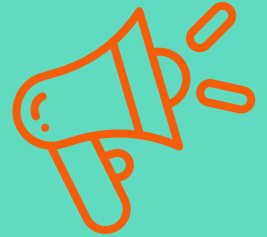


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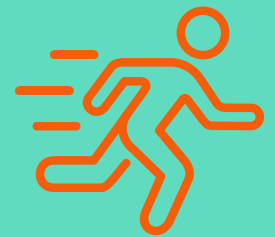
Opening Schools Facilities Fund

This project was aimed at a key group of students that were identified by a police mapping meeting who were at risk of extra-familial harm. Multiple student voice sessions were held with children and they spoke very clearly about how there was nowhere to go on an evening around the area which resulted in them hanging out in areas that they should not.



The Monday Night Youth Club was set up and was entirely student led, with the sport of choice being Glow Sports and Disco Dodgeball. Clear successes are that students are not hanging around getting into trouble when they are attending the Youth Club. The impact of the club has been measured focussing on behaviour and attendance in school. Around 70% of the original cohort are more often attending school and are in lessons.

Students spend their time being physically active and discussing key themes such as resilience and empathy. This project is not just for pupils but is open to the local community with the Youth Club mentor being an alumnus of Kings Oak Academy.



The kids are really buzzing about the club. The project has been a massive success and has given our students a real sense of belonging. When discussing our Youth Club partnership, OFSTED described it as being "Sector Leading" and we are now at capacity for the club.

Sustaining the club will be a challenge, as the school looks for alternative funding routes in order to continue paying the youth worker that who is best placed to run the sessions.

