

Awards Network Responding to Covid-19

#Youthworkathome - Supporting Award Achievement (updated August 2020)



Below are some examples of how Awards Network members are supporting young people to enjoy #youthworkathome and continue their journey to youth award attainment and achievement.

Activity resources from membership organisations have generally been made available for members and non-members alike to engage, learn, achieve, have fun and enjoy.

Links are also provided to guidance, information and other resources from our members and external sources in preparation for a phased renewal of youth work services as part of education recovery

Understanding COVID-19: a resource for young People

To help young people understand more about the Coronavirus and simple steps they can take to stop its spread, **Young Scot** has developed an excellent on-line COVID-19 resource. Young people can find out more about what they can do if feeling anxious and worried, how they can support others in their community, and other links to a vast range of information and advice. [READ MORE](#).

Awards Network Members - Supporting Award Achievement: activities and resources

Archaeology Scotland - [Heritage Hero Awards at Home](#) outlines lots of ways that the Heritage Hero Awards (HHA) can be completed safely at home. Archaeology Scotland's [Heritage Resources Portal](#) is also bursting with resources to help with Awards. PDF awards workbooks, which parents and guardians who are unfamiliar with wider achievement awards might find helpful, can be emailed to record activities. More information, including the HHA Handbook and case studies are available [HERE](#).

See also a [presentation](#) highlighting the potential contribution of the Heritage Hero Award to addressing priorities for education recovery.

For more details, advice and support contact awards@archaeologyscotland.org.uk

Army Cadets - The Army Cadets are planning to share activities for Cadets to do online and at home with their parents if families are faced with self-isolation. You can keep up to date with all online Cadet activity across Facebook, Twitter and Instagram by searching and using the hashtags **#VirtualACF** **#Keeptheflamealive** and **#CadetForceResilience**

Arts Award - Read how [Arts Award](#) organisations are adapting to new modes of delivery. An example of how one Arts Award centre has developed programme resources and guidance to support completion of Arts Award at home can be found [HERE](#). See also [Arts Award and Education Recovery](#)

ASDAN – [Free resources](#) are available to support some ASDAN programme activities at home. See also ASDAN's [Coronavirus Notification to Centres](#). This covers those delivering ASDAN qualifications and ASDAN programmes. The key is flexibility, without compromise to integrity and quality.

The Boys' Brigade launched a new [#BBatHome](#) programme, with daily weekly challenges for youth members across 3 age ranges. More materials have been released to support [Summer Adventures](#). Materials are available to non-members. Guidance for leaders can be found [HERE](#). The BB have recently released [Stronger Safer Together](#) a framework for returning to face-to-face BB activities.

British Red Cross - the Power of Kindness: a suite of on-line educational resources encouraging young people to engage in and record **acts of kindness** during the current lockdown period. Includes activities aimed at ages 7-11 and 11-18. [Read more](#)

CVQO - e-resources have been developed for all CVQO qualifications that learners can use at home, as well as [webinars](#) to support our BTEC Diploma in Teamwork and Personal Development in the Community at SCQF Level 5. Virtual training sessions are bookable via Regional Manager, Jim Black jb@cvqo.org. New learners and units can register their interest for 2020/2021 by clicking [here](#). Other information and contact details can be found [HERE](#)

Children's University Scotland (CUS) continues to provide opportunities for serious fun and learning through their *Challenge of the Day* and weekly *Family Learning Challenge*. Their latest addition is [Holiday Heroes](#). Find the full range of Children's University downloadable activity sheets and challenges [HERE](#)

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award have produced information and guidance for those doing and delivering the DofE Award, including activity ideas for home. To find out more about continuing Award progress visit [#DofEWithADifference](#). See also information on the [2020 DofE Certificate of Achievement](#)

Girlguiding Scotland - the Girlguiding fun continues with [#AdventuresAtHome](#). Each week a new batch of activities will be highlighted across 4 ages ranges from 5 to 18. The [Guiding at Home Hub](#) provides support and advice for volunteers who wish to continue delivering Girlguiding programmes on-line at this time. Practical resources and checklists to ensure safety on line are found in the Volunteer Zone. Further COVID recovery-related Guidance can be found [HERE](#)

Girls' Brigade Scotland - members are sharing programme ideas through social media, demonstrating lots of creative ways in which the programme and mission of GB Scotland continues at this time. Keep in touch by visiting [Girls Brigade Scotland on Facebook](#) and [@gbinscotland](#) on twitter.

JASS - there are lots of activities that can be done from home to continue progression through the award levels. JASS has recently released its first quarterly [Newsletter](#). Check out Logan's story of his JASS award journey. Watch a [brilliant film](#) about the JASS award produced by pupils from Larbert High.

John Muir Award - There's lots to see and do from home and garden! See the John Muir Award [updated FAQs](#). We will be sharing activity ideas and suggestions through social media [@JohnMuirTrust](#) and [#JohnMuirAward](#).

The John Muir Trust has launched a new weekly newsletter [Wild Inside](#). Out Tuesdays, it features activities to support home schooling and creative ways people are using nature to help connect and support each other during the coronavirus pandemic.

Outward Bound Trust - The Outward Bound Trust are offering 1,000 free days of adventure this summer, to get young people back outdoors. [Read more](#)

Prince's Trust - [Coronavirus Support Hub](#) provides advice and resources targeted at young people aged 16 to 30 and an opportunity to engage in **live chat with support workers**.

Saltire Awards - with many thousands of people volunteering to look after others facing difficulties during the Coronavirus crisis, now is a good time to visit the [new Saltire Awards website](#). Young people aged 12 to 25 can sign up to ensure that their volunteering is recorded, celebrated and reward with nationally recognised certificates.

Scouts - The Scouts have produced an on-line resource of over 100 activities for young people to continue their Scouting at home. These are available to non-members too. See [#TheGreatIndoors](#). More information for parents and Leaders can be found [HERE](#)

For the first time ever a Scout badge can also be achieved by non-Scout members. [The Great Indoors Badge](#) has 3 stages, with a total of 27 age-appropriate challenges to complete.

[Back Together Safely](#) provides a framework, guidance and support materials to prepare for a return to face-to-face activity

Sea Cadets – Lots of training resources and activity ideas being shared [@SeaCadetsVirtualTraining](#). It is our aim to remain engaged with cadets across the country, in a safe and organised manner.' See also [Website](#)

Sports Leaders (SLQ) - Sports Leaders has produced guidance for Centres delivering their awards on matters to include assessment, award leadership requirements and quality assurance. Read the briefing for Centres [HERE](#). Further updates will be posted [HERE](#)

Young Enterprise Scotland (YES) - Regional Finals for Company Programme Teams are continuing, harnessing a mix of online judge's discussion and telephone interviews. The Company Programme Final will go ahead on 2nd June as a virtual event – more details to follow on the [YES website](#). The [Scotland's Enterprising Schools](#) Project, hosted by Young Enterprise Scotland on behalf of the Scottish Government continues to provide fantastic learning resources online for teachers to support young people as they adapt to their new learning life at home.

Young Scot Learning Resources - Young Scot has created [learning resources](#) to support home learning/education around COVID-19 and other relevant information topics for young people. Meeting a variety of Experiences and Outcomes from the Curriculum for Excellence they are relevant for a number of ages. Parents, carers, schools, teachers, or anyone working with young people can engage with the resources. Some can be completed online, and others should not require a computer.

Youth Scotland - Accrediting lockdown activities with [Awards at Home](#) - Youth Scotland has now added the Dynamic Youth Award (ages 10+) to its on-line Awards at Home offer, supporting young people engaging in activities at home to achieve an SQA qualification at SCQF Level 3. The Hi5 Award (ages 5+) provides accreditation at SCQF Level 2.

Youth Scotland released a [Post Lockdown Readiness Guide](#) in June to support community-based youth groups prepare for phased re-opening of services and activities. See further COVID-related information and guidance [HERE](#)

YouthLink Scotland – The youth work sector is preparing for a **phased return to face-to-face youth work**. This [guiding framework](#) is intended to support youth work leaders to make informed decisions regarding a risk-led approach to a gradual and phased return to face-to-face delivery, at the right time and pace; and to plan for the longer-term commencement of full youth work services. See also:

- [FAQ](#) on steps to youth work recovery
- [Safeguarding checklist for online youth work](#) - as more youth workers switch to online platforms to maintain contact and programme support for young people this is a helpful resource from YouthLink Scotland to ensure safe online youth work activity.
- General and youth sector specific [guidance in response to COVID-19](#) to include guidance on activity in each of the phases out of Lockdown and for youth work and school collaboration.

Other useful resources:

SCVO - [Coronavirus Third Sector Information Hub](#): Provides COVID-19 related information for third sector Employees, Funding, Leading your organisation, Services, Volunteers, Fundraising, Guidance & support, What SCVO is doing, Frequently asked questions

SDS - Information on services responding to COVID_19 can be found [HERE](#). Skills Development Scotland (SDS) has introduced a new Portal connecting people with **thousands of free-to-access online learning materials**. Working closely with learning providers, additional opportunities will be included in the coming weeks and months. It's a gateway to an incredible free learning resource. [Go explore!](#)

Scottish Government: The latest Scottish Government advice and guidance on COVID19, can be found [HERE](#).

- [Route Map Update released 30 July](#)

The Scottish Government is aiming for a full return for schools on 11 August. Read:

- [Guidance on preparing for the start of the new school term in August 2020](#)
- [Summary Guidance for Schools](#)

Community Learning and Development (CLD) Wakelet: This [Wakelet](#) makes it easy to access relevant materials from the one place. When you explore this Wakelet you will discover a collection of links to online resources. Please check which are available and suitable for use within your organisation, as well as relevant to the learners in your area of practice.