

Report



Build A Band June 2012

The build a band club was a new six week programme introduced to the Factory Skatepark's youth club. It was busy each week and offered an insight into playing certain instruments, reading music and understanding the importance of rhythm for those young people who attended. Each week the young people focussed on something different to enhance their skills in terms of musical ability and personal and social development skills.

To enhance the music knowledge of the group, two local Dundee musicians opted to help the youth workers run this group efficiently and to the best of

their ability in the short time frame. Both individuals brought different skills to the group of young people, one having more knowledge in music teaching and guitar and the other with drums and keyboard. This was fantastic as the individuals had different perspectives and could work with particular young people who wanted to learn to play instruments of their choice. The options were keyboard, guitar and drums.

The young peoples progress and did signify the success of the group as did the smiles on the young people's faces when they learned small but effective music

knowledge or songs to play on their chosen instrument. I definitely feel as though this group was a great success with the help from the two musicians. Parents commented on the progress of children in relation to confidence and ability to engage better with others and I believe the barriers some young people face in life can really be challenged at the clubs the youth group offers. The club has therefore definitely been fun, loud and successful

