

Trusts and Grants – Summer Newsletter

It has been a particularly busy spring in terms of Trusts and Grants activity in support of various projects across Care, Education and Therapy. We are looking to continue to secure grants against the following projects:



Seamab Youth Club

We are very grateful to the National Lottery Community Fund – Awards for All Scotland for their generous grant of £9,999 towards the purchase and construction costs of our new youth club on the Care Campus. This grant will also allow us to buy some resources for the children that can be used while attending the Youth Club.

Epic Adventures

We have been working hard to secure grants in support of our Epic Adventures with some success thus far during the Spring school term. We have had grants from the following Trusts in support of this vital area of our work which we engage in over and above our core care and education activity:

- New Park Educational Trust: £2,000
- Jimmi Cairncross Charitable Trust: £2,000
- The Russell Trust: £1,000
- W A Cargill Charitable Trust: £1,000
- Ireland Roddan Trust: £500
- Sinclair Family Trust: £200



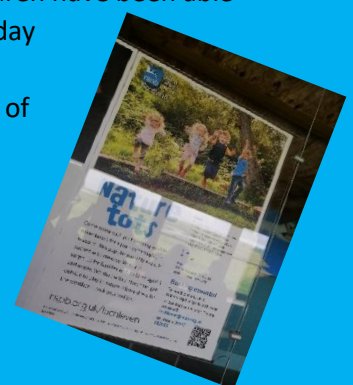
Theraplay Resources



The Stephens Bakery Foundation very kindly awarded Seamab a grant of £500 which has allowed us to purchase much needed resources that our Senior Therapy Practitioner can use when working one to one with our children. Our children have been using these new resources to aid with their recovery from trauma.

RSPB Vane Farm

Thanks to the generosity of the Robin and Eirwen Bell Charitable Trust, our children have been able to attend an educational visit to the RSPB nature reserve at Vane Farm on Monday 27th June 2022. Mr Robin Bell from the Trust also came and visited Seamab and was warmly welcomed by Stuart Provan, Chief Executive and Linda Burke, Head of Education and following on from this, was shown round the Care and Education campuses by Derek Kirkaldy, our Grants Manager. Robin was very impressed with the work that we are engaged in and is keen to work with the charity more closely as the relationship with the Trust develops



Seamab Football Club

This is an exciting project that has been developed by two of our children working in collaboration with our Grants Manager. It has long been the case that the children haven't had a significant space whereby they can play football. To meet this need, we are currently fundraising to purchase an all weather playing surface along with football kit for all the children to enable us to launch Seamab FC. We have been fortunate in receiving a grant for £2,000 as a contribution to this project by the Miss M E Swinton Paterson's Charitable Trust, which we are extremely grateful for.

Dollar Academy – Year 1 Youth and Philanthropy Initiative (YPI)

Back in April 2022, we were contacted by Millie Cassels, Tilly Cook and Bianca Re, all pupils in Year 1 of Dollar Academy who had chosen to adopt Seamab as their chosen charity to present about as part of the YPI initiative. After 2 qualifying rounds, the girls were successful in securing a place in the final which took place on Monday 20th June 2022. Much to our delight, Millie, Tilly and Bianca won the competition and as a result of this, Seamab will be awarded a grant of £3,000 from the Wood Foundation which will be used to purchase mountain bikes for our Epic Adventures programme. We hope that this is an opportunity to work more closely with Dollar Academy in the future.



Ongoing Projects

We have just completed a sensory audit across Care and Education and developed a £50,000 project to allow us to implement the changes that need to be made to ensure that each and every one of our children's sensory needs are met.

A case for support has been developed to allow us to fundraise to meet the additional costs needed to deliver new classroom space for the up to 18 project which is due to commence later in 2022.

In support of our curriculum in school, we have applied for a grant of £2,800 from Education Scotland through their Food for Thought Programme and for a £500 Nature Grant through the People's Postcode Lottery to help us provide education covering horticulture and the environment respectively.