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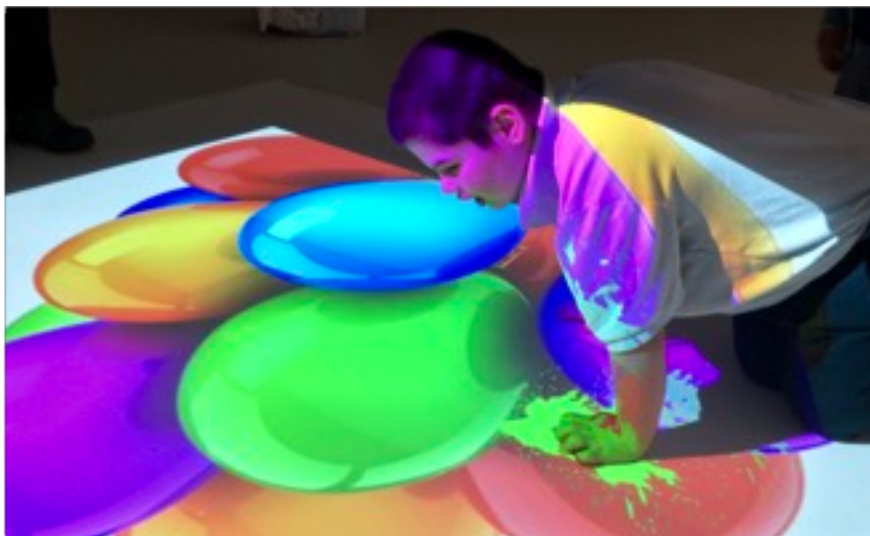
Thanks to the input of our funders, volunteers and partners, Children's World again delivered an even greater variety of highly successful projects and events during financial year 2016/17. Supporting thousands of children with challenging issues, using drama, performance and FUN!

New Workshop Development and Delivery

Space Adventure Development

"The floor is fabulous for PMLD students as it is so bright and immersive and helps them develop communication through experiencing cause-and-effect, you put your hand out and something happens."

This is something that doesn't develop naturally for many of our children and that they instead have to learn, and often also relearn after illness or another setback."



Following the success of our Underwater Sensory Journey Workshop for students with Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties (PMLD), staff have been asking us to produce other themes, for example 'space'.

Thanks to a grant from the Clothworkers' Foundation we have been able to purchase a mobile Interactive Floor Projection System which is particularly useful for encouraging responses (both physical and verbal) from students with PMLD and a valuable asset to our work in this field. After working with students at Fiveways School to see how best to use the new equipment, we are now able to include it alongside our original 'Underwater Journey' workshop and have also devised a new 'Space Adventure' workshop. This will be available for schools from September 2017.

Independence Day

"Those who found it hard to not be the 'captain' reflected afterwards on the need to take responsibility by showing greater resilience. Some liked the opportunity to work with people they wouldn't usually chose to partner up with."

Children's World was approached by St Benedict's School, Glastonbury who required a workshop to encourage their year three students to explore the themes of Independence and Responsibility within school. Children's World has amassed many different activities and games over the years that encourage discussion and exploration around these themes - we adapted our material to best suit the ages and abilities of the groups, to deliver a highly successful and engaging day. The sessions consisted of team-building games, trust activities and discussion.

Getting on in your School Community

Post workshop, Ofsted said:

"A drama workshop about bullying allowed pupils to think how it feels to be in someone else's shoes."



Students said:

"The workshop gave us a clear anti-bullying message and acting it out to the school made everyone 'get it'."

Following on from Children's World's 'Independence Day' at St Benedict's School, we were asked to expand on the workshops and focus further on behaviour and its effects on the school community - providing workshops for years 3 - 6. Over four days different year groups took part in a variety of workshops that looked at the social and emotional aspects of school life. The younger year groups used mask-work to identify and discuss different emotions. The older years took part in a team challenge and our Anti-Bullying Performance and Debate and Anti-Bullying Film-Making workshops.

St Benedict's headteacher and staff were eager to demonstrate to parents how their school promotes positive behaviour and include them in its implementation. To support this, Children's World co-hosted a parents' evening with the school. The evening featured a film of the mask workshops, the Anti-Bullying film and a live presentation by the children of the Anti-Bullying performance. Following the presentation refreshments were provided and the parents were invited to have informal chats with members of staff and share their thoughts about what they had seen.

We will be offering a parents' evening option as part of all our future PSHE/SEAL work.

3 Day in-school Integration Workshop

"All pupils and staff thoroughly enjoyed the workshop. All pupils participated and were engaged and joined in well in following the adult directions."

"Some of the pupils are now more interested in creativity and game participation."

Hollywater Special School contacted Children's Wold to ask us if we were able to adapt our Puppetry and Integration Workshop Week to fit over three days, focussing on bringing children with different abilities together within the one school.

We devised a structure that could fit their needs, and budget. Using their staff as group leaders and pre-deciding their show story, we were able to produce a story around the nursery rhyme 'Old MacDonald' that was presented to an enthusiastic audience.

This scaled down version of our full Integration Workshop Week will now be added to our itinerary of workshops available to schools.

Regular Ongoing Workshops

Anti-Bullying Workshops

"Children were fully engaged throughout the day."

"We use the DVD for anti-bullying day and PSHE discussions."

Our Anti-bullying workshops use a mix of drama and discussion to encourage students to talk about bullying and ways to address the issue positively if encountered. Both workshops start by encouraging the students to clearly define bullying before continuing in different ways:

Our Film-Making workshop encourages the students to create a film that highlights anti-social behaviour. This film is then edited and returned to the school to use as a resource in future anti-bullying work.

Our Performance and debate workshop works with a group on creating a performance piece that highlights bullying issues, which is then performed to their school as a starting point for a discussion.



We delivered 2 Performance and Debate workshops at West Pennard and Wembdon St George Schools and a Film-Making workshop at Bowlish School.

Puppetry & Integration Workshop Weeks

"Spot on - absolutely engaging for our children - they loved it (adults too)."

"Children in year 3 love this workshop. It is the highlight of the year for them. Many write in their report comments that they "love Children's World"."

Based at a host school, students from mainstream Primary and Special Schools are invited to work together to create a large scale puppet performance to be presented to an invited audience. These 5 day projects are special to the charity as it demonstrates very clearly how positive integration can benefit all the participants involved.

This year we delivered 4 workshop weeks:

Baytree School with Westhaven and Herons' Moor Schools

Mendip Green School with Herons' Moor and Baytree Schools

Redbridge High School with Rice Lane Primary School.

Herons' Moor School with Baytree and Mendip Green Schools

These sets of schools have been regularly taking part in this project over the years and use it to further their links with their partner schools.

Underwater Sensory Journey



"Lovely, interactive & engaging - just perfect!"

"The workshop provided lots of ideas for activities to engage learners and these were brought into the classroom. For example, letting children build sandcastles! Staff were enthused and inspired!"

We have been told by staff at special schools that it is very rare for them to be offered workshops specifically tailored for their students with Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties (PMLD), which prompted our creation of this session. During the workshop we use interactive objects, textures, scents, music, video and characters through which the students experience and learn about aspects of the underwater environment.

After our successful debut of this session at Forest Park school last year we have since delivered another 13 sessions at 4 special schools including a return visit to Forest Park. The other schools were: Bettridge School, Selworthy School and Oaklands Schools.

Transition and Induction Days

"Children thoroughly enjoyed the day!"

"...it gave them a better picture of the school. They enjoyed the different activities and meeting other year 6 children from other schools."

This whole day workshop is for students moving from Primary to Secondary education. It is designed to supplement the regular induction work done by schools, and is focused towards the social and emotional aspects of transition. It uses a mix of team games, discussion and meeting older pupils to help dissipate concerns and help the participants address any issues or worries they may have.

We delivered 6 workshops this year at St Dunstan's School, Glastonbury and Crispin School, Street. The students participating were from the feeder Primary Schools to the two Secondary Schools, covering Street, Glastonbury and surrounding villages.

Del's Deliveries

"We booked a workshop called "Del's deliveries" for our topic day when we were looking at careers. Paddy and Charlie were engaging performers that had a good knowledge of children with SLD. The workshop was interactive and enjoyable - the feedback from all staff and students was extremely positive - in fact it was so good we booked them for the following week to run it again with the classes that missed out."

Del's Deliveries are a series of character driven sessions that delivers aspects of the Key Stage 2 curriculum for students Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD). The children join Del each session on his delivery round, using the characters they meet as a method of delivering aspects of the curriculum. These are fun sessions enjoyed by children and staff alike and we have 12 different sessions that can be used to fit with schools requirements.

This year we delivered 6 sessions over 2 days at Icknield School, Andover. We were originally booked for 3 sessions but they rang and booked another 3 after the success of our first visit.

Video Workshops

"The DVD is out of this world, thank you so much."

As part of their end of school year celebrations we were asked by East Brent First School to provide a video workshop to include all their school. As their theme that term was travel we filmed each class miming to the song "Is this the way to Amarillo?" in front of a green screen. In this way we were able to include everyone at the school and edit in suitable backgrounds. Although this is a fun session for all involved, it's also a great way to encourage creativity and teamwork.

Events

Off the Streets 2016

"Well organised and facilitated. A real and valuable resource of activity, learning and fun for the children of this area, an area that lacks tremendous access to arts and activities for young people. Greatly needed and very much commended. Excellent service. Thank-you."

During Off the Streets 2016, children from in and around Glastonbury and their families took part in a huge range of events and activities ranging from parkour to songwriting to science. This year new workshops for the under 8's, with their carers, gave them a chance to meet wildlife, dance and spend a day on the farm among other activities.

It was a fantastic week with nearly every workshop fully booked. We're extremely grateful to Glastonbury Town Council, Somerset Community Foundation, Somerset Crimebeat Trust and Benchmark for their support, without which this week wouldn't have been possible.

Glastonbury Zombie Walk

"...such fun and for a good cause!!!"

Glastonbury Zombie Walk is a fund raising event originally run by the Martha Care charity. After Martha Care closed, it's founder, Maggie Mickshik, offered the event to Children's World and we gratefully accepted.

The Zombie Walk is a popular community event with plenty of local press coverage. This has been a great benefit to our Charity, because most of our work is out of the public eye. Events like this are a fantastic opportunity to raise our public profile and to connect with our local community.

The Zombie Walk encourages people of all ages to dress up as zombies and parade up and down Glastonbury High Street. It is free to take part with collection tins moving through the spectators for donations. This year's walk kicked off with a Zombie Flash Mob performing to "Thriller" and included a prize raffle. It was great fun for all involved and raised over £600 through donations and raffle tickets.

Children's World International

CWI France - 2nd visit

"What an awesome show! So great to have you guys on site today. To see all the kiddies laughing and smiling together and some adults as well was really lovely :) So lovely to meet you all and thank you again for coming and giving all those who enjoyed your shows and entertainment a truly wonderful time. It was lovely to watch!"



Thanks to kind donations from The Anne Harris Children's Fund, Wells Tradingpost, Class 7 students from the Steiner Academy Frome and individual contributors we were able to return to France in September to work again in the refugee camps in Dunkirk and Calais.

The team provided a variety workshops and performances to refugee children, their families and communities over four days. Including visits to the Children's Centre, Community Kitchen and Red Cross Centre in the Dunkirk camp and the Women's and Children's Centre, L'Ecole du Lac and Jungle Books Teenage Refugee Centre in the Jungle Camp at Calais.

In addition, we were also able to deliver another trailer full of items donated to Refugee Action in Somerset East to the distribution warehouse in Calais.

Other activities

Arrivals and Departures

The Board of Trustees welcomed Maggie Mickshik as a new Trustee in November 2016. Maggie has taken on the role of Child Protection Officer for Children's World. Maggie is a Qualified Social Worker and Senior Manager with over 30 years experience within statutory and voluntary Children and Family Services.

Charlie Miller took voluntary redundancy from his role as full time Charity Director at the end of this financial year. The Trustees and his co-Directors thanked him for his long service extraordinary contribution to Children's World over the past 30 years. Charlie will continue to be very much involved in Children's World's work - helping to develop, deliver and support the Charity's projects and events.

Literature Review

This year Children's World undertook an extensive review of our promotional literature. This process was helped enormously by the generous involvement of teachers, the Senior Director for the SEAL Consultancy and a graphic designer, all of whom gave their time and expertise for free.

The new design produced is now being used as a basis for all new leaflets and other materials.



PSHE FOCUSED WORKSHOPS
FOR AGES 9 TO 16

THREE WORKSHOPS ALL MEETING THE PSHE CURRICULUM:

- WORKSHOP 1 'TACKLING BEHAVIOUR'**
Covers: Healthy responses to bullying, exclusion and peer pressure.
- WORKSHOP 2 'DEALING WITH FEELINGS'**
Covers: Identifying, exploring and safely expressing emotions.
- WORKSHOP 3 'BUILDING CONFIDENCE'**
Covers: Creativity, critical thinking, teamwork and self-expression.

OTHER WORKSHOPS WE DELIVER:

- Anti-bullying
- Transition from KS2 to KS3
- Peer Pressure
- Team Building
- Workshops for special educational needs
- Bespoke workshops tailored to your individual requirements

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Financial Projections

The Trustees worked alongside Children's World's Directors to produce four year rolling financial projects that now provide the basis for discussions and strategic decision making. This will help with all our forward planning, including fundraising towards replacing income from Glastonbury Festival in 2018.

Change of Charity Structure

In order to modernise our Charity structure, minimise risk to Trustees and open up trusteeship opportunities to those without large financial resources, such as young trustees, Children's World's Trustees decided to move Charity operations to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This also means Children's World now includes the work of both Children's World and Children's World International. Our new charity number is: 1172322.

Fundraising

Children's World's Trustees would like to thank all those that have supported our Charity's work over the past year through participation, fundraising and donations.

Glastonbury Festival

The majority of Children's World's funds are raised annually through trading via our subsidiary, Children's World Enterprises, at Glastonbury Festival. Thanks to the generosity of Michael Eavis and Glastonbury Festivals Ltd, and a very large number of hard-working volunteers, we are able to run four backstage concessions for the Theatre and Circus fields. These areas provide entertainment and refreshments for the Theatre and Circus performers and crew, while raising much-needed funds and the profile of Children's World.

Glastonbury Festival 2016 took place during one of the wettest weeks of the year, which led to many attendees arriving late and leaving early. The conditions were also extremely difficult for our long-suffering teams of volunteers, who persevered none-the-less. Huge amounts of appreciation goes to them for their dedication.

Fortunately, in contrast, this year's Festival was bright and sunny - some may say slightly too sunny to start with! This, along with our amazing volunteers' hard work, meant Glastonbury Festival 2017 was one of our best so far, both in terms of funds raised for our charity and also in terms of the amount of fun had by all! Thank you to everyone involved.



In addition to the above, Children's World has benefitted from funding from Trusts and Foundations, individuals, local businesses and public donations. Including: a large grant from the Clothworkers' Foundation to enable the purchase of an interactive floor; financial support for Off the Streets from Glastonbury Town Council, the Somerset Community Foundation, Somerset Crimebeat Trust and Benchmark; funding from the Anne Harris Children's Fund towards our work with refugees in northern France; an auction evening co-hosted with Hazel Jarman's class from Steiner Academy Frome and funding from the Victoria Club in Street as part of their Family Fun Day.

Future plans

Financial year 2017/18 presents Children's World with considerable challenges in terms of funding, due to the lack of trading at Glastonbury Festival during its 2018 'fallow' year. However, with the restructuring undertaken this year, work completed on revising promotional materials and rigorous financial management based on 4 year projections, we believe the Charity is in a good position make a success of the upcoming year in order to provide an ongoing secure financial base.

The Charity's first priority will be fundraising and a number of events and applications are planned for this, including a small Family Festival in partnership with Paddington Farm Trust. In addition, the promotion of our workshops will continue, with a particular focus on our work using our new interactive floor to engage children with Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties.

Everyone at Children's World would like to thank all of our supporters, funders and partners that have helped make financial year 2016/17 a productive one and all those that have come forward to offer support, help and ideas for the upcoming financial year. We look forward to working with our many friends and partner organisations in taking our Charity forward.



Thank you again!



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