

Alternative Provision Build a Bike project at



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The Bike Shed @ Critchill School provides vulnerable and disengaged students with the opportunity to learn new skills, develop self-confidence and gain a sense of achievement, as well as begin to build work-related skills such as team-working and problem solving.

Bicycle maintenance is the primary focus of the provision but students can also learn about healthy living, nutrition for exercise, planning cycle routes and preparing for different weather conditions, cycling proficiency and health and safety in the workplace.

Students are able to keep the fully refurbished and safety checked bike they have worked on, at the end of the term if the agreed contract has been fulfilled.

The provision may also enable students to progress to other forms of training and work experience opportunities available through the Julian House Bike Workshops.

The provision is available once a week, for 6 weeks during term time, for up to 4 students.

Two members of staff from Critchill School teach and supervise students at all times.

Referral Criteria

The project is specifically aimed at young people from Year 4 to Year 11. Schools can register their interest in a pupil joining a course by completing a 'Referral form'.

The form should clearly outline a school's priorities for referral and the intended outcomes for the individual pupil.

Referrals will then be considered by the leader of the project, George Dobson

Contract Agreements

Each new course begins with pupils meeting with the staff who lead and oversee the cycle workshop project. A contract agreement is shared with the individual pupil outlining expectations of the course including behaviour, attendance and the course coverage.

We see this as a valuable opportunity to ensure the success of the course and the success of proposed outcomes for each individual.

Course Structure

Schools are responsible for ensuring that their students arrive at Critchill and are collected at the end of each day.

9.30am Arrive at Critchill School

9.45am Session 1

11.00am Break (Drinks and a snack provided)

11.15am Session 2

12.30pm Lunch (Not provided - students to bring a packed lunch)

1.00pm Session 3 (including review of day)

2.30pm End of Workshop day

The Bike workshop staff will provide an email report for each student at regular intervals, sharing successes and suggesting next steps for the following weeks sessions.

Fees

Attendance fees for Frome Learning Partnership students are currently funded from FLP Behaviour and Vulnerability funds.

However, schools not associated with FLP are welcome to refer students to the project and the leaders will be able to run a course. (Students will need to be compatible and staff available in this instance.)

The cost will be £90 per student per day

About Critchill School

Critchill School provides education for 80 pupils with a wide range of abilities. All pupils have an Education, Health and Care Plan. Each pupil's needs are carefully and individually evaluated, so that all pupils can aspire to reach exceptional standards. Critchill School has invested in the development of improved learning spaces and specialist resource areas, enabling all children to develop a full range of academic, functional and independent skills.

Contact Information

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Bikes stripped down...



...... and rebuilt!





