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A Junior Filmmakers project

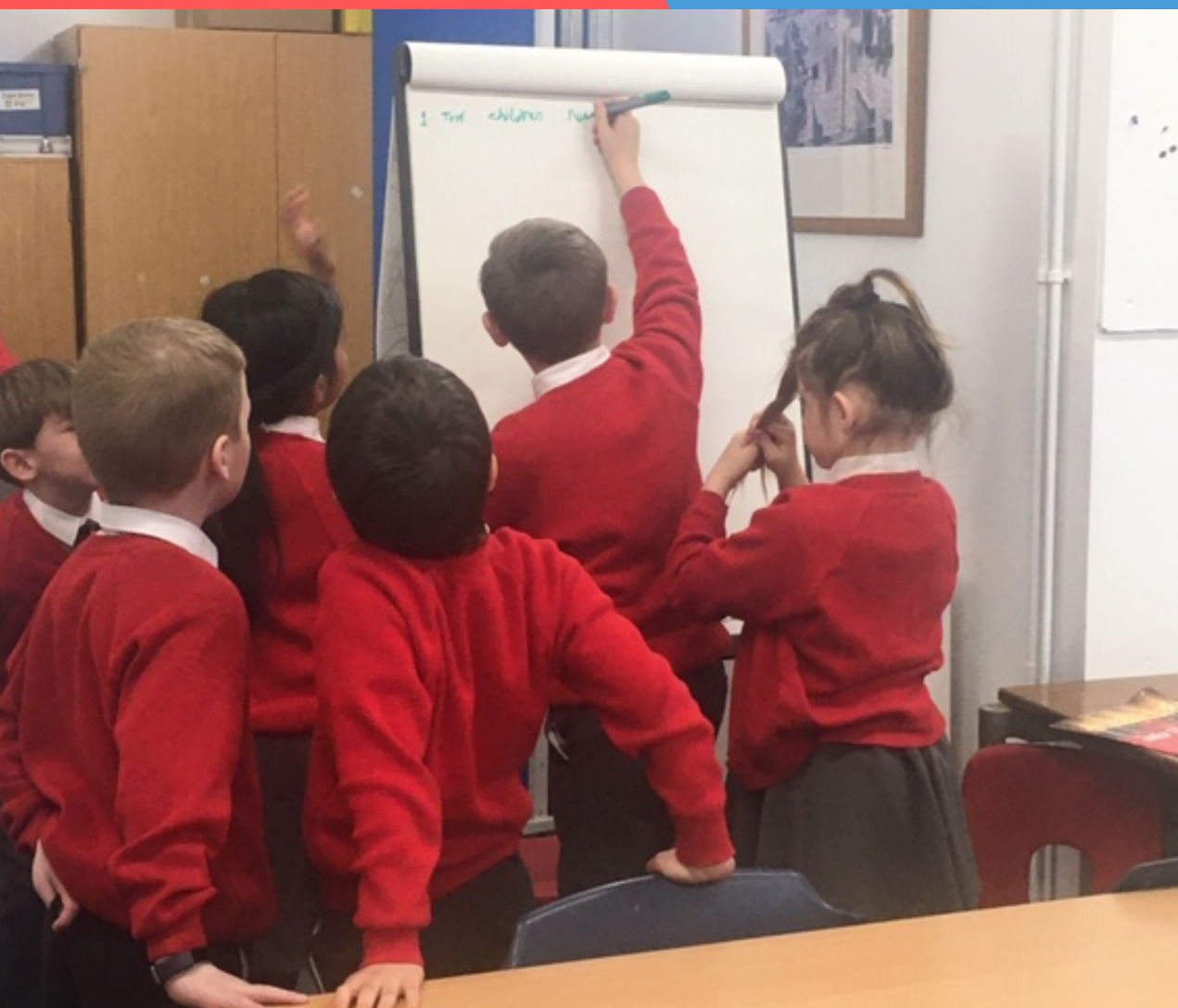
The Lewis Initiative

In memory of Lewis Wenman

10/02/2003-07/11/2020



Film-making Project



Theme:
Knives Ruin Lives

The Project

Five film-making projects where participants go through the Junior Filmmakers film-making programme and produce a total of five films at the end of the cycle.

Each film project will last 12 weeks.

Training and film-making will take place one hour per week.

Training will start online.





Milton Keynes is heralded as a leading business destination and a safe and beautiful place to live and have families.

Underneath this image is a growing problem around poverty which is leading to a rise in gangs, drugs and knife crime.

Milton Keynes is now being likened to a smaller copy of London.

Within the last four weeks alone, there has been at least four knife attacks and the death of 2 teenagers.

It is imperative that we work with young people to tackle the problems of knife crime.

What we want to achieve?



Our Vision

- Engage young people in understanding the dangers of night crime
- Create youth ambassadors who are able to champion issues relating to the reduction of knives through their films
- Reduce knife crime by providing an understanding of its dangers to young people.



The process!

Young people will learn script development and writing skills, camera skills, crewing, casting, scheduling, editing and also develop self confidence, communication, presentation and collaborative skills

- 50 young people
- 5 films
- 10 mins each
- 2 films will be produced by children in year 5 and 6 in primary schools
- 3 films will be produced by young people in secondary schools
- 3 high school films to feature influencers



Five film styles - one to be used for each film.

- Paul Blink Style (Paul Blink is a youth therapist who listens to young people's problems and provides guidance to proper help and support)
- Narrative storytelling
- Documentary
- Drama
- Musical



Influencers will be invited to take part in the project in order to increase the reach and impact of the films with young people in secondary schools and colleges.

Influencers



Micheal Ward



Akala



Chunkz



Michael Dapaah

The Premiere

The premiere of all the films will take place in a central Milton Keynes location such as the MK Gallery or a cinema.

Filmmakers, their school representatives, family members, funders, community leaders, law enforcement, councillors, young people, survivors or others affected by knife crime will be in attendance.

The film screenings will be interspersed with speeches about the theme.

The filmmakers will be awarded certificates of participation at the premiere.



The Tour



Following the premiere, the films will be toured to all schools in Milton Keynes.

The two films produced by children from primary schools will be screened in primary schools.

The three films produced by young people from secondary schools will be screened in secondary schools and colleges.

Each film screening at a school assembly will be accompanied by someone from law enforcement, an MK expert and someone who has been affected by knife crime. These people will give brief talks about the theme and also answer questions from the students.



Who We Are



Junior Filmmakers has been running as a product of World Media Initiatives CIC, an organisation based in Milton Keynes.

Junior Filmmakers has produced more than 100 films and worked with over 2,000 children directly and over 5,000 indirectly through film screenings in schools.

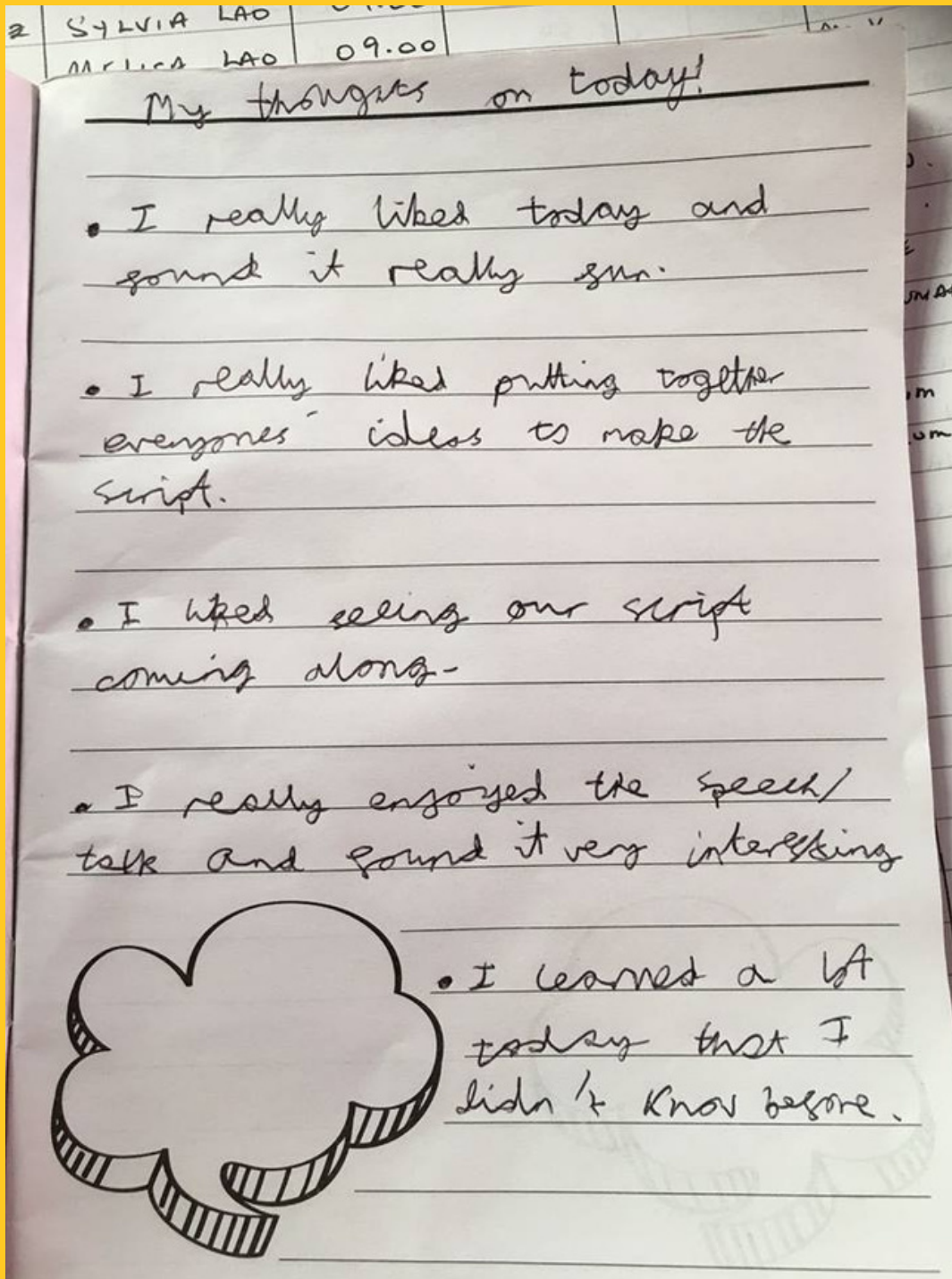
We work with young people aged 9 to 19 years and train them to produce films and TV programmes.

We also take them on trips to production facilities such as the BBC, SKY and Warner Brothers Studios and create meetings with industry professionals.

Junior Filmmakers take young people through a film-making programme involving script writing, storyboarding, camera techniques, interview techniques, acting skills, production skills and editing skills. The films produced are then premiered at a red carpet event to family and friends of the filmmakers, stakeholders, the wider communities and schools.

We run these activities in schools and out of schools during half term and summer holidays when young people come to our studios.

What Others Say.



If there was a top five, watching that film by Junior Filmmakers on Remembrance Day would have to go down as one of the top five things I've done.

Cllr Andrew Geary, Mayor of Milton Keynes , 2020-2021

"Junior Filmmakers is the future of film-making in Milton Keynes'.

"John Best, former chief executive, Milton Council, Current Chairman Arts Central

Participant, participant age 12 years

..... had a lovely time will def recommend to others and she looks forward to coming in on the 8th.

"The technical aspects of the films are very good"

Rosemary Hill, Director, The Play's the Thing

Parent

My son loved this course!

Parent

Many thanks ditto She really enjoyed the week. Thanks to you, Karen and Jason for all your hard work.

Participant, age: 8 years

"I didn't realise film-making was so difficult."



Budget

Filmmaking project:
£10,000

£10,000 provided by
L&Q Foundation

Film Tours: £5,000 -
Unavailable

Influencers fees:
£3000- Unavailable



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Theodore Roosevelt



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