Early intervention for KS2 and KS3

Big Picture Doncaster is commissioned by the City of Doncaster Council as part of its early intervention strategy. Places are fully funded by the council.

We help young people who struggle with the challenges of transitioning to secondary school or maintaining a successful position in mainstream education. Our early intervention aims to prevent the need for more complex intervention at a later stage.

We offer bespoke learning packages for children in years 5 to 8, delivered through a relational approach that ensures a curriculum relevant to the learner while retaining challenge and rigour.

We work from design principles that we have in common with our Big Picture colleagues in the United States and around the globe:

- Learning must be based on each individual's interests and needs.
- The curriculum must be relevant to the learners and allow them to do real work in the real world.
- Learners' growth and abilities must be measured by the quality of their work and how it changes them.

Big Picture Doncaster has a success rate of over 90% of learners deemed to have made progress under local authority QA processes.

Schools we have worked with praise our intervention and involvement, and the impact on young people going on well beyond the end of a placement.

We offer:

- A highly personalised learning experience, defined by a personalised learning plan.
- A learning platform specifically designed for Big Picture Doncaster to support learners in different learning environments, which can also be accessed in school during and after the placement.
- A guiding partnership among learners, parents, advisors, mentors, local businesses, and the community where appropriate to learners' interest.
- A supportive learning environment, where learners are known and know one another well.
- Opportunities for all learners to present their work at exhibitions attended by friends, family, schools, and guests and global networks of other young people with shared interests.
- Support for workforce development for staff in schools as well as access to local and wider networks of advisors to discuss and refine best practice in supporting the cohort.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE

Early intervention

- 24 places for years 5 and 6
- 24 places for years 7 and 8

12 week placements for a maximum of two and a half days a week, further supplemented with follow up work in school where required

Transition support

• 80 outreach places to support year 6 children with transition in the Summer and Spring Term of 2025.

Weekly sessions delivered on a 1-2-1 basis, following a bespoke programme for each learner.

HOW TO APPLY

Intervention panel

Referrals go through City of Doncaster Council's inclusion panel.

Please contact us using the contact details below and we will guide you through the process.

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