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**SUMMER 1
ROUND UP**



A word from our Head of Education



Interest based learning

"Interest-based learning is essential in designing meaningful and effective curricula. When students see their own passions, cultures, and curiosities reflected in what they learn, they become more engaged, motivated, and willing to take ownership of their learning journey."

It also allows our Greenhouse educators to personalise instruction, making learning more relevant and empowering for every child. By designing curricula that build on what genuinely excites students, we create a learning environment where curiosity drives progress."

Tara Jones – Head of Education



Tara's Highlight

This term we have worked with an aromatherapist to develop an ASDAN course based on student interests in **health and wellbeing**.

So far, our students have created essential oils and bath salts whilst earning basic relaxation and massage techniques. This accreditation will support long term goals and future careers.





Our inaugural Greenhouse event

'Rethinking Education for Young People in Care'

On 6th May, we held our annual event at The Storyhouse, with some great guest speakers and insights into the world of alternative provision. One of our guest speakers, Ben Whitaker, who spoke about the the digital landscape is continuously changing and how we have to adapt this to keep the curriculum relevant for the real world. Here's what he had to say...

What The Greenhouse team offer isn't just a different timetable - it's a different philosophy. One based on relationship before regulation. Learning that meets young people where they are, rather than demanding they catch up before they're allowed in. It's not soft. In fact, it's deeply rigorous.

But the rigour is emotional, social, human.

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Beyond the Register

A couple of weeks ago, I attended a powerful event hosted by the team behind The Hyflex Academy from Greenhouse Learning. What struck me wasn't just the innovative approach to learning on offer, it was the quiet urgency behind it. A recognition that for some young people, particularly those in care or with complex needs, traditional education isn't just failing to engage; it's actively pushing them out.

Too often, we default to what can be measured: attendance, punctuality, predicted grades, point scores. They're neat, sortable, easy to report on. But they don't tell you who felt safe that day. Who was heard. Who learned to trust someone for the first time. Who dared to hope.

Young people in care are some of the most vulnerable in our education system. Their lives often involve instability, trauma, and a carousel of professionals. And yet, we ask them to fit into the same frameworks, timetables and expectations as everyone else. We tell them that school is a ladder but we forget that not everyone is starting on the same rung.

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Join our Summer School 2025





Our summer education provision is thoughtfully designed to provide students with a sense of structure, continuity, and enrichment during the holiday period.

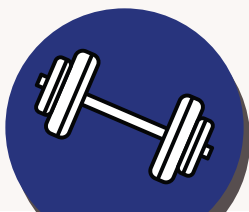
We recognise that long breaks can sometimes lead to gaps in learning and a loss of momentum, particularly for our students who thrive on routine or benefit from additional support.

The Greenhouse Summer school program offers a balanced blend of academic reinforcement, creative exploration, and social connection in a calm, supportive environment.

Whether it's revisiting core skills, engaging in project-based learning, or discovering new interests, our goal is to ensure every child returns to school confident, inspired, and ready to progress.

Weekly sessions include:

-  1:1 tutoring
-  Gym sessions
-  Football & Fitness
-  Life skills workshops
-  Day trips and activities





Workshops & Activities



This term's workshops focused on practical money skills including needs vs. wants, budgeting for meals and bills, smart spending, and financial planning. Through interactive activities, real-life scenarios, and team challenges, young people developed essential life skills to manage money more confidently and prepare for independent living and future responsibilities.

Needs vs. Wants

- Understanding the difference and learning to prioritise spending. Budgeting for Meals and Bills
- Learning to compare prices, identify essentials, and manage basic expenses.

Smart Spending: Price Comparison & Supermarket Challenge

- Exploring where and how to save money by comparing shops and brands.

Planning a Group Activity on a Budget

- Working as a team to plan a real-life trip while considering costs.

Too Good To Go Bag Challenge

- Exploring how to fight food waste and save money using the Too Good To Go app.

- New Brighton Beach £100 Team Budget Challenge
- A fun day out with a competitive twist: which team could stretch their budget furthest?





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New vocational courses

This July, The Greenhouse will launch their new vocational courses in Health & Social Care and Hospitality, developed in partnership with local authorities for those reaching 16 up to 18.

These innovative programs combine classroom learning with practical industry experience, maintaining our person-centered approach while providing tangible employment pathways for young people. Our wrap-around support continues to evolve, ensuring each student receives tailored guidance that leads to meaningful outcomes in their chosen field.



Every student receives a person-centered plan that continues seamlessly from education to training. Our skilled staff conduct thorough initial assessments to tailor the perfect support package—whether that's functional skills in Maths and English or employability training for workplace behavior and interview preparation. These innovative programs combine classroom learning with practical industry experience, ensuring tangible employment pathways while maintaining our commitment to individualized support.



What's to come



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We will be opening up a new location

Growing demand for our innovative education provision has led us to look to open and shortly share an exciting new location.

This expansion validates our proven learning concept and demonstrates the effectiveness of our transformative approach to education. The new space will feature enhanced indoor and outdoor interactive learning experiences, designed to engage learners in dynamic ways.

This growth enables us to deliver more bespoke education packages to our expanding community, helping us continue our mission of enhancing lives through exceptional, personalised learning opportunities.





Workshop & Activity Timetable

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Thursday (Workshop)	Intro to Careers & Pathways (5th June) 11am - 2pm	Health & Beauty Aromatherapy (12th June) 11am - 2pm	Barista course (19th June) 11am - 2pm	Interview skills (26th June) 11am - 2pm	Police/Support workers (3rd July) 11am - 2pm	Pro Podcasting (10th July) 11am - 2pm
Location	Education Centre	Education Centre	Education Centre	Education Centre	Education Centre	Home
Friday (Activity)	Walk in Wales (6th June) 11am - 2pm	Barista Trip to Lost Barn & Carden Park (13th June) 11am - 2pm	Fire station Visit & drills (20th June) 11am - 2pm	Boat Trip in Chester (27th June) 11am - 2pm	Football & Sports Day training at Goals (4th July) 11am - 2pm	SPORTS DAY (11th July) 11am - 2pm
Location	Day Trip	Day Trip	Day Trip	Day Trip	Goals	LIVE! Chester

Over the next 6 weeks, students will engage in workshops on career exploration, future pathways, and exposure to a range of local professionals across industries. These sessions will help students identify their strengths and interests while learning about various educational and vocational options. Through guest speakers, interactive activities, and practical guidance, our Young People will gain valuable insights into different career journeys and what it takes to succeed in various fields. This series is designed to support all students with the knowledge, confidence, and inspiration to make informed decisions about their futures and take meaningful steps toward their goals.

