Lily-Ann's Story

Active Fusion's impact on the South Yorkshire community





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Lily-Ann, participant at Fusion Camp.

Lilly-Ann is 6-years-old and accessed over 210 hours of Fusion Camp provision at Bentley High Street Primary School in Doncaster. Lilly-Ann's parents applied to Active Fusion to access support so that they could continue to work during the summer break.

Lily-Ann shared that in the past, her parents were unable to access suitable support during holidays. As a result, Lily-Ann would be limited to activity in and around the home, often on her own. She was therefore unable to play with her friends and could only use the resources she had at home.

With a range of physical and creative activities across the camp programme, Lily-Ann shared why camp was important to her. She said, "Making friends is my favourite part of camp". Sharing how she has grown in confidence, not just in making new friends but in trying new things every week.

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Lily-Ann also enjoyed the Creative Writing workshops led by the Literacy Trust. She took delight in sharing how excited she was to take home one of the books and to keep it! "My Mum and I sat down to read it together when I got home. That was great too".

Coaches on camp saw Lily-Ann grow in confidence and resilience to keep trying with physical activities she was less familiar with at the start of the summer. Her growing independence and freedom to enjoy camp with friends led to her developing new skills and work more as a team.

She is one of over 1200 children that attended camp provision across Doncaster funded through the Department for Education Holiday Activity Fund. Children in need, like Lily-Ann, were able to take part in positive activities led by our specialist Coaching team in order to keep them safe, fit and fed when parents need us the most.



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Over the last 12 months, Active
Fusion has influenced the lives of
26,908 children, young people, and
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