

BENEFITS OF PLAY

“Curriculum for Excellence aims to achieve a transformation in education in Scotland by providing a coherent, more flexible and enriched curriculum from ages 3 to 18. Free play has the potential to contribute powerfully and positively to some of the most significant areas of life in schools, nurseries, early years and children. Curriculum for Excellence promotes playful learner-led approaches in the classroom and outdoors”.

“Planning for play requires a comprehensive approach with collaborations across sectors and policy areas.”

(Play Strategy for Scotland, 2016)



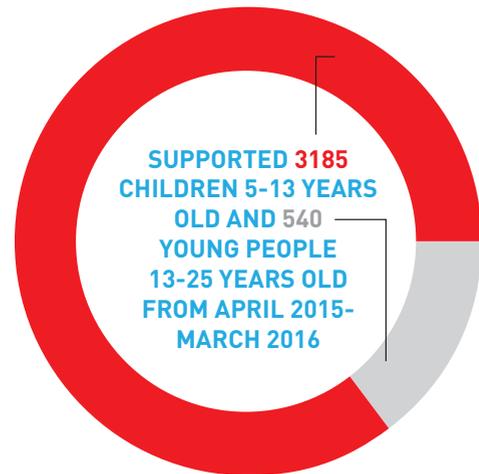
BENEFITS OF CREATIVITY

“The expressive arts are rich and stimulating, with the capacity to engage and fascinate learners of all ages, interest and levels of skills and achievement.” (Time to Shine Scotland’s Youth Arts Strategy 2016)

“A recent study by Strathclyde University clarifies our understanding that the attainment gap between children from the lowest and those from the highest income households increases as the years progress and can be up to 50% by age 13. Research has shown that involvement in the arts and creative activities can support children with learning by providing them with the skills to think creatively, problem-solve, improve memory and focus amongst many others”.



PEEK Services for Schools



PEEK IS ACTIVE IN 26 SCHOOLS ACROSS GLASGOW. 16 PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND 10 SECONDARY SCHOOLS



43 YOUNG VOLUNTEERS ACROSS 9 SCHOOLS AND 26 YOUNG VOLUNTEERS IN COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY



PEEK

POSSIBILITIES FOR EACH AND EVERY KID

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“We have worked in partnership with PEEK for many years – working together to improve the life chances of children and young people initially in Glasgow’s East End but that great work is being extended across the city for all to benefit.”

Maureen McKenna, Executive Director of Education,
Glasgow City Council





PEEK MISSION STATEMENT

“Improving the life chance of children and young people by unlocking their potential and journeying alongside them as they play, create and thrive.”



KEY EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES AT THE HEART OF PEEK ACTIVITIES

- Respond to the pupil voice by allowing children to choose play/creative activities which best suit their needs and interests
- Create a safe developmental environment
- Promote an inclusive community
- Promote positive behaviour
- Personalise a range of activities offered to meet the needs and interests of children.
- Raise aspirations
- Develop Skills for Learning, Life and Work
- Contribute to the Significant Aspects of Learning
- Contribute to the wider achievement of young people
- Provide leadership qualifications through volunteering and training

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- Willingness to try new things and take on new challenges
- Higher aspirations
- A connection to their communities
- Better relationships with family and friends
- Greater likelihood of gaining entry to employment, education or training
- Improved well-being and physical health
- A sense of Wider Achievement & attainment
- Positive role models
- Broader horizons
- A feeling of value & they take ownership
- Increased confidence
- A sense of achievement by taking risks and being challenged
- Creative thinking
- Leadership

WHAT WE DO AND WHO WE ARE

Possibilities for Each and Every Kid (PEEK Children’s Charity) was established in 2000 to support children and young people in Glasgow by raising their hopes and aspirations, achieve goals and work towards increasing their expectations for life. Through play, creative learning and volunteering, children and young people are offered opportunities to discover and develop skills, increase confidence and self-esteem and improve their physical health as they play, create and thrive.

Glasgow City Council has always upheld the importance of active play in learning and child development:



“I am passionate about doing all that we can to improve the life chances of each and every one of Glasgow’s children.”

Maureen McKenna, Executive Director of Education, Glasgow City Council



“By joining forces we are witnessing the real impact that PEEK is having on our communities and young people.”

“PEEK offer a wide and varied range of opportunities free to our young people including volunteering, play, creative arts. I am very proud of the ethos and commitment amongst their staff to developing young people, communities and providing opportunities for all. The research about play having a positive impact on raising attainment is very encouraging and active play will be firmly embedded in Glasgow’s Improvement Challenge over the next few years. “The Glasgow Active Play programme is about early intervention – changing the mind-sets of parents and children early leads to greater physical activity later in life, going outdoors more and leading a healthier life – all through play. Anyone can play!”

HOW PEEK CAN HELP YOUR SCHOOL

A Journey to Excellence with PEEK

PEEK is able to deliver a range of play and creative opportunities which can meet the needs of children and young people whilst developing them as learners and improving their lives. At the same time we can also work with staff through volunteering and training opportunities to develop their capacity in providing a range of positive play and creative experiences. All of our services are designed to the needs of children, young people, school staff and young leaders. PEEK holds the relevant Public Liability Insurance, the ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System registration for the delivery of education and learning support services for children and young people and all staff are PVG checked.

PEEK SERVICES

STAFF AND VOLUNTEER TRAINING PEEK delivers a practical training course tailored to school staff or pupil leaders. Training will provide individuals with skills, ideas and experience in leading play and creative activities in curricular, extra curricular and playground time.

ACTIVE PLAY Aims to develop the physical literacy of children through play in a community and school setting. Physical games and activities help the development of fundamental movement skills and build a strong foundation for future participation in physical activity along with the associated mental, physical and social benefits.

ARTS AWARD A nationally recognised qualification which supports young people to develop into artist’s and art leaders. PEEK encourages children to gain their Award through creative, technical and supportive roles.

PLAY Sessions are delivered before and after curricular time. Through, breakfast club support, playtime and lunch time support. During these play sessions, Play Rangers support learner led play activities which encourage greater levels of creative and physical activity and positive interaction with peers.

BE... PROJECT Creatively explores emotional health and well-being and was initially developed in partnership with the NHS local health Improvement Team. Young people develop a performance or artwork in response to their learning to promote positive mental health. They share their work at an event which they will organise and lead – whilst gaining accreditation through an Arts Award.

SMILE, YOU’RE BEAUTIFUL This award winning project was designed by young people. Groups develop their own artistic project to engage their peers in positive discussion exploring gender stereotyping, body image and sexualisation in the media. Young people will be encouraged and supported to gain accreditation through an Arts Award.

EMERGING LEADERS is an innovative and exciting project which works with young people to develop leadership skills, build confidence and prepare for a world beyond school whilst gaining accredited awards such as the Dynamic Youth Award or Youth Achievement Award. Over a 10-12 week period, pupils will work with PEEK through a variety of workshops which are entirely flexible and can be tailored to meet the needs of each school and group.’