

Report



Treasure Hunt May 2013

The Treasure Hunt club as it was entitled took a different approach than we had originally intended. This was because of the support of Nicky from Dicty Burn project. Nicky's proposal of an activity that the kids may enjoy was "mini people photoshoot". This was characterised by using miniature models placing them in unique scenarios, take pictures, then let the art speak for itself. This was a unique project for the young people to undertake, which they took to straight away then becoming more and more creative. Our main outcomes for this club were achieved. Nicky interacts really well with kids who come to the clubs.

This club took a format of creating the frames/ backdrops for our modelling figures, painting them, and then taking them out to surrounding areas to photograph. The frames were crafted from modelling dough. This was a technical fun and creative activity for the kids. It was technical as they had to think in reverse, if they wanted to inscribe or add details it had to be done backwards so it would come out the correct way when the mould was cast. This was a point that was lost to a few of them, but once it was explained was no longer a problem.

The moulding of the modelling clay was time consuming and intense work, as it had to be warmed by touch. The young people used this time to try out different ideas.

Once the mould were made and painted the group brought them to the nearby wooded area. This brought the kids to an outdoor area. Their interpersonal skills are always raised as they seem to lose any shyness once they can run and play the usual pairing of friends get's dispersed as they run in every direction.

All the young people learned new skills such as modelling, how to arrange contours, model to scale, how to arrange their back ground and they also developed back ground stories for their characters and plots.

Overall the club was a success as the main aims and objectives that we aim to cover were met and in some cases exceeded. The kids showed enthusiasm and creativity throughout, they were always eager to take part and learn from new experiences.

