress them to their chosen pathway, be it further education or employment. The duration is a 44-week course that starts in September 2023.

BOHEMIAN FOOTBALL CLUB
DUBLIN

L.I.F.E.
LEARNING IN A FOOTBALL ENVIRONMENT
POWERED BY BOHEMIAN F.C.

NW CDP
NORTH WALL CDP

Learning In Football Environments
STARTING OCTOBER 2023
L.I.F.E PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE RUNNING OF OUR NEW
QQI LEVEL 4 MAJOR AWARD IN SPORTS AND REC
HOSTED @ NATIONAL COLLEGE IRELAND,
DELIVERED BY NWCDP
AND POWERED BY BOHEMIAN F.C.

THE NEW FULL TIME 44 WEEK COURSE INCLUDES
RLSS LIFEGUARD & FIRST AID QUALIFICATIONS
FULL GYM MEMBERSHIP
FAI QUALIFICATIONS
LEARN USING **STATSPORTS** GPS TRACKING MONITORS
PLUS MATCH ANALYSIS USING **VED 2** CAMERA AND SOFTWARE

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CHOOSE LIFE

D1 Academy

The D1 academy is a collaboration with The FAI, NEIC and DCC for kids in the NEIC, to play social football without the pressures of been in a team or not been able to play at a leave or standard. Kids will develop in sports at defined stages though out there life's and may not be physical or mentally ready to play at the leave of their particular sport at this present moment. The D1 Academy is to support the kid's development and build their confidence in playing sport, make friends and learn new skills. The Academy has been a great success with 60 kids registered and 40 kids, girls and boys attaining on a weekly bases.



The D1 Football Academy

O'Connell's School
Every Saturday morning 11am-12pm
Boys and Girls Aged 7-10
Cost : €3 per week
FAI Qualified Coaches
Contact : neil.Keoghan@fai.ie
Or
083-879-5580



Late Night Leagues

The late night league has restarted again this year, as we had one during the school summer break and now with the lead up to Halloween. The programme is being held in the Sheriff YC football hall for a four week programme, with the collaboration of FAI and An Garda. The age categories were 12 to 16, female and male. The numbers every week have been 25-30 kids attending thanks to the support of the NEIC and local youth groups such as SWAN, Belvedere, and East Wall YP.



Basketball / NEIC Trojans

The NEIC Trojans have four teams entered in the Dublin Leagues this year, following on from the success of two teams last year. All four teams have begun their journeys playing home and away games and lots of fun is being had most importantly. The academy is still going strong for those not quite ready to play on teams yet. We also have a strong schools programme which we are implementing throughout the schools in the NEIC



Boules at James Joyce Park

The newly developed park (James Joyce Park) has been an excellent addition to the area. It is very inviting and has a real feeling of being in a safe environment. It has included a Boules court in the heart of the park, and we have taken full advantage of it the facility. We have brought local groups of all ages, to encourage them to become more active. From this we ran a weekly programme for the elderly and invited the Lourdes Day Care centre to take part. They have really taken to it, with some singing and dancing as they play, having a great time with the staff. This has resulted in them no playing on a weekly basis.



Handball for Primary School

The NEIC has continued to re-establish the sport of Handball in the NEIC. O'Connell primary school is taking part in a six week programme to encourage, teach and develop children in the school to play Handball. The school is based directly beside the National Handball Centre and some of the young people who attend the school and live beside the centre were not even aware of the centre existence until now.





Handball for Secondary School

The NEIC has continued to re-establish the sport of Handball in the NEIC. O'Connell secondary school is taking part in a six week programme to encourage and teach the kids to play Handball. The school is located directly beside the National Handball Centre and the kids who attend the school and are residents in the local area had been unaware of the centres existence until now.

These young adults are really benefiting from the activity and the coaches have made a positive impact on them. The school have since requested that Handball be placed on the Physical education curriculum for entire school. We have collaborated with GAA Handball and we will be facilitating Handball up towards Christmas for all students.



Ozanam House

Men on the Move

This is a group of man from 47 to75 years of age, that meet up in Ozanam house three days a week. They would come from a generation of where expressing your emotions was not a thing a man should do. We have been working with this group for some time now and they have come on in leaps and bounds. The group have been opening up on our activities such as our walk and talks and now with their new Handball wall they can have fun, chat and open up about their daily lives.



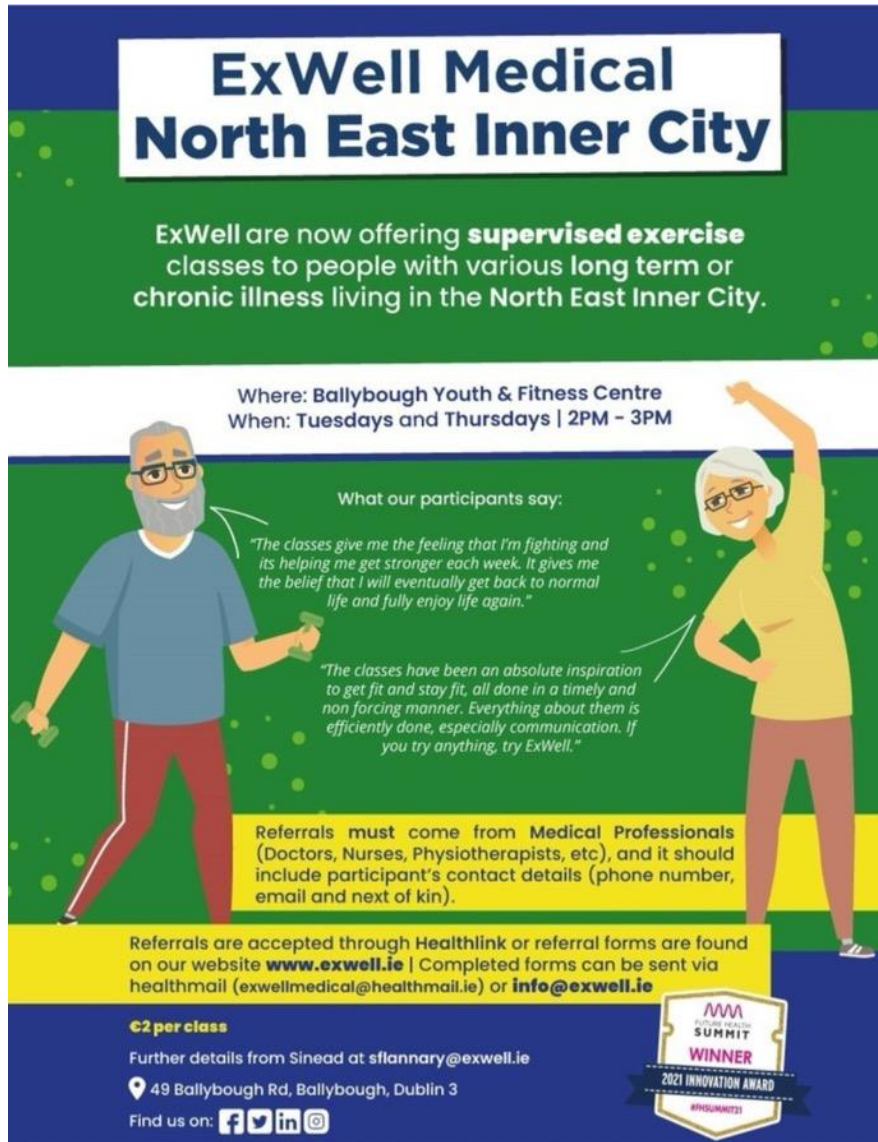
NEIC Walking Football

Every Friday from 12-1pm on the St Laurence O'Toole's Recreation Centre pitch, next to Sheriff YC, we have a game of walking football for over 50's. This program has grown from 6 participants to an average of 12 playing every week. This has been hugely successful in many ways. We have locals as old as 77 years playing every week and have one participant who gets the train in from Skerries every week to play, he suffered a mild stroke last year and when we began his movement was slow and limited and his speech was very poor, after 3 months he is now moving freely around the pitch and his communication has come on leaps and bounds, proof of the value and health benefits of this program.



ExWell Medical

ExWell Medical continues to offer its unique medically supervised exercises classes specifically for residents of the North East Inner City on Tuesdays and Thursday in Ballybough Community Centre. The classes work off a referral scheme through local GP's to help people on their journey to wellness.



**ExWell Medical
North East Inner City**

ExWell are now offering **supervised exercise** classes to people with various long term or chronic illness living in the North East Inner City.

Where: **Ballybough Youth & Fitness Centre**
When: **Tuesdays and Thursdays | 2PM - 3PM**

What our participants say:

"The classes give me the feeling that I'm fighting and its helping me get stronger each week. It gives me the belief that I will eventually get back to normal life and fully enjoy life again."

"The classes have been an absolute inspiration to get fit and stay fit, all done in a timely and non forcing manner. Everything about them is efficiently done, especially communication. If you try anything, try ExWell."

Referrals must come from Medical Professionals (Doctors, Nurses, Physiotherapists, etc), and it should include participant's contact details (phone number, email and next of kin).

Referrals are accepted through Healthlink or referral forms are found on our website www.exwell.ie | Completed forms can be sent via healthmail (exwellmedical@healthmail.ie) or info@exwell.ie

€2 per class
Further details from Sinead at sflannery@exwell.ie
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New Handball Wall in Ozanam House

The Handball wall that was erected in the Swellfest has been re-erected in the Hall of Ozanam House. We have been running Handball programmes for the kids in Ozanam House throughout the year, with great success. They now have taken up Handball as their sport and bring the kids up to the National Handball Centre on a weekly basis. Since the new Handball wall has been erected they can practise the sport and enjoy playing at their own leisure. As well as being able to play Handball it is also a white board to project films for all, it surely is a great addition to the resource centre.



Women on the Move

This programme was designed to interact with a group of women from the SAOL Programme (SAOL is an integrated programme of education, rehabilitation, advocacy and childcare). The SAOL Project's on-going commitment to the women, children and community members of the North Inner City continues to develop, responding to the changing needs of the women who participate in their project. The woman on the move is helping woman in this particular group to be more active. Some of the woman in this group would not leave their home or interact with other people apart from the time that they are in the Saol programme.

The programme has developed into a weekly fitness activity, with a local athlete coming in to teach an array of fitness activity. The athlete that comes in is Ruth Barry who is a runner that competes though out Europe as well as Ireland.



ACRG Cycling Club

The newly formed Inner City Cycling club has progressed to setting up their very own cycling route and has taking ownership of their weekly cycles. They have progressed with their cycling skills in such a manner as that they can cycle in a group in such a way, that everyone is kept safe and they could and can cycle anywhere in the country.



Active Ageing with Eddie

From the amazing energy that has been created from the circuit classes, the amazing DCC staff in St Laurence O'Toole Recreation Centre have started an Active Ageing fitness class with Eddie. This was something that we could see was needed in the area and after a discussion with the staff they were happy to help. The staff are very much about helping out in any way with the community despite being very busy throughout the day with the young and elderly in the centre. The staff making time in their busy schedules is very much appreciated and we will be supporting them with some equipment when needed. Eddie has progressed the class in such a way that it is has become so popular they are now adding another class to their weekly schedule.



Run with Ruth Barry

The NEIC have established a weekly fun run in the NEIC for all to take part, from people at the very beginning of your running journey to people running marathons. We were delighted to welcome a local athlete Ruth Barry on board to coach and encourage people in there running journey.

RUN WITH RUTH

Join Ruth & local runners in a friendly,
challenging lunchtime run

All Levels Welcome

Wednesdays 12.30p.m.

Meeting Point: Dublin City Council Central Area Office, 51 - 53 Sean McDermott St.



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**NEIC Community Arts
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The NEIC Community Arts Programme has continued to deliver a range of initiatives this October to support the meaningful development of the Arts across the many different communities of the NEIC.

1. Arts on your Doorstep

This October the Community Arts Programme began working with Focus Ireland to deliver its first Community Arts Programme to residents who access homeless accommodation. Classical Musician and Early Years Practitioner Eamon Sweeney began an introductory music programme to parents and children, exploring the many benefits of music and play with very young children.



2. Development of NEIC Community Arts Strategic Plan:

The Community Arts Programme had continued to develop its strategic plan for 2024 - 2027 this autumn. It is hoped to launch the strategic plan in January 2024.

3. Drama with the Active Retirement Association in Ozanam House

Our Drama Programme for older people resumed this October. Participants have decided to work towards a Christmas show that they will present to local School Children in December.

4. Early Years Partnership Programme

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The Early Years Residency in partnership with the Hugh Lane continues with Ozanam House this October. Parents, Children and Early Childhood Educators, participated in workshops, both in their Early Years Setting and in the Hugh Lane Gallery.

The Early Years Partnership Programme also continues with

- A three month Early Years Music Residency with St. Louises pre-school in partnership with the **NCH**.
- A storytelling programme of work with St. Bridids pre-school in partnership with **Fighting Words**.
- First steps - A storytelling CPD programme delivered to two local pre-schools in partnership with **The Gate Theatre**.



5. Visual Arts Residency in St. Laurence O'Toole CBS:

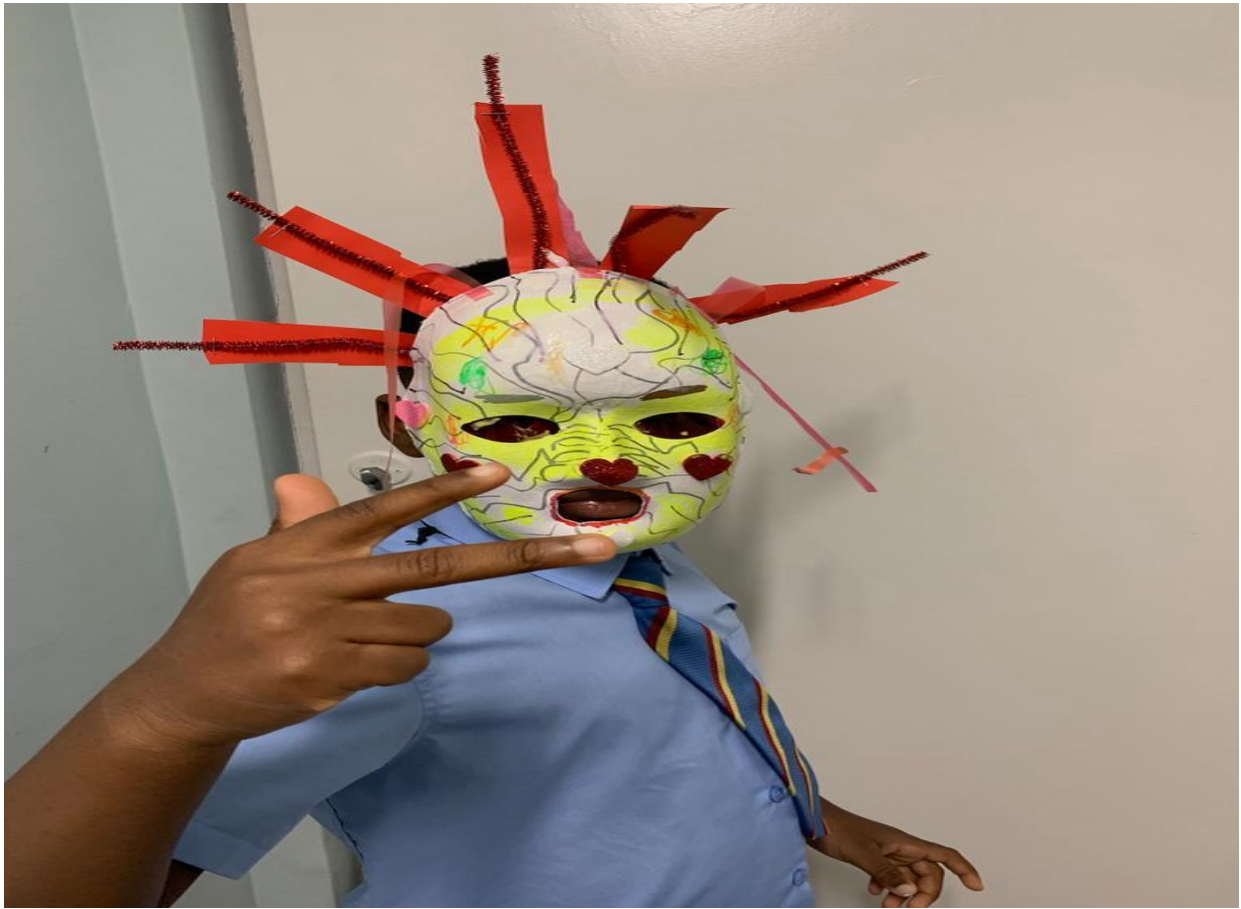


This residency with the 5th and 6th Class boys of St. Laurence's with the artist Susie Murphy has resumed again this autumn. Susie will be working with the boys until June 2024.

6. Halloween Workshops:

The artist Bethan Parkes and Olga Khomiak. The artists worked with children in the after schools of ASESP, CASPR, Belvedere and Hill Street to create a range of wild and wacky masks.





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