

Around The World

Dance City and a dedicated bank of creative dance practitioners worked intensively across 8 of the 10 core Cultural Hub schools to encourage a pupil led approach in planning, development and delivery, which are then linked back to school objectives and needs.

Around the World has seen exploration of multiculturalism through dance and storytelling. During celebration activities young people took over the Dance City building to share, make and experience creative products and ideas. Pupils from Bullion Lane Primary School acted as reporters documenting the process and shadowing staff from receptionist to chief executive.

Poetry road show

Seven Stories in partnership with a range of Cultural Hub and non hub schools and libraries developed a programme in response to school, libraries and community setting needs. This programme provided a bridge between school sessions and family learning, with long term sustainability built in.

Religion and culture education resource

Beamish worked in partnership with St John's RCVA Comprehensive School to develop an interactive resource developed for teachers.

Lambdragon Media resource

Baltic in partnership with Durham Gillesgate Sports College and 6th Form Centre provided an opportunity for young people to help develop and direct learning in the gallery and via the Baltic website. An interactive resource was created encouraging new ways for other young people to access contemporary art and culture. <http://www.balticmill.com/lambdragon/>

Suffragettes

Dance City, Beamish and Durham County Records office worked in partnership with pupils from Durham Gillesgate Sports College and 6th Form Centre to learn about the campaign for Women's Suffrage through historical research, drama and dance. The pupils shared this in a very different kind of parade through the streets of Beamish High Street.



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Resource packs

A partnership project between Durham County Record Office, Durham Learning Resources (DLR), St John's Catholic School and Sixth Form Centre, Bishop Auckland and Bullion Lane Primary School, Chester-le-Street to create resource packs covering: Ourselves, Victorian Children, Local Area, Science and Poor Law, these span Key Stages 1 to 5 and are on the following topics:

The packs will include images of documents, lesson plans, teacher's notes and whiteboard activities. Each box will add 'artefacts' and suggested books.

The archives inspired artwork in school, where collaborative pieces of art have been created with professional artists.. Bullion Lane Primary School produced a banner on the theme of local history and St John's School produced a ceramic tile display for the Science Department.

Case studies are included in the packs. These will be made available from September 2008 onwards.

St John's RCVA Comprehensive School, A Technology College allowed Cultural Hub Durham activities to include all year groups across the school in varied ways under the theme of Tolerance and Diversity. This included public art features in the forms of sculpture, seating, murals, tiling, textile banners and much more. A key project within the school in partnership with Seven Stories was the creation of a dual language polish story book, this was facilitated by Rachel Clarke, Twisted Digits, where an animation film was also created.

Bullion Lane Primary School undertook a multicultural project. This project aimed to look in depth at two multicultural areas within traditional folk tales. Year 5 children have been primarily involved working alongside year one students to impart knowledge of their creative skills. A key driver was to involve parent/carers, teachers and cultural organisations throughout. Year 3 has seen Bullion Lane develop from an artist led approach to child led project, where independent thinking, confidence building and management skills are central to its ethos.

Cassop Primary worked with artist Jane Arnfield in long term residence to develop their annual theatre lecture, this year based on China as was the sound installation which was showcased at the celebration day in the Gala Theatre.

St Hilds College C of E Primary School A programme involving partners from both cultural and education sectors contributing to the wider curriculum, especially history and literary. A public art pathway was produced in their newly landscaped garden. This was created from a long term development process with artist, Natalie Frost.



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