



WHAT'S ON AT THE BHY *Members Newsletter*



Highlights



WHAT HAVE **BHY** MEMBERS BEEN UP TO SINCE LAST HALF TERM?

We aim to provide **endless** opportunities for our young people, and since we reopened after Christmas, our members have had a **JAM PACKED** journey! Let's take a look at just some of what they have been up to...

MAYORS PARLOUR

LIVE LAMBING

PATHWAY PROGRAMME

Our Pathway Programme members have been actively engaged in various different activities since our reopening at the end of January. They reflected on their achievements from the previous year, celebrated Burns Night, focused on healthy eating, visited the Mayors Parlour, and most recently participated in a live lambing event at a local farm.



UNIVERSAL PROGRAMME

During our Universal Sessions, our members received first aid training delivered by the Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service - they really showed their commitment to safety and well-being. Additionally, they tested their bakings skills and also celebrated World Book Day by writing creative endings to their favourite books. It's great to see our members expanding their knowledge and skills through all our different activities.

FIRST AID TRAINING

WORLD BOOK DAY



DIRECT ENGAGEMENT

Our Senior and Senior Plus members planned their own canal boat residential experience, showcasing their leadership and organisation skills. Their involvement in route planning, menu choices, budgeting, and daily tasks allocation highlights their dedication and teamwork. The residential trip was a success! For more detail about their experience, you can visit our [website](#).

CANAL BOATING

BHY EXPLORERS



In March, our BHY Explorers began by exploring four different woodland areas, fostering a sense of adventure and exploration.

COMING UP...

EMPOWHER

EmpowHER is BACK!

We kick-started our project off on Friday 8th March (International Women's Day - how fitting?) with a trip to the Theatre to watch Legally Blonde the musical.

Our EmpowHER sessions will be delivered every **Wednesday night** at Bloomfield Youth Centre, **6pm-7:30pm**. Come down and join us!

SATURDAY NIGHT DISCO



On Saturday **24th** and **30th March** the Young Leaders of Grange Park and Bloomfield Youth Centres have planned and will deliver their very own Saturday Night Disco.

They will run a tuck shop, play karaoke, have a DJ and have planned lots of different games for our members. Come along, you don't have to be a member!

DUKE OF EDINBURGH - SILVER AWARD

Our **Silver** DofE group continue their journey!

We have now moved onto the Expedition section of the award after completion of the Skills section. The group will now participate in a number of training sessions including Navigation Skills, Outdoor Cooking Skills, First Aid & Route Planning - which will enable them to complete a practice expedition and qualifying expedition out in the Lake District.

The Expedition section involves planning, training for and completing an unaccompanied, self-reliant expedition with an agreed team goal. They'll even be sleeping under the stars in hammocks!

We're really looking forward to watching our young people complete this section.



EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS

Our Holiday Clubs are open to **all** young people residing in Blackpool on Free School Meals, and they **do not** need to be a pupil at any of the Holiday Club schools to join in on the fun!

Team BHY have been working super hard to ensure that Easter half-term will be one to remember...

We have **SO** many activities planned at **FIVE** local schools between **1st - 4th April**.

We'll be located at **Christ The King Catholic Academy, Thames Primary Academy, Blackpool Gateway Academy, Boundary Primary School, Layton Primary School** and our **Pathway Sessions** will run from **Grange Park Youth Centre**.

A fully-funded lunch is provided!

SIGN UP



YOUNG LEADER PODCAST

Check out our Young Leaders podcast on **PodBean!**

Episode 6 shows our Young Leaders chat about the EmpowHer project, which focuses on topics such as body image, feeling safe, periods and puberty, amongst other important issues that today's young women may face.

Just head to the **app store** to download the app.



SAPLINGS!



Our Pathway Provision works to build confidence and self-esteem through focused group work sessions, as well as supporting young people with additional needs.

We are **SUPER** excited to announce that we are extending our Pathway Sessions on a Saturday, and alongside our Oaks and Mighty Oaks sessions, we now have a **BRAND NEW** session for infants called **Saplings!**

It runs from **9am to 10:45am** and our members have access to a fully funded breakfast!

BECOME A *Sign up!* BHY MEMBER

Join Blackpools **BIGGEST** Youth Club!

Your child can start their journey with Team BHY as early as 5yrs old and stay involved as a young person until their 18th birthday! We've got five different age-groups, so they'll always be with people a similar age!

The best part? There is no waiting list, so your child can join **TODAY!**

Just head to our website thebhy.co.uk and click **join!**

GRANGE PARK CLOSURE

CLOSED

We have some exciting news for **Grange Park Youth Centre!** We are completely renovating the building to create more space and a much warmer environment for our young people. **Your voice matters**, so we would like to invite our parents and young people in for a '**Parents Consultation**' so that we can discuss our plans and what this means for our provision. Join us on **Saturday 30th March at 4pm.**

WE ARE HIRING!

Do you want to be part of a **team** who are **passionate** and highly **skilled** individuals? Look no further!

We have job opportunities ranging from Youth Workers to Centre Managers, to Cooks and Cleaners!

Check out our jobs page now by **clicking here!**

VOLUNTEERING

Becoming a volunteer is one of the most rewarding things you can do.

The benefits are far reaching – for you and our young people.

- ✔ Connect with other people
- ✔ Be more physically active
- ✔ Learn new skills
- ✔ Give to others

We are looking for committed individuals who are willing to develop positive relationships with our participants and help us to keep them safe. You could be a:

- 👤 Youth Worker
- 👤 Support Assistant
- 👤 Minibus Driver

Please contact us on **01253 804 904** or head to thebhy.co.uk/volunteers if you're thinking of becoming a volunteer.

£15K FOR OUR 15TH BIRTHDAY!



Your contribution will make a huge difference in helping us reach our fundraising goal of **£15k** for our **15th birthday** celebration!

Every pound counts, and even a small donation of **£5** can go a long way.

