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Case study: Childcare Works Project - Trainee Nursery Assistant Experience

Luke Roberts participated in NDNA Cymru's Childcare Works programme that was delivered in Conwy from January to November 2024.

The programme was funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and supported 14 Trainee Nursery Assistants, across two cohorts.

The trainees completed 4 weeks of training, followed by 12 weeks on placement in a childcare setting.

Meithrinfa Ty Bryn Nursery provided the 12 week work placement opportunity for Luke. This case study shares Luke's journey and experience of participating in the programme.



I have wanted a career in childcare for a while but didn't know where to start without qualifications. Then I saw the Childcare Works Project advertised on Indeed. I knew I had to apply, I was currently working as a Barista and wanted to leave a career in hospitality.

I feel I already knew a little bit of what a career in childcare would look like as my Mum works in the childcare sector.

I was given a place on the project and was quite nervous to start but I needn't have worried, everyone in the group was really nice and our tutor made us all feel at ease.

Lesley has been very helpful during my time at NDNA and after as well. Being very supportive and understanding when it came to my own personal disabilities and helping with finding extra work even after the course was finished.

All in all the course was very helpful and definitely helped get into child care which I have been struggling with for a few years. I'd highly recommend this to anyone and have already recommended to 2 friends looking to get into child care.

I thoroughly enjoyed my 12 weeks placement and soon knew I was bringing my bespoke qualities into the setting.

The placement had a vacancy and I was offered it! I am so happy at my nursery and its all thanks to the Childcare Works project.

Comment from Meithrinfa Ty Bryn Nursery

I think this project is a fantastic opportunity for young people and would definitely be interested in working with you again. You've been great and Luke has learnt so much during his time with us.

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