

# Beat The Grownups

## East Ayrshire Leisure Lifeskills and Inclusion and Library services Easter Programme 2025



### The Aim and Impact of the Easter Programme

- Deliver Beat The Grownups- Adult Literacy and Numeracy Family learning workshop providing an opportunity for Adults and families to engage in fun literacy and numeracy activities to showcase family literacies learning resources and tools through fun everyday games and activities.
- Encouraging adults and their families to engage in Library provisions in their local area offered by East Ayrshire Leisure Trust-Library services.

Following on from the success of the October 2024 Zone into Maths, meetings took place to plan for the Beat The Grownups workshop. The event space held a range of literacy and numeracy based learning activities and challenges for Primary aged children upwards and their parents/families. Children's library contained early primary and ECC literacy and numeracy family learning floor based games.

The workshop was delivered over the Easter school holiday period and an Easter literacy and numeracy scavenger themed hunt was developed to encourage families to access all areas of the Dick Institute Library and museum. Feedback was very positive

from families and children undertaking the Easter challenge riddles to solve the scavenger hunt to find the Golden knitted Easter Egg.

The Adult Literacy and Numeracy "Beat the Grownups" workshop provided fun, creative family learning activities for adults/parents and their families. The workshop aimed to enhance and showcase the services and provisions Libraries and Lifeskills and Inclusion have on offer - specifically Borrowbox, Library services, dedicated adult literacies 1:1 supports and our new Money MOT SQA Customised qualifications.

The workshops provided 1<sup>st</sup> steps to breaking down barriers and stigma with literacy and numeracy skills and an opportunity to enhance lifeskills within a family setting and encouraging literacies learning within the home for all generations. It encouraged families to be creative in their approach to reading, writing and numeracy supports through fun family learning experiences, as well as encourage families to access library facilities and services like BorrowBox.

### **Workshops**

- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- 1 x 2 hours session 10-12noon
- Dick Institute Event Space - Library, children's library, DI Museum and encourage families to access all available areas with the Dick Institute.

Teams involved:

- East Ayrshire Library team- LizAnne Deans and Rosie Milligan- to promote access to reading and learning tools and resources within the EA libraries as well as Dick Institute Museum.
- Lifeskills and Inclusion Adult Literacies team- showcasing opportunities for adult literacies 1:1 supports and qualifications around Money skills- Money MOT.

### **Publicity:**

Posters promoted through:

- VC social media pages
- Shared with Libraries and their marketing team
- Publicity in EAL library
- Shared through all VC teams
- Shared with existing adult learners; groups both external partners and internal networks

### **Impact of Adult Literacies- Beat the Grownups workshops:**

- Adults and families gained ideas and tips on how to embed reading, writing and numeracy learning into activities at home with their child.
- Adults have a better understanding of how to support their own literacies learning.
- Adults/families feel more confident in using literacy and numeracy games as a fun way to build on numeracy learning for themselves and their family.
- Adults given the opportunity to self-refer for core Adult Literacies supports.
- Adults are signposted to relevant supports within EAL.
- Adults have raised awareness of facilities and services available to them and their families within East Ayrshire Leisure Libraries.

**Total engagement:**

- **35 Adults**
- **52 Children**

## Feedback on the benefits from families were:

The benefits for families taking part in the workshop was:

- Learning new and fun ways to improve your own literacies skillset
- Feeling more confident in your numeracy and literacy skills
- Building confidence in your own abilities to support your child/rens' learning

The Benefits for children taking part in the workshop was:

- Improved numeracy and literacy skills and language
- Learning new numeracy and literacy based games
- Continued numeracy and literacy learning at home
- More confident in their basic numeracy and literacy skills
- Engaging in numeracy and literacy games they can play at home with family
- Having fun with numbers and letters

