



Learning for Life Ionnsachadh Fad-beatha.

Adult Learning in Nairn, Badenoch & Strathspey.

April 2017

Music + Literacy

Learners in Kingussie have recently completed our second Music + Literacy Course. Working closely with Caberfeidh Day Centre and Caberfeidh Horizons Book Shop, we delivered an eight week course looking at the connection between Music and Literacy. Learners learned about different instruments, lyrics and the connection between words and rhythm. Fèis Spè kindly let us borrow some instruments for our group, which were greatly enjoyed by the learners. At the end of the course in December, learners performed some of the music they had learned during the course to impressed day centre, book shop and HLH staff. Learners were also presented with certificates on completion of the course.



Digital Skills

Learners throughout Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey have had the opportunity to improve their digital skills. Various groups have run throughout the area, with learners improving skills and confidence on making the most of the online world. We recently delivered a course in Newtonmore, based in the Highland Folk Museum. We are happy to support learners in more rural areas, develop and improve their digital skills which may help them in their day to day lives. We look forward to working with learners in other places and putting on more sessions to allow people to feel more confident in using online services, and to help them make the most of their digital device.

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Tutor Training

We have recently welcomed three more voluntary tutors to our team in Nairn. We ask that our new tutors undertake the SQA Professional Development Award in Supporting Adult Literacies Learners. This qualification enables volunteer to deliver 1-1 and group sessions with adult learners. For more information on this qualification, please contact Jenni.

1 : 1 Support for Learners

As well as our various groups, we continue to provide 1:1 support for people who have a specific literacy need and goal in mind. We can help support learners to improve their reading, writing, numeracy and spelling skills. We can help learners who require skills and confidence for employment purposes. Whether it is to gain employment or carry out the written tasks/reports required for their role, we can help. Learners who come to us for 1:1 support are of varying levels of ability, and we can provide tuition to cater for learners specific needs. We can also support learners in working towards an SQA Core Skills qualification.



ESOL

We continue to run ESOL Groups throughout Nairn, Badenoch and Strathpey. The classes are informal, and a great way for learners to practice and improve their language skills in a relaxed setting.

During October 2016 to March 2017

**** We engaged with 145 learners***

**** We delivered 690 contact hours***



We have recently helped learners pass their Driving Theory Test. We recognise this can be a difficult test and requires various skills to pass. Coming to Adult Learning for extra support can help learners understand and gain the skills and confidence to successfully pass the test.

Coming soon:

- **Highland Adult Learning Partnership Conference – April 21st.**
- **Volunteering Skills Award Group**
- **Employability Award Group**
- **Photography/Film Course**
- **The Reading Circle**
- **Digital Skills Groups**

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