



Know Your Neighbourhood Jolly Good Communities

Pirates spotted on the Trail

Jolly Good Communities bring together people and community groups by planning and organising community events which is great for the communities but also for the groups themselves as we help build up their confidence and employability skills. The funding from Know Your Neighbourhood/TPT gave us a chance to put on a Pirate Trail that took locals from a path to Monk Bretton Priory and onto the Trail. Those taking part had to find and solve clues that lead them to Monk Bretton Priory where they could enjoy their picnic and take part in more fun activities.

At lunchtime we also gave them our secret code for...yes, you've guessed it... our hidden treasure!

The event was formatted in a way that the families could walk or cycle and still take part in solving the clues along the way.

We had 70 families taking part which was just brilliant! There's no way we could have done anything on this scale without the funding we've had. Everyone really enjoyed getting in the outdoors, solving the riddles and challenges and being able to meet our very own pirates. The parents were really grateful for having a fun, free event that the children could take part in outside.

"I loved dressing up and digging for treasure!"

"We liked the activities like sinking the ship, counting the pictures and walking the plank."

"Thank you for putting this on, will there be anymore?"

"We've never been on the trail before, so it was great to use it."

It's such a pleasure for us to be able to work with our great team of volunteers who just love organising events and activities like this. This funding allowed us to reach new families who have never joined us before, so it's a win, win for us.

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Aim of the Organisation:

Jolly Good Communities bring together people and community groups from a variety of ages and backgrounds to plan and organise community events. The aim is not only to put on amazing events that bring people together locally but to work and support the volunteers behind the scenes. Developing their confidence, raising aspirations and employability skills through various training and opportunities. Their volunteers are encouraged to consult with the people living locally to see what things they'd like to see happening that will enhance community cohesion, reduce social isolation, and improve togetherness. While consulting they recruit more volunteers which helps local villages to form a community identity, the people feel empowered and take ownership to make change and continue the work with their support where needed.

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