



South Ayrshire
**COMMUNITY
PLANNING**
Partnership



CHILDREN SERVICES PARTNERSHIP WORKING

There is an increasing number of young carers within South Ayrshire.

Due to limited resource and to encourage families and colleagues to engage our Young Carers Lead Officer has networked with local services and organisations to increase opportunities and support available for young carers. Strong partnerships have been established resulting in the following:-

- **University of West of Scotland (UWS)** : free 1-to-1 tutoring for young carers. Each pupil was matched with a student from UWS who liaised with class teacher and created fun and engaging sessions to support the pupil.
- **Ayr United** : this partnership has created lots of opportunities for young carers, including free tickets for families, season tickets, being a mascot, and football tournaments for young carers from across South Ayrshire.
- **South Ayrshire Council** : all young carers receive Activ8 membership providing free access to gym, swimming, golf, swimming/diving/gymnastics lessons. Under 8s can take an adult free of charge. Employability & Skills also have a dedicated team who track young carers through school/post-school, providing additional support when required.
- **Ayr Gaiety** : provide theatre/panto tickets for young carers and families.
- **Honeypot** : secured external funding to provide residentials and day trips.
- **Scottish Rowing** : facilitate weekly lessons on the River Ayr.
- **Alloway Tunnel Project** : have provided various opportunities for our young carers to be creative and contribute to the project.
- **The Iris** : support our young carers in film making, presenting and podcasting.

...and much more

