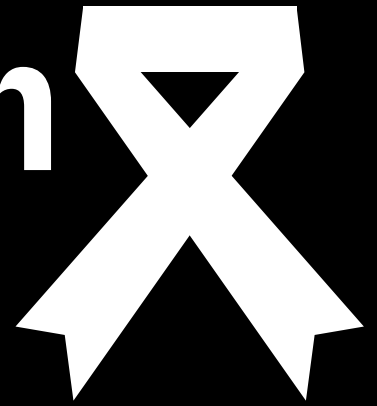


White Ribbon Day 2022



White Ribbon is the UK's leading charity engaging men and boys to end violence against women and girls.



Date: Friday 25th November 2022

Time: 9:30am-2:30pm

**Location: Swansea Grand Theatre,
Multicultural Hub**

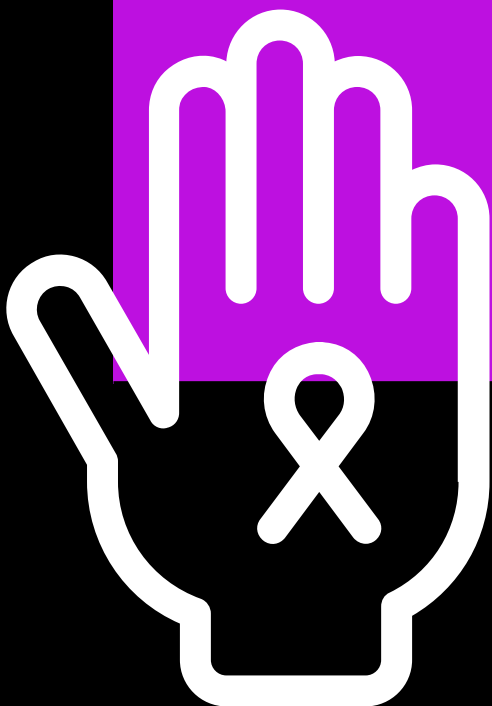
Staff Members: Carys Jones, Beth Thomas, Emily Bollington

Schools Attended: Pontarddulais Comprehensive School, Ysgol Gyfun Gwyr, Ysgol Bryn Tawe, Gowerton Comprehensive School

Number of Young People: 14 Number of Teachers: 4

Aims and Objectives:

- To give Young People the opportunity to discuss with others what we can do to end violence against women.
- Discuss Safe and Unsafe Spaces
- Break down Barriers of Domestic Violence
- Look at what makes us us
- Creative time to create a piece of work based on the days discussions.



Session Plan

● Opinion Line

- Everyone Has the Right to be Safe
- Only women are victims of Domestic Violence
- Violence against women is not a problem in the UK.
- Women are at more risk of physical harm than men
- Girls who flirt or get drunk are 'asking for it'
- Everyone who is a victim of Sexual Assault Reports it?

Stats to be included and discussed to go with statements.

● Carouselle

- Where we feel Safe
- Where we feel unsafe
- What makes us feel unsafe
- Key issues
- What needs to be done, How do we do this/what do we need to do to achieve this/who needs to lead on this?

● Break

- Time to grab a cuppa and chat to the other Young People in attendance

● Create

- Opportunity to get creative-Exploring Identity, Thoughts and Gender.
- Creative stations and free spaces for Young People to decide what they want to do

● Lunch

- Time to refuel, food to be purchased from a local business that has recently been subject to racial abuse.

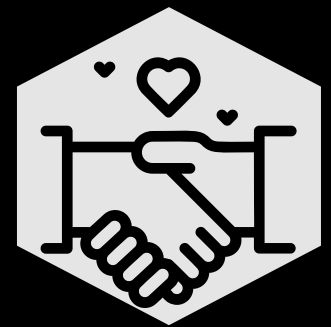
● Showcase

- Time for the Young People to show case their work

● Evaluation

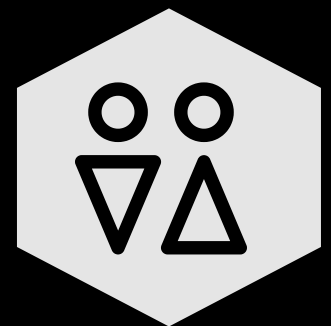
Key Issues

- Bigoted Behaviour
- Insensitive Jokes
- Harmful Stereotypes
- Not knowing where to seek help
- Not Understanding Consent
- Cultural and Religious Barriers
- Lack of communication
- Stigma
- Not feeling safe to report it



What needs to be done?

- Education needs to be better
- Appropriate punishments given
- Raising awareness sessions
- Conversations around banter
- Increase gender inclusivity
- Understanding consent e.g just because you're in a relationship doesn't mean consent is automatically given.
- More exposure to damaging stereotypes



Where we feel safe



When I'm Exercising

Releases
Endorphins



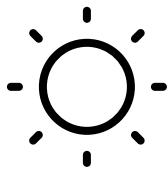
In Nature

Peaceful and
Tranquil-No
Judgements



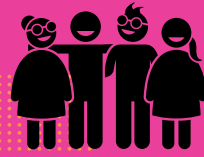
At home

With my family
and pets



In Daylight

When it's light
outside



With Friends

Because you feel
comfortable
with them



At the Beach

Relaxing and
Serene



At School

Teachers are
there to help



At Clubs

There's no
judgement-I
can be myself



Lush-Shop

The staff are
all lovely in
there

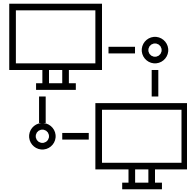
"I feel safe in places I
can be myself,
without judgement"

Where we feel unsafe



In the Gym

Objectifying
Stares, Feels
Unsafe



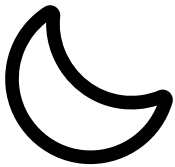
Online

Online Trolls



Public Transport

Because of
Strangers



In the dark

Makes you feel
on edge when
you can't see



Night time economy

Use of Drugs and
Alcohol



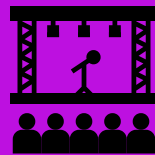
Unfamiliar Places

Don't know your
surroundings



At School

Misogynistic
behaviour by
some boys



Festivals

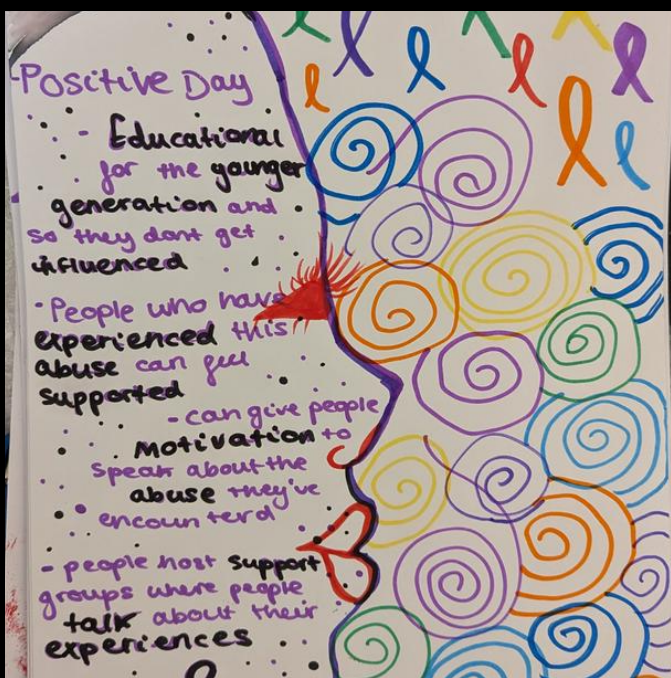
Past
experiences of
spiking



Walking Alone

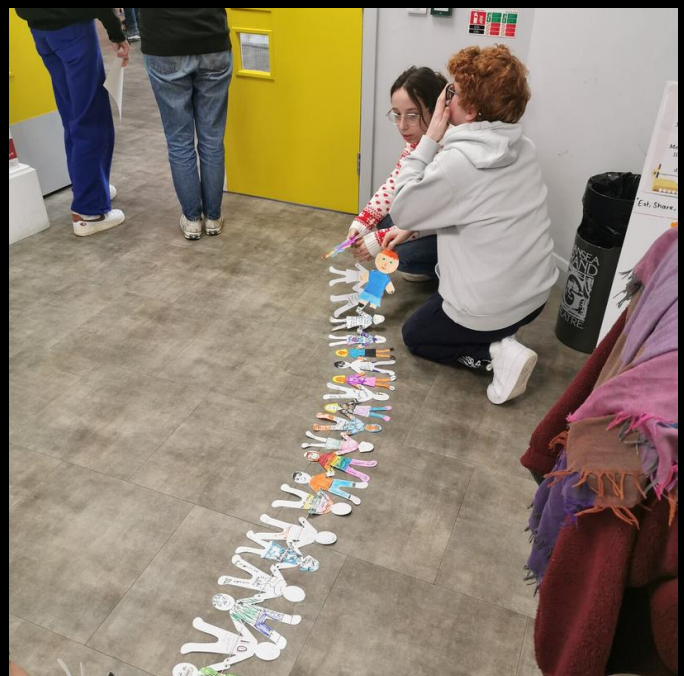
Cat Calling

"I'm afraid that if I
speak out that I won't
be believed"



Silhouette
Portrait filled
with
thoughts,
ideas, quotes,
feelings etc

What Makes
Us?
Designing a
figure about
who you are.
What makes
you, you?



Mural
Painting.
Using an old
sheet the YP
created a
mural about
Domestic
Abuse

WHAT WENT WELL?

The fun activities & The Food

Really inclusive and educational, given us a place to express our opinions without the fear of judgment.

was a good experience and gave me the opportunity to hear other people's opinions and thoughts.

* Friendly staff and listened to pupil voice.

* First task ✓

What Went Well?

- *The activities
- *Educational
- *Inclusive
- *We were listened to
- *Hearing others opinions

Even better if....

- *More group discussions
- *Discuss what's happening in schools
- *More facts

EVEN BETTER IF.....

More Food!!

More creative freedom

more group discussions and change to talk with devs!!

↳ more facts / information

↳ more activities like the start.

↳ Majority of events / tasks focused on what students already knew. Would be good to take away new information.

↳ Tasks were very long, maybe shorter more structured tasks.

↳ Could discuss what is happening in

BIGGEST TAKE AWAY FROM TODAY....

That there is a Community looking out for people!

THE FOOD

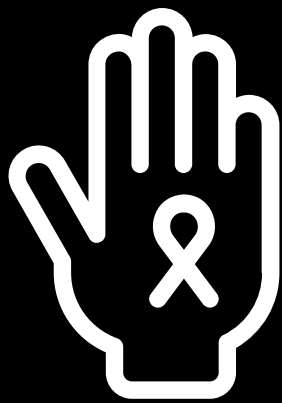
the ability to discuss important topics with others in a mature and reasonable way.

That young people do have a new and interesting ~~voice~~ opinions and solutions.

↳ good to work with other schools.

Biggest Takeaway ...

- *The ability to discuss important topics
- *There is a community looking out for you
- *YP have solutions and ideas



Next Steps

- **Feedback to relevant groups and teams within and outside of the Local Authority**
- **Continue to work with schools to look at what they are doing to tackle Domestic Abuse.**
- **Opportunities for further discussions with Young People.**
- **More opportunities for Young People to mix with others.**
- **Ensure Young people have opportunities to talk to those who make decisions.**

