



## GRAFFITI CLUB OCTOBER 2014

For the past 4 weeks we have been running Graffiti Workshop. Every year this club is extremely popular and this year was no different with maximum attendance each week.

The aims of this club were:

Young people will learn about an area of art and design that they have not explored before.

Young people will have a chance to experience doing Graffiti right through the process of coming up with ideas, refining them into a design on paper, planning how to do this with spray paint and then executing it.

Young people will all contribute to a final piece of graffiti with each young person spray painting their part in it.

For the four weeks of this club Cameron came down to teach the young people about the art of Graffiti. He has experience as a Graffiti Artist, in the first two weeks he was able to help the young people convert their ideas into workable designs and then to show them how to handle the spray paint and use it effectively.

It was very good to see everyone from the club get involved in what we were doing. Every young person by the end of the second week had worked through ideas and refined them into a final design that they wanted to spray onto the boards.

It was fantastic to see them be creative and free, bringing their imaginative plans to the table and working at them until they were happy with what they had. Every young person took part in weeks 3 and 4 spraying on the boards. They not only had their own part of the boards that they had sprayed by themselves but also the group board looked great.

We used the word "Respect" as an outline and each young person had a specific area inside the word that they sprayed their design on. The result was a truly collaborative piece of art and one the young people were extremely proud of.

Due to the changes to the Skatepark Arena we are not planning to run this club next year. However, if there is a chance to run the Graffiti Workshop again in the future I believe we should as it is a good club for the young people to explore their creative sides and take

control of creating something themselves.

