

INSPIRE NEWS REEL

WINTER 2025 ISSUE



Happy New Year to you all, and we hope you all had a peaceful Christmas. I know the week before Christmas was just party time here with lots of food and games, but we've been doing plenty of other things in the weeks before, and after. Our amazing learners took part in the annual tree festival in St Marys church in West Bank. This year, our theme for our tree was 'The Gateway Express'. Each of our learners designed a pair of pyjamas which were cut out and put on the tree. They then coloured in some trains and carriages to go around the tree in place of tinsel. The event took place on December 6th, and we had a stall in the church and tombola. Thank you to those of you who were able to make it that day.



We have been doing a lot of sessions with our learners over the weeks. We have had team building group sessions, with them having to build a bridge out of the giant Meccano that could carry toy cars, maths sessions where they learnt about number lines, and money and budgeting skills. Some of our learners done a session called 'All about me' and drew how they seen themselves. We have got so many more sessions for them to take part in.



These past few weeks, our learners have all been busy working on a new project with a local artist. More to come in the spring edition.

At present, our learners are all working hard on their own individual projects and/or their Gateway awards. We have a lot of upcycling going on, miniature Hollywood sign and hills, multiple mosaics, football stadiums made from wood and Hama beads, miniature football shop, letterbox, table, and a letter holder to name a few. Also, we have had lots of maths and English sessions.

Below is a short statement from one of our learners,

"I like coming to Gateway because I learn new skills, meet new friends and get away from everything else"Kayleigh.

CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for a variety of different items to help us with ongoing and future projects. If anyone has any of the following that they are no longer using, we would be very grateful of the donation.

- Garden gnomes in need of a new home
 - Soil
 - Weed liner
- Small garden ornaments that are no longer needed
 - Small garden tools
 - Pop up greenhouse
 - Prizes for the tombola
 - Embroidery cottons
 - Lego/small blocks

Would you love to be in with a chance to win some money, while also giving to a good cause? Why not join our 50/50 prize draw. This takes place monthly and is only £5. Half of the monthly pot goes to our winner, and the other half goes straight to Gateway Community for resources. If you are interested, speak to any member of staff or call 0151 4220111.

Can we give a huge thankyou to a wonderful lady called Olivia, who has donated a lot of resources to Gateway.



A huge thankyou for all your continued help and support with Gateway.

Winter word search

Z E C S E S S I O N
C P X H P C W N R D
P H R P U R Q E N E
A H R O R R I R A C
R I Q I J E C Z M E
T H F U S E S H E M
Y D L S R T C S N B
T R A I N R M T T E
M T O M B O L A S R
P Y J A M A S K S H

Christmas
Express
Tombola
Party

Projects
Ornaments
Session

December
Pyjamas
Church

Train
Prize