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CHILDREN SERVICES YOUNG CARERS "TAKE CARE OF YOU"

YOUNG CARER FILM AND WEE NIGHT AT THE OSCARS

A new young carer awareness raising film, "Take Care of You" has now been completed.

This fictional film is based on the real-life experiences of our wee carers, young carers of primary school age. It tells the story of three children and how their caring roles impact them in different ways. Although each storyline is fictitious, this film is based on experiences and feelings bravely shared by the children involved in this project.

The film not only stars a number of our wee carers, but was also developed, written and filmed by them. An official launch took place at Ayr Town Hall called "A Wee Night at the Oscars" where the film was premiered and two wee carers hosting the evening. A Q&A session also took place with the children involved in the development of the film.

The event brought together young carers from throughout South Ayrshire, their families, representatives from a variety of organisations, and elected members to show their support for the work being done.

The film has been shared with pupils and staff in primary schools across South Ayrshire and provides a valuable training resource for staff. It has already helped many young people recognise they are caring for someone and has improved peer understanding.



"I think making the film was an amazing experience and I think that it can help other people recognise what a young carer is and what they do for their caring roles".

"It was a brilliant experience.

I loved making new friends and had so much fun".

