



LionHeart
Challenge

**A SELECTION OF FEEDBACK FROM THE TEACHERS AND
SCHOOLS INVOLVED IN THE LIONHEART CHALLENGE
2010/11**

**'SUNDERLAND IN-SCHOOL LIONHEART CHALLENGE
PROGRAMMES'**

Ms. Lesley Mole, Personal Advisor, Connexions Sunderland

"I feel this has been a brilliant opportunity for the students. The team are motivational and encouraging and judging by the amount of work the lads have got through, very successful. The standard of the presentations were outstanding and I feel this reflects the whole day! I have never taken part in anything anywhere near as successful. Well done!"

Mr. Mike Hall, Assistant Head Teacher, Washington School

"Ideas generated were excellent" "Presentations were Excellent" "Excellent Day."

Ms. Carole Scott, Enterprise in Education Project, Sunderland

"This is an excellent programme delivered professionally and with passion and an understanding of young people's attitudes."

"The Challenge leads young people out of their comfort zones and into a climate where they can be creative and work in a team with a purpose."

Ms. Hilary Akien, Assistant Head Teacher, Sandhill View School

"A great day – proof that no pupils misbehaved at all and the business coaches were superb and kept the pupils engaged all day. Really impressed by the energy and enthusiasm of all concerned. Thank you for a wonderful day and for the way the Challenge was linked to NC and ECM."

Ms. Allyson Towers, Director of Specialism, Thornhill School

"Excellent day, pupils were on task all day, engaged and interested. A big thank you to all the business coaches for their hard work."

Ms. Kerry Kilminster, P.D.E Coordinator, St. Aidan's Catholic School

"Excellent day. Staff were outstanding – friendly, approachable and so enthusiastic. I would strongly recommend this team."

Ms. Hall, HLTA, Oxclose Community School

"Well Organised. Students enjoyed the experience and were engaged throughout. Well thought out with excellent resources."

Ms. Nicola Thomas, Learning Mentor, Washington School

"The Whole programme was enjoyed by all pupils, they experienced new skills and challenges. During the day I received many positive comments from the pupils engaged in the programme."

Ms. Julie Lumley, Assistant Headteacher, Oxclose Community School

"This has been a very enjoyable experience for all the students who have taken part. The students really responded to the business coaches who worked really hard with our students, a well managed project. Thanks."

G. Sanderson, Head of Year, St. Aidan's Catholic School

"Pupils worked as a team and were engaged and enthused by the activities. During the process they gained many new skills due to the excellent facilitators who had excellent understanding and knowledge. Students were guided through every stage of the process with clear targets, instructions and outcomes."

Ms. Gwen McNaught, Year Manager, Farringdon Community Sports College

"The pupils have worked well with staff today. The coaches were efficient and encouraged the pupils to achieve things they never thought were possible. All of the pupils were encouraged to try new skills."

Mr. Mark Adams, Director of progress for KS4, Monkwearmouth School

"The overall day was a success, engaging the majority of students....it was also interesting to see the dynamics of the winning group which included students who did not always achieve in school."

Mr. Vincent T Wright, Retired Teacher, St Aidan's Catholic School

"Well organized, focused, fast paced and I am sure interesting for the students, they must have learnt from this experience."

Ms. Dawn Duten, Assistant Head of Year, Oxclose Community School

"Fantastic organization and collaboration. The staff are really encouraging and motivational."

Ms. Donna Humble, Student Support Worker, St. Aidan's Catholic School

"The students have received an amazing opportunity to gain an insight into the business world. By providing an insight to so many business aspects will give them scope to develop this further in their future careers."

Ms. Andrea Hill, Teacher of Business & ICT, Venerable Bede CofE School

"Everything was well organized and planned, a great day."

Mr. Stephen Hammond, Head Teacher, St. Aidan's Catholic School

"A fantastic day. Students have been able to use their creativity within a structural, supportive programme. Massively beneficial in terms of building up student's esteem and confidence as well as developing their skills. Thank you."

Mr. Ivan Bird, Teacher, Thornhill School

"I've no doubt that pupils have a much greater awareness of Enterprise and Business because of this day. Very well ran and organized, highly enthusiastic staff kept pupils engaged and motivated."

Ms. Amanda Searle, Engineering Director, Red House Academy

"Absolutely loved the day. Excellent organization throughout, ran smoothly and all students kept on task through challenging activities. Students and staff thoroughly enjoyed the day, thank you and well done."

Ms. Kerry Kilminster, P.D.E Coordinator, St. Aidan's Catholic School

"From the initial introduction to the LionHeart Challenge I have been very impressed with the professionalism. I have been impressed with the staff who arrived early to set up and be ready for the challenge. The staff treat the pupils with respect, supporting and guiding them throughout the tasks but also allowing them to make their own decisions."

Ms. Dawn Outen, Head of Year, Venerable Bede CofE School

"This gave pupils the opportunity to show that they can work in unfamiliar settings/groups on something bigger and wider than school can generally provide. It shows them that the 'can do' approach helps them to move on. The LionHeart Scheme is well organized with an excellent team of coaches who get the most from all of the pupils."

Mr. Allan Langford, Deputy Head Teacher, Sandhill View School

"There were some very challenging students highly engaged and thoroughly enjoying themselves. We would certainly look to welcoming this highly professional and organized team in again."

Ms. Donna Humble, Student Support Worker, St. Aidan's Catholic School

"I feel that the team have been absolutely amazing. They have offered support, guidance, advice, experience, expert theory and so so much more. I can confidently say that the young people have gained so much from this experience and I believe the benefits will stay with them throughout their future career paths."