





# SUMMER STAYCATION 2020

Mallard Primary School

**Camp Report** 







#### **THANK YOU**



A sincere thank you from all of our team for making this summer one to remember for all the right reasons. Seeing children improving their physical, mental and social skills, but above all seeing them smile again. I will never forget one mum saying 'thank you for giving me my son back'. We have all had a part to play in this from Doncaster Council, the host schools, parents and carers, our team of staff, volunteers and apprentices but most of all, the children.

Lindsy James, Director

### PROJECT SUMMARY

#### What was Summer Staycation?

The Doncaster Summer Staycation was a Doncaster Council project which saw local organisations deliver FREE activities and sessions, both virtually and face-to-face, for children during the summer holidays.

The project saw Active Fusion deliver summer camps, which were spread across seven different locations in Doncaster, throughout the summer holidays.

Our Summer Sports Camps, which saw 446 children attend, included a variety of sports and physical activity sessions for children to take part in throughout the week.

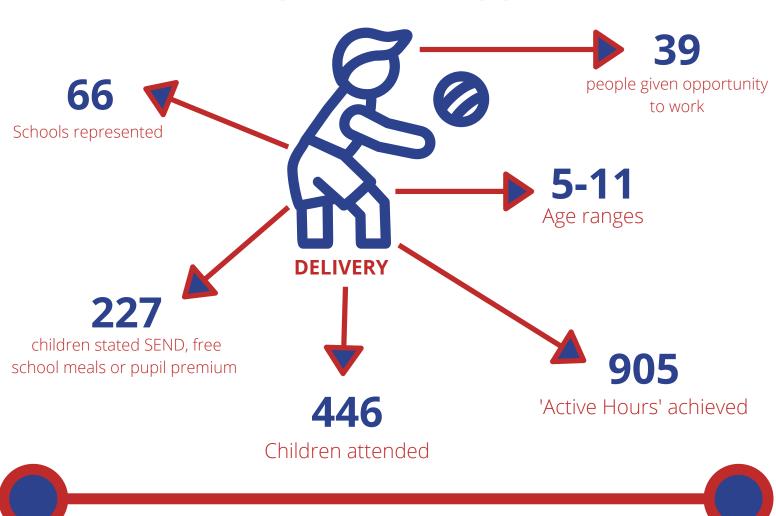
Children were also able to access learning resources and ideas for keeping active at home such as our PE Parent pack.

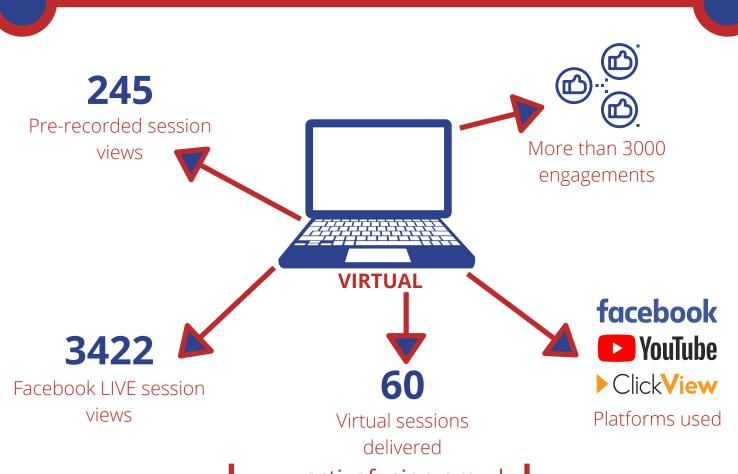


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#### **SUMMER STAYCATION**

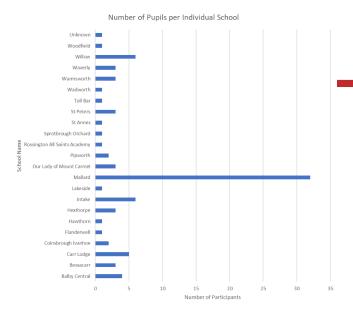
What was achieved this summer?





## FIGURES FROM MALLARD CAMP

What was achieved at Mallard?

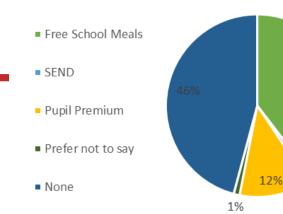


22

different schools represented

Summary of Participants Disadvantage Status

48% — stated disadvantaged status



112.5

hours of physical activity

**150** 

1%

sessions delivered



83%

**85** different childrer

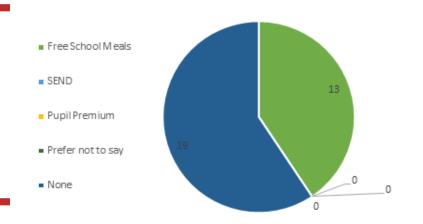
attendance different children

#### **IMPACT ON YOUR PUPILS**

#### The Mallard Effect

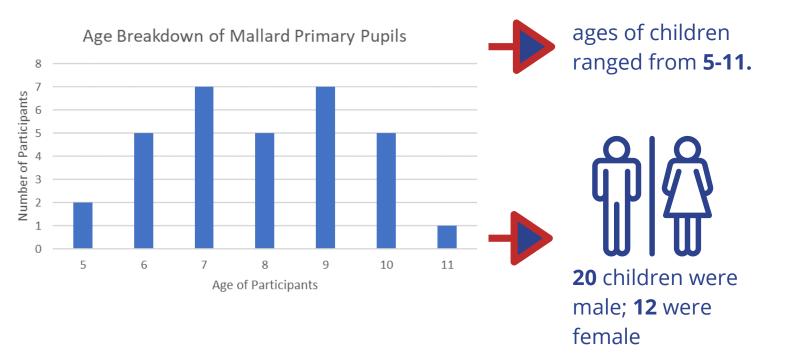
**32** of the **85** children who attended go to Mallard Primary School.

Mallard Primary Pupils Disadvantage Status



**13** of the **32** children stated at least one disadvantage status.





#### PARENT FEEDBACK

#### What it meant to your pupil's parents

96%

of parents said that the coaches met the needs of their children

98%

children enjoyed their time on camp

84%

93%

of parents said that

camps made their

children more active

of parents said their children enjoyed socialising with other children

96%

of parents said their child's mental health was improved

"This is the first time my child has attended camp and he has loved it by being active, trying new things and meeting new children. The staff have been excellent and social distancing has been adhered to. I would highly recommend to any families."

> "My two boys initially were a little apprehensive about going to camp on the first day but came home telling us how much of a great time they'd had and they couldn't wait to go back the next day. The staff were great, so friendly and welcoming."

"I think it's a brilliant place for all ages keeping them active. It can stop them getting in trouble on the streets and gives them a chance to see what a school is like. My daughter has difficulty balancing and with her coordination but she has gotten so much from this experience and I can't thank the team enough."

> "Our whole family have benefited from our son's participation. It has allowed us to get back a sense of normality that we have missed for the past 5 months. It can't be underestimated just how important this service has been to working parents and for the children who have missed out on socialising with their peers."

#### A JOY SEEING HIM SMILE

#### A grateful parent thankful for camps

What's more precious than a child's smile? Absolutely nothing, according to Louise, a thankful parent from the Mallard Camp. Her son Joshua has spent the majority of summer on camp having been taken out of school in March due to health concerns.

Louise admits her son struggled to adapt to the changes brought about by COVID-19, but since coming to camp he has been able to be himself again.



She said: "Joshua has really enjoyed being at camp. With everybody knowing he has ADHD but being too young to be diagnosed, he hasn't been at school since March. I started to notice changes in his mood, he was becoming moody and depressed.

"Since being at camp, all that has changed. Being on camp meant he had something to look forward to. He knew that when he went to bed on a night, he'd be getting up ready to go to summer camp. It was nice to see.

"Children need to be children again and these camps have allowed them to smile and be happy once again. It's something which focuses on not just what the kids want, but what they need, especially Joshua. It's been a joy seeing him smile again."

#### **SUSTAINABILITY**

#### What next?



Due to the COVID-19, the School Games programme has changed its delivery.

We are offering our support with virtual competitions, daily mile, national incentives and intra-school competitions throughout the academic year.

If you are interested in taking part in any events/competitions or want support in running events, please email your Schools Games Officer Hannah at hannah@activefusion.org.uk

We have loved working in your school and having the opportunity to engage with your pupils this summer and we know they have too!

Why don't we make time for a coffee to discuss ways that we could keep the momentum going!



Be the best you can be

#### **HOSTING A CAMP**

As identified from the parents who completed our feedback questionnaire:

91%

said their children would attend

and

said they would recommend Active Fusion summer camps Active Fusion summer camps

we would like to discuss the possibility of holding future camps at your site.



Please contact stephen@activefusion.org.uk if you would like to be a host site again!





