

# Hunter's Story

Hunter's journey has been a transformative experience, equipping him with essential skills, hands-on coaching opportunities, and the support needed to pursue a successful career.



*“Since starting the apprenticeship programme I have learnt a wide range of skills and knowledge such as children’s development, communication methods and behaviour management strategies.”*

**Hunter Gadd, Level 4 Apprentice at Active Fusion**

Hunter's journey with [Active Fusion](#) has been nothing short of transformative, from discovering his passion during secondary school to actively shaping his career path as a coach and educator. His story is one of growth, support, and opportunity, all leading him toward a bright future in teaching and sports.

## The Spark That Started It All

Hunter's adventure began during his work experience in secondary school when he first came across Active Fusion's [apprenticeship programme](#). This early exposure ignited an interest in coaching and teaching that continued to grow. After completing his Level 2 and Level 3 apprenticeships, Hunter is now embracing the challenge of his Level 4 apprenticeship, continuing to learn and grow in his role.

## A Day in the Life

Hunter's daily routine is anything but boring! His role involves a wide variety of tasks, from providing classroom support to leading physical development sessions and PE lessons. He also organises fun lunchtime activities and afterschool clubs. Each day brings a new opportunity to develop skills, work with children, and learn from experienced mentors, making every moment an exciting step in his career journey.



## Support Every Step of the Way

Throughout his apprenticeship, Hunter has been fortunate to have an incredible support network. His tutors have been key in providing the knowledge, encouragement, and advice needed to guide him toward success.

Alongside them, his mentors have played a vital role in helping him refine his coaching techniques, providing valuable insights and fostering his growth as a confident and capable coach.

## Unlocking Skills and Potential

Hunter's apprenticeship has been a treasure trove of new skills and insights. He's learned the ins and outs of child development, mastering communication techniques and behaviour management strategies that make him a more effective coach. These newfound skills have helped him deliver high-quality sessions and connect with children, ensuring that he is always ready to take on new challenges.

One of the standout aspects of Hunter's apprenticeship has been the opportunity to develop his leadership skills. Active Fusion has given him the chance to take the reins on new initiatives, projects, and coaching sessions. This experience has built his confidence and honed his decision-making abilities, setting him up for success in leadership roles both now and in the future.

## Looking Ahead: Hunter's Dream

Hunter has big plans for the future. In the next few years, he hopes to earn his teaching degree and become a primary school teacher. His experience with Active Fusion has been instrumental in preparing him for this next step, offering him invaluable exposure to the school environment and equipping him with the skills and qualifications necessary to pursue his dreams. Ultimately, he envisions becoming a primary school sports lead, guiding children to success both in and out of the classroom.



**This apprenticeship has provided me with an opportunity to find a job I love and shown me the pathways to develop further.**



## The Power of Real-Life Learning

Hunter believes that apprenticeship programmes like the one at Active Fusion are crucial for young people looking to break into teaching or coaching. These programmes offer much more than classroom learning, they provide real-world experience that helps apprentices build the confidence and skills they need for long-term success. Without opportunities like Active Fusion's, young people would miss out on the chance to develop the hands-on expertise needed to thrive in their careers.



For anyone thinking about joining Active Fusion as an apprentice, Hunter's advice is simple, "Go for it!" He credits the programme with helping him discover a career he truly loves, and he appreciates the strong support system from schools, mentors, and tutors. It's an opportunity to grow, develop, and build a meaningful career in education and sports. Hunter's apprenticeship journey highlights how a supportive and hands-on programme can make all the difference in shaping a young person's career.

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