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EMILY STARTS NEW PROJECT

Project Coordinator Emily Snowball started delivering the new PCC challenge. The Commissioners challenge project has been designed by young people for young people to support pupils aged 9-11yrs they are equipped with knowledge they need to make safe choices both now and in the future. The scheme is split into 3 key themes Keeping our family , friends and neighbours safe: keeping our streets safe: and keeping ourselves safe. It engages youngsters in activities such as litter picking, safe road practises and property marking. The pupils earn themselves badges as they work the brochure. In her first 6 weeks Emily has delivered to 39 schools and 1251 young people.

POLICE CADETS RESUME AFER SUMMER BREAK

Following a succesful summer residential in Middleton in Teesdale and a positive recruitment campaign, 37 new cadets joined the annual programme mid September. The cadets have been learning drill, team building exercises, fitness testing, learning about roles , ranks and structures of Durham Police and carried out 2 leaflet drops in Brandon. The scheme now boasts 106 cadets in 4 units north and south with 20 volunteer leaders.



MINI POLICE. BEGIN OPERATION TRAIL BLAZER



Durham Police and Crime Commissioner Joy Allen has funded DAAC to deliver ASB awareness workshops to primary schools in Co Durham and Darlington starting September 2023.

Primary schools will be targeted using data from the Home Office with areas of higher reports of ASB. DAAC will deliver bespoke education workshops to th 10-11year olds, highlighting the effects ASB has on individuals and communities. The project is very unique as it uses a peer to peer approach using apprentice ice youth workers to deliver the sessions. So far 18 schools have received the programme engaging with 459 students directly.





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MARIE WINS AWARD

FREE project worker Marie Warby has won the Lord Ferrer Award in the volunteering partnership category. The event held in London recognises volunteering with police services nationally. Marie who supports the FREE project was recognised for her volunteering work with female ex offenders group over the last 2 years and is thoroughly deserved.

Well done Marie !!!!



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OUTDOOR BASED PROJECTS

This September we started the annual programme with 5 school groups with a total of 53 young people. This first half term we have concentrated on team building exercises, setting expectations and behaviour standards. We have covered water safety with input from the RNLI, visited Spennymoor custody suite and enjoyed the fire pit and pumpkin carving.



POP AWARDS

DAAC's 'U choose' project incorporating the mini police project delivering education workshops highlighting the dangers of organised crime groups was shortlisted in the Durham Police problem solving annual awards

The event held at the Durham Centre Belmont saw the top ten finalists present their respective projects to an audience of over 300 people, who voted on the winner. Unfortunately on this occasion DAAC did not win, but was highly praised for the good work.