



KYTHE

DYNAMIC
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YOUTH
WORK

WINTER 2024 NEWSLETTER

Another busy year

How do you sum up a year with KYTHE when so much has happened and been achieved?

Here's a few of the monthly highlights:

- **January:** our annual review day when volunteers, youth workers, young people and many others come together and review the last year and plan for the future.
- **February:** Paul Beautyman, our new Head of Operations, started. Part of his role is to support the youth work team to enabling them to focus on time with young people
- **March:** Barry Dougall, our Head of Youth Work, was nominated as finalist for the 'Inspirational Leadership' Award at the prestigious National Youth Work Scotland Awards.
- The entire team attended the Better Place To Live fair to promote the work of KYTHE, and young people lead the ever-popular treasure hunt.
- **April:** Easter holiday activities included bushcraft skills and Mobile KYTHE being out and about.



- We celebrated five years of Altitude with an evening of karaoke, which could have gone on into the wee small hours, as it was so well attended and everyone wanted to sing.
- **May:** Our now annual Youth Awards Ceremony was held at Orwell Parish Church and was attended by family and friends of the 31 award winners.
- **June:** Abbie completed her apprenticeship and became a full-time youth worker!
- To celebrate the end of the first KYTHE Composes project, a concert was held at Milnathort Town Hall with the composers and performers with other bands.



- **July:** Summer holidays were filled with a variety of activities. A group of young people and youth workers camped at Lendrick Muir for the Christian youth festival *Magnitude*. Overall, the weather was quite good, and they all had a fabulous time.
- **August:** Year 3 of band camp and it was attended by 15 young people for three days at Kinross Parish Church.

- **September:** Crook Youth Club format changed to weekly, with meetings on Thursdays. A time for chat, games and tuck shop.
- We were blessed with good weather at the Fossoway Gathering and a great vibe as KYTHE musicians performed for all those there.
- **October:** Lynn stepped into the role of interim Head of Youth Work, after Barry moved to another job.
- **November:** Art workshops and woodworking continue.



- **December:** the KYTHE stall at the Festive Street Market in the Community Campus had a 'photo booth' with a polaroid camera, which the young people engaged in well!

By the middle of December, there had been **6675** instances of youth work in 2024, with a few remaining events, including the Christmas party.

Dates for the diary:

Drop-ins at the KYTHE Hub 12 – 3pm:

- Monday 23rd December 2024
- Monday 30th December 2024

Closing date for Head of Youth Work post:

Monday 13th January 2025

For more information: [Head of Youth Work Kinrossshire Youth Enterprise \(KYTHE\), Jobs, 439](#)

Christmas Giving Appeal

As we approach Christmas, we reflect that many families may be struggling financially, and this can impact their young people.

At KYTHE we offer all our activities free of charge, and last year we gave each of the young people a small Christmas bag full of essential items, such as deodorant, shower gel, toothbrush, along with a couple of fun items - chocolate is always enjoyed! Can you help this year and support the young people of Kinross-shire by donating to our campaign via the website <https://kythe.org.uk/donate/>

Or use the QR code



Many thanks for all your support over the year. Have a blessed time over Christmas and we look forward to continuing to 'Transform young lives' in 2025.

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