



# UNIQUE VOICE CIC

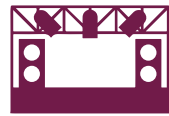
## WHAT WE DO & HOW WE DO IT



# WHO WE ARE AND WHAT OUR MISSION IS

We are a Community Interest Company (CIC), led by three directors Krystal, Claire and Cat. We are proud to be in our 14th year, based in Bristol and delivering our work across the South West.

Our work supports children and young people (CYP) with their social and emotional development. We do this through the phenomenal power of creativity and the arts. We use a variety of mediums to explore challenging subjects with CYP, including:



PERFORMANCE



DIGITAL MEDIA



LITERACY



ART



PLAY

This not only enables social and emotional growth which contributes to multiple positive health and wellbeing outcomes, but also offers an opportunity to many CYP to participate in the educational based arts. Through our programmes, we encourage creativity, challenging the stereotypes of who can be a 'creative' or create art. We develop the skills and confidence needed for CYP to experiment with creativity and the arts, whilst always having our mission of social and emotional development at heart.

Woven throughout all our programmes is the intention to enable young people to thrive with the resilience to overcome adversity, the confidence to make positive decisions, and a strong moral compass to guide them on their journey through life.

One of our main objectives at Unique Voice is to amplify the voices of children and young people, bringing their opinions and beliefs to the forefront of people's minds - we do this through film, performance and storytelling which is both emotive and powerful. Through workshops, we explore social issues with CYP, learn about the challenges they face, and work with them to get their important ideas heard, driving for change and social action.

We deliver our work in schools and the community, and have an outstanding reputation for achieving positive social impact.

# OUR VALUES



## COMPASSION

We approach everyone with empathy, respect, honesty and inclusivity, always.



## CREATIVITY

We create innovative projects to empower and inspire young minds to think critically and make well informed decisions.



## CURIOSITY

We embrace the chance to listen, learn, make mistakes, discover solutions and grow with and for our audiences.



## COLLABORATION

We aim to build trusting relationships through meaningful connections and partnerships that make a lasting difference and legacy.



## CHANGE

We are committed to making a difference to the lives of individuals and communities through every interaction, however large or small.



# OUR WORK

Our work varies from project to project based on the outcomes and objectives we are setting out to reach and the topics we are looking to explore.

Each project is underpinned by our values and designed to be accessible and inclusive to all learning styles.

We work across the age ranges of school aged children, and in a variety of different settings in education and in the community.

We recognise the importance of supporting our staff, offering supervision and debriefs and time with a fantastic occupational therapist to help manage any challenges that arise during our programmes.

Working with a CYP centred approach, we ensure that voices are heard equally and with respect between leader, participants and peers.

## CATEGORIES OF OUR WORK



### Community

With the support of the DfE, local businesses and our own fundraising, we provide free holiday provision, activity packs, and stay & play sessions for hundreds of children and young people each year.



### Education

We deliver innovative PSHE workshops in schools that explore relevant social themes through the arts; from early years to adolescence.



### Commissions

We are commissioned by organisations to deliver bespoke projects to young people, creating arts-based programmes for charities, foundations and community groups.

## HOW WE DELIVER OUR WORK

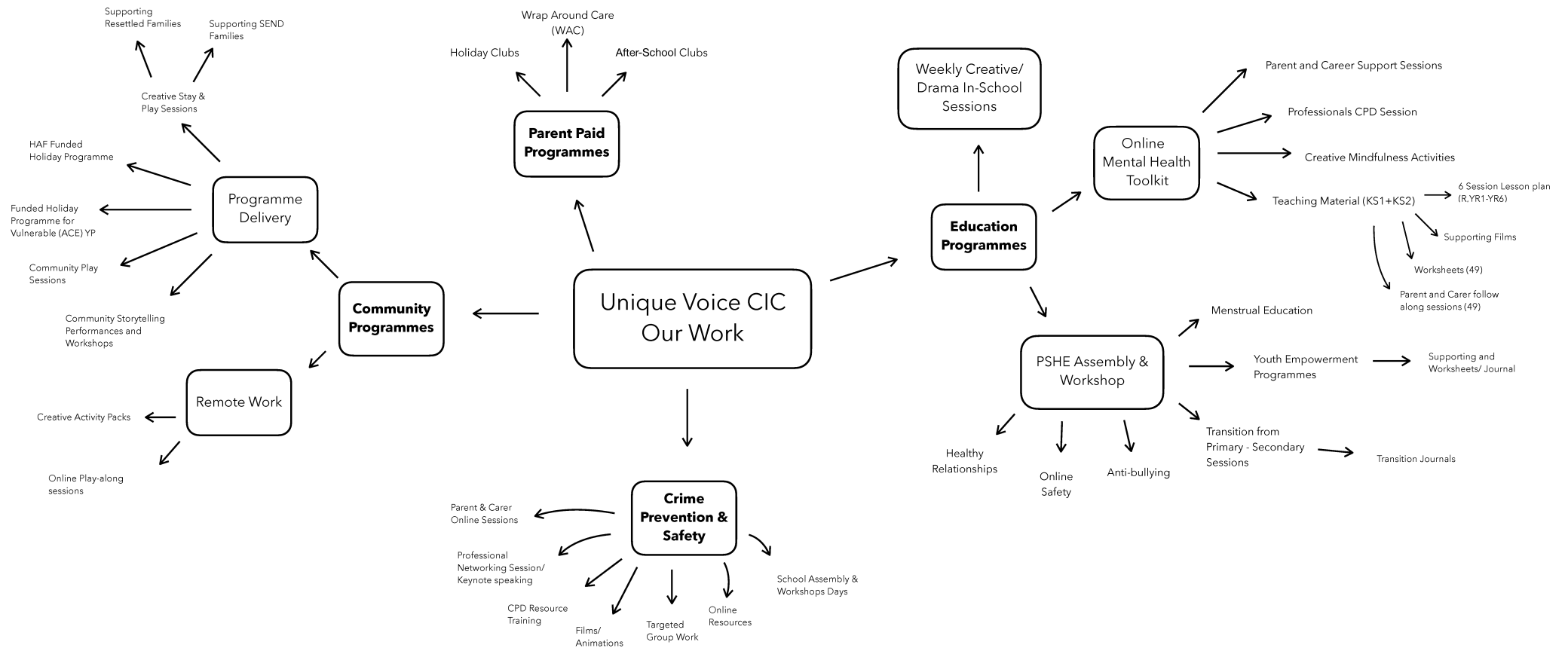
### In-House Team

Our small team of 11 members have carefully structured roles to ensure the business is developing, that our projects are designed with creative excellence, that delivery is smooth and effective, and of course, that all HR, policy and legalities are strong and in line with our services. We are creative thinkers and problem solvers, which enables us to adapt to changing situations and to be flexible within projects.

### Delivery Team

We have a pool of over 50 freelance practitioners. They are creative, empathetic and overall wonderful people who are passionate about working with CYP through play. All team members are enhanced DBS checked and are on the update service. Training in Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) is mandatory, alongside drawing upon the skills needed to build emotionally and physically safe and respectful spaces, and trusting relationships.

# OUR WORK – MIND MAP



# EXAMPLES OF OUR WORK

We hope you enjoy reading a little more about a selection of our projects. Please follow the links to get a taste of the creativity in action.

## COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES

### **Creative holiday provision**

Creative holiday provision for referred CYP in their communities - typically we deliver 4 programmes in Bristol and 3 in South Gloucestershire simultaneously over the course of the spring, summer and winter holiday periods.

[Holiday Programme Trailer](#)

### **Creative 'Stay and Play' for families seeking asylum**

Creative, fun and joyful activities delivered across Bristol for families seeking sanctuary. We provide opportunities for children to play and get creative, and for parents/ carers to either participate or sit back and enjoy some respite.

### **Creative activity packs, food parcels and online sessions**

Often delivered to families who cannot access in-person provision, we provide creative activity packs filled with high quality arts resources and an activity book to bring the arts into the home. Alongside this we provide ambient food parcels for identified families. We have also delivered an online session where a facilitator demonstrates making the creations in the activity pack.

[Make-Along Session recording](#)

## EDUCATION PROJECTS

### **Youth Empowerment Programme**

'Bossing It!' is a 12 week programme of work delivered to identified groups of secondary school students. During the sessions students explore their passions and attributes, learn to recognise the value they and those around them hold and look ahead to the opportunities open to them in the future.

[Bossing It Impact Report](#)

### **PSHE themed sessions**

Creative workshops on key PSHE topics such as anti-bullying, online safety and healthy relationships.

[National Anti-bullying Week Video 24](#)

### **Mental Health Toolkit (MHT)**

A highly creative online tool for schools to access and deliver mental health education. Schools subscribe to this service, and renew each year.

[MHT Trailer](#)

# CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY PROGRAMMES

## What Would you Do?

A pioneering project delivered in partnership with the charity Crimestoppers working in targeted areas in the South West, where specific crime issues are highlighted. Working in selected schools we deliver a 6-week programme of work, on those identified priorities (e.g. exploitation, county lines, knife violence). The workshops culminate in a performance at a local theatre where community members come and witness the children's experiences, whilst learning how to keep their communities safe and report crime to Crimestoppers.

[What Would You Do? Finale Montage Example](#)

## Seeking Belonging

Early intervention to prevent youth and group based violence. Delivered in primary schools to Years 5 & 6 on the themes of 'belonging' and what happens when belonging goes wrong

[Seeking Belonging Film](#)

## Safer Together

Intervention to educate on the topic of knife violence, developed as a direct response to the murders of Max and Mason in 2024 in South Bristol. Workshops explore key themes with a powerful young person led film which frames the project.

[Safer Together Film](#)

## 'We Feel Unsafe'

Intervention to educate on the topic of Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) involving an innovative film with young people, and creative workshops exploring key themes.

[We Feel Unsafe Film](#)

## Online resources

We have converted all our community safety work into free, online resources that can be accessed by anyone, anytime. They are highly creative and accessible with detailed instructions and notes.

[Online Resources](#)

## Parent and Carer online sessions

Creative workshops on key PSHE topics such as anti-bullying, online safety and healthy relationships.

[Parent and Carer Online Session Example](#)

## Professional CPD & networking events

Themed events delivered with Crimestoppers, strengthening networks across professions working in communities, sharing good practice and hearing from key note speakers. Within CPD events we upskill professionals to deliver our creative resources within their community setting.





## PARENT PAID PROGRAMMES

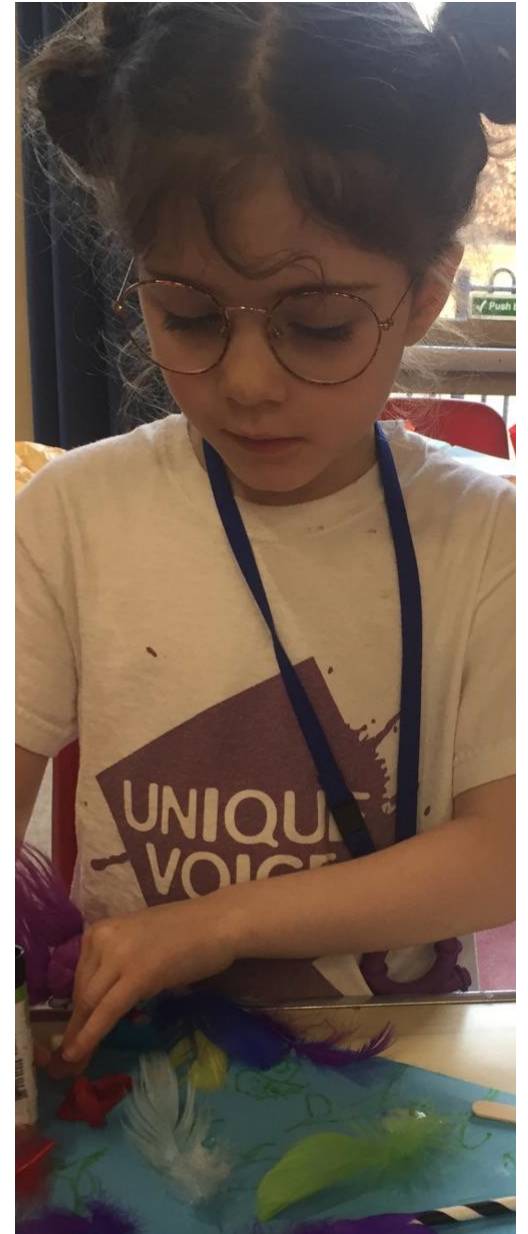
As a sustainability initiative, we have started to deliver parent paid creative clubs. Our vision is to invest any profit back into the core running costs of our business, enabling us to unlock further funding to keep delivering our impactful work across communities. We are at the very beginning of this journey and look forward to reporting on our progress in due course.

### **Holiday Clubs**

Performing arts clubs for young creatives, filled with joy, games and super fun activities in a nurturing environment during school holidays.

### **Wrap Around Care**

Breakfast and After School Clubs at primary schools, enabling parents to achieve their working day safe in the knowledge their children are being looked after in a safe, nurturing and creative environment.



# ABOUT UNIQUE VOICE

Unique Voice has a wealth of experience in supporting children and young people. At the heart of everything we do is the mission to enable children and young people from all walks of life to thrive. We use creativity and the arts to do this by using practices such as drama, storytelling, poetry, music, art, and digital media to:



**HELP TO DEVELOP TOOLS TO  
NAVIGATE ADVERSE EXPERIENCES**



**PROVIDE SAFE SPACES TO PLAY  
AND EXPRESS EMOTION**



**ENCOURAGE PROBLEM-SOLVING  
AND CRITICAL THINKING**



**PROVIDE SPACE TO EXPLORE AND  
DISCUSS CHALLENGING ISSUES**

We deliver trauma informed arts programmes for children and young people. Our programmes are designed to enable young people to learn and grow in a wide variety of social and emotional education topics, whether that is through creative, classroom-based learning, or community arts projects.

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