

Report



Circus Skills June 2013

The Circus Skill's Club was challenging at time with a good number of the young people having not been to a circus. However it was a really fun club which allowed the kids the opportunity to be expressive, artistic, and imaginative. Throughout the sessions we taught the kids to juggle, we painted their faces. We also spoke about what happens at the circus and what a circus is and loads more. During the first couple of sessions we informed the young people about what a circus is, what goes on inside a circus, the kinds of animals they have etc. This was then followed up by an arts and crafts circus theme, where we got the kids to draw a circus themed picture. We then taught the kids about circus

activities, such as juggling, balancing, throwing and catching etc, which was good as it meant that the youth workers got to be involved and learn how to do these things too.

An outing to the nearby ABC Park, allowed the kids to part take in more practical side to circus skills, as they preformed tricks on the trampoline, climbing frame and swings. It also allowed them to improve their interpersonal skills as each child seemed to gravitate to a different apparatus. This gave some kids the confidence to try new tricks as they saw their friends in a different light. Another new skill that was developed by the kids was the old fashioned skipping. The boys seemed really interested and

were eager to show off their sills. The ideas that two or more people could jump at the same time was a great cause of excitement.

