



Alternative Provision Offer

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About



Noah's ART

Noah's A.R.T. was founded in 2014 with a mission: to utilise the benefits of the human-animal bond to improve mental health and wellbeing in Greater Manchester. Our hub in Hyde town centre offers a range of mental health and wellbeing services, all based around animal-assisted interventions.



Alternative provision

Inspired by the hundreds of young people we have supported over 10 years, we have developed a unique offer. Our alternative provision enables you to gain recognised ASDAN qualifications in a relaxed learning environment, whilst developing crucial social skills, confidence and self-esteem.



Animal-Assisted Wellbeing

Our programme is lead by experienced animal-assisted intervention practitioners with a wealth of experience in mental health, education and animal care. Learners benefit from time spent with our therapy animals, plus a flexible approach to learning and attendance.



What are animal-assisted interventions?

Animal-assisted interventions (AAI) are a range of therapeutic experiences involving human-animal interaction, including animal-assisted therapy, education and activities

AAI is not a standalone therapy in itself, although animal contact alone has been proven to enhance wellbeing. The animal assists an individual to engage in therapeutic activities that have specific goals in mind; it could be physiotherapy or psychotherapy. The presence of the animal acts as a bridge or motivator for the individual to participate in therapy with a qualified professional.

Our alternative provision programme utilises the principles and practices of AAI to support, reengage, motivate and inspire our learners.





About



One size does not fit all

We recognise that traditional school or college does not work for everyone. That's why we offer a more personalised option

Person-centred

We believe that a flexible, relaxed approach makes it easier for our learners to engage in education and ultimately achieve their goals



Mental wellbeing

Our programme puts your mental health and wellbeing at the centre of your education





Our qualifications

Noah's ART Alternative Provision offers the chance to achieve a range of recognised ASDAN qualifications through practical, purposeful activities.

ASDAN's flexible Short Courses provide accreditation for 10 hours (one credit) to 60 hours (six credits) of activity and skills development.

Credits gained through Short Courses can count towards the ASDAN Personal Development Programmes and the Certificate of Personal Effectiveness (CoPE).



ASDAN's portfolio-based schemes enable you to receive accreditation for your daily practical activities at Noah's ART



Some of the Short Courses on offer



Animal Care

Get involved in caring for our therapy animals whilst earning ASDAN credits

Credits: 1-6



Gardening

Develop practical gardening skills, as well as personal, social and work-related skills

Credits: 1-6



Careers and Experiencing Work

Explore careers in animal care and beyond

Credits: 1-6



Enterprise

Plan, prepare and implement enterprising ideas

Credits: 1-6



Short Courses continued



Leadership

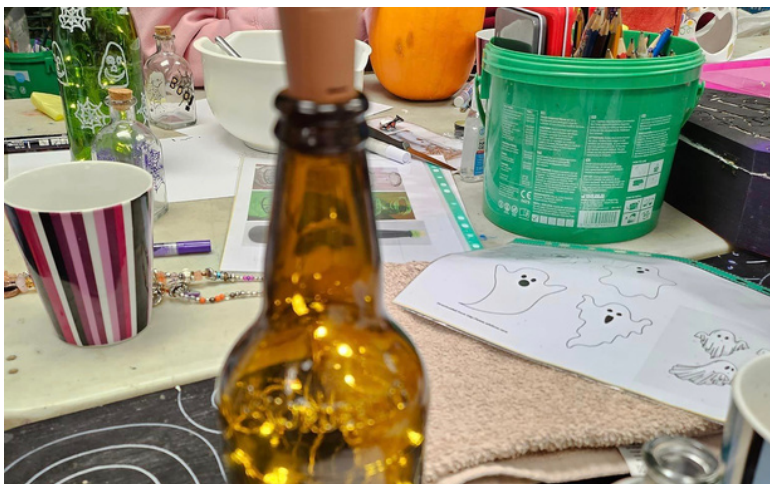
Take on a leadership role and responsibilities within our animal care team

Credits: 1-6

Volunteering

Volunteer with our teams and get recognised for your contribution

Credits: 1-6



Expressive Arts

Let our animals inspire you to develop your creative skills

Credits: 1-6



Introducing Pack Types

A truly unique aspect of our provision is the integral use of Pack Types as a key tool for self-development.

Packtypes Cards help you improve your relationships and performance by equipping you to recognise, value and respond to differences in yourself and other people. They are a valuable tool to help improve social literacy, providing a positive profiling tool.

Regular use of Pack Types profiling activities is built into your Personal Learning Plan





Activities



Interest Groups

Join one of our groups, or start your own. We can offer opportunities to take part in activities such as gaming, arts and crafts, photography, music and more. Join for fun, or use towards your ASDAN credits

Open events

We run regular open events to showcase your work to parents, carers, professionals, friends and family



Progress

Opportunities to access other Noah's ART services, including 1-1 therapy, volunteering, the dog cafe and more





Your attendance

We are open on Mondays and Fridays, term-time only. Our days run from 11am-3pm

You can attend for one or two days per week

We ask you to commit to at least one full term with us. However, part-term options are available should you need to start partway through a term

Although we aim for 100% attendance, we recognise that this isn't always possible. Flexibility is built into your learner agreement



Enrolment Pathway



Referral

Parents or professionals must complete our referral form, available from our website

Initial meeting

Come into our centre and meet our team and animals. Here we will complete your Personal Learning Plan (PLP), where we discuss your needs, goals, expectations, outcomes, hours, courses, days and start dates



Get involved

Work towards your chosen courses and personal goals. Engage in regular review sessions with the team



Referrals



How to refer

To make a referral, please download our referral form from our website, or contact us on:

admin@noahs-art.co.uk
0161 368 6544

www.noahs-art.co.uk/AP

Fees



- £125 per learner per day
- Learners can attend for up to two days per week
- We require an initial funding commitment of at least one term (13 weeks). It may be possible for learners to join us midway through a term
- We accept self-funded learners, EHCPs and school-based funding. Please contact us to discuss your requirements

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