



Teen Talk

Autumn 2024

Funding News



LINK was chosen as one of the beneficiaries of the proceeds raised at the Fife Council Young Apprentice of the Year Awards. Two charities that work with children and young people are selected each year to receive the monies raised on the night. Kingdom Maintenance generously matched the funds. We are delighted to accept the donation of £3,524.57.

- Monies raised at The St Andrews Ball is shared with charities in and around North-East Fife. This year, LINK received £1,000. Thank you for your continued support.

Social Events



Our annual summer event at Craigtoun was a great success with 30 people attending. The letter hunt proved popular, inspiring some friendly competition. Everyone had the opportunity to have a go on the activities in the park and we also had our creative station set up and a pinata. We received generous donations from Tesco, Fisher and Donaldson, The Ceres Inn, Penman Butchers, Barnsmuir Farm and Leuchars Butcher.

"R thought Craigtoun was 'brilliant!'. Well done for making him feel most welcome and very much a part of the group. For my part, I thought it was brilliant too"

Volunteer's Week

Volunteer's Week was celebrated 1st-7th June where we recognised and thanked volunteers for their invaluable time and commitment to befriending. **THANK YOU!** to all of our wonderful volunteers. We couldn't do it without you.



Volunteer Farewell



Good luck and goodbye to Cerys who has been an outstanding befriendee. All the best for your studies in Aberdeen.

Well done on achieving your 50 hours Saltire Certificate.

Volunteer Recruitment

*Welcome to Team LINK - **Angela, Mia and Rivers** who trained in July.*

Maria and Jane will both be training new volunteers soon. Spreading the word via current befriendees and social media posts have had heartening results. As recruitment has been tough.

Do get in touch if you, or someone you know, are interested in volunteering at LINK.

Volunteer Achievements

Congratulations on achieving your Saltire Certificates: Keiran 25, Claudia 25, Bronwyn 50 Saltire, Alfie 200 Saltire; and LINK Certificates: Gyasiwa 50, Ron 100, Peter 100, Lucy 150, Kathryn 450 and Dysart 1500 hours!



Spotlight on Befriending

Steve and Kenzie were out and about again (with their very chilled furry friend along for the ride). This time exploring Loch Leven by Canoe. We do love seeing what you all get up to so keep sending us your photos. Speak to Maria or Jane to check if your befriendee has the photo permissions in place.

Free Training Courses

- Fife Council e-learning training, [All courses | Fife Council Partner Organisations VLE \(learningnexus.co.uk\)](#) LINK volunteers complete Child Protection; Trauma; Self Harm & Suicide- Supporting Young People as part of their induction training.
- [Health Promotion Training Programme 2024-2025](#)
- Fife Violence Against Women Partnership (FVAWP) [Training Programme April - September 2024](#)

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