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If you are interested in the UFA running an extended learning programme in your area, contact us now and we can discuss your needs and requirements.

'The Fun Factor is restored; it can easily be forgotten; Literacy and Numeracy are very prescriptive, so you lose lateral thinkers, and all the creativeness goes; UFA restores it.'



Learning is...
climbing a mountain

Extended Learning with the UFA

'I just think it's absolutely brilliant; I believe in myself now, doing things in new ways, and seeing colleagues following the lead; I take staff meetings now, Out of Hours attendance has doubled, and seventeen families have become involved in family learning'



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Extended Learning



The UFA

The UFA is a national educational charity that during the past ten years has worked with over half a million young people to provide enriching and challenging learning activities. We work in partnership to develop the capacity of others to enable and encourage the potential of young people.

Our aim

To create learning that enriches lives in home, school and community, raising aspirations and achievement for young people aged 5-25.

How

- Creating a learning network that young people can belong to anywhere that develops learning & leadership skills for life
- Creating relationships in schools, communities and with parents that develop innovative learning activities that take place inside and outside of the school

Extended Learning, Extended Schools

The government target is that 'All schools have to provide extended learning activities that meet the needs of young people and their parents (from 8am-6pm) by 2010'. This can be done individually or as consortiums of schools.

Are you facing any of the following issues?

- Not sure about the quality of the OOHL programme being delivered
- Not enough activities for young people available
- Not a wide enough range of activities available
- Staff are not trained to run activities
- Not enough staff available to deliver activities
- Teachers are not available to deliver these clubs

The course programme

The course programme is designed to train a group of adults, who may not be teachers, to run activities and out of school hour's clubs as part of the schools extended learning programme and contribute to the core offer's varied menu of activities.

The course covers:

- Understanding the learning process, how to run quality learning clubs and how to make learning fun
- Involving parents and the community in learning activities as participants or deliverers
- Linking out of hours learning (OOHL) with school strategies contributing to raising achievement
- Creating capacity and confidence of adults to deliver extended learning opportunities outside of the school day
- Developing relationships between agencies and adults that can support young people's learning

Delivered through:

- Adult training programme for a minimum of 12 people on a 3 day course
- Delivered at your site or to a consortium of organisations/ extended school groups
- Aimed at multi agency groups or for specific groups such as parents, volunteers, OOHL providers, learning mentors, teaching assistants, community groups
- Costs could be split between schools/organisations sending participants

Cost

- £405 per person (which is just £135 per day!)
- £4800 for a course with a maximum number of 20 participants (which is £80 per day!)

Benefits to young people involved

The benefits of OOHL activities are nationally reported. Young people participating in 75 hours or more of OOHL increase their SATs results and GCSE grades. Further benefits include: increased achievement, greater motivation to learn and engagement in school, improved attendance and behaviour. OOHL also provides an opportunity to experience activities that young people don't get time for during school, as well as helping them to enjoy learning and develop new skills.

Every Child Matters outcomes are supported by OOHL, providing a safe place for young people to be, ensuring enjoyment and achievement through new learning challenges, developing 'employability skills' and making a positive contribution through the chance to support others in their learning as a Peer Tutor.

Benefits of this programme

- Brings a range of individuals together from different teams/ backgrounds/experiences to share their expertise
- Increases your capacity to offer OOHL/varied menu
- Meet the 2010 government target
- Train staff to deliver high quality programmes that improve young people's achievement
- Parent and community involvement in the school
- Opportunity to provide additional accreditation for young people

'I am astounded by the impact of UFA on some of the young people I work with – particularly some of the children with low self esteem or behavioural problems. They have much more confidence and are engaging and enjoying their learning.'

By the end of the course participants will be able to:

- Plan clubs, building in quality – defining a quality OOHL club
- Understand how to make it fun and motivating
- Understand the importance of emotions for learning
- Understand how our biology, nutrition relates to learning
- Understand the importance of positive relationships for learning and know how to foster them
- Understand how to make it fun, safe and challenging
- Understand how to plan for learners who have different needs
- Know how to celebrate success
- Know how to involve YP as leaders of/in the club
- Understand how what they are doing relates to the varied menu of activities, extended schools study supports

Course participants are provided with a course booklet and all the materials they will need to participate in the course and will receive a certificate on completion.

