



#### WE'RE HIRING

CLAY's application for funding for a new role of Employability Worker was recently approved by City of Dublin Youth Service Board This is an exciting new venture for CLAY as it develops a new service for the benefit of young people.

Advancing Youth

Crumlin Lower

The Employability worker will work 10 hours a week in CLAY throughout 2017. This person will work with the young people in CLAY and within the Crumlin Community to assist them in their quest to find suitable employment, education or training opportunities when they finish school. So watch this space and you will find out more about this early in 2017.

CLAY had a very special visitor this week. He didn't stay for long but he had enough time to meet the Young People from Rutland Grove and from CLAY.

"The Young People I met in CLAY were just the greatest. I wish them all a Merry Christmas" - Santa Claus



## **On Your Bike!**

The residents of Rutland Grove had a family fun weekend over the summer. The CLAY Youth Workers and Young people attended this and painted the faces of the young people and provided ice creams for all. Ray Grogan from the Residents' Association is also a leader in Sundrive Track Team and a lot of CLAY young people have been training with Ray on the Velodrome in Eamonn Ceannt Park.

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# Say what ...?

### **CLAY gets mentioned in a Dail Committee**

Last year saw our first scholarship student from CLAY (Ashley) attending Griffith College. This has been a great success and Griffith College are willing to support a CLAY young person every year from now on. This is an amazing opportunity for a CLAY young person to attend such a fantastic third level college as GCD. The new Programmes Subgroup will be selecting which CLAY young person will go forward for this scholarship.

Also, over the summer, a group of students from private colleges including GCD, went before The Joint Oireachtas Committee on Education and Skills. They were part of the "Wake up SUSI" campaign which is trying to get SUSI grant eligibility for students attending private colleges. The presentation went very well and CLAY was mentioned twice in the course of discussions. This is a first for CLAY.

## **Our Values represented by CLAY Young People**



## **Board Buzz**

#### **New Sub Groups**

A new board subgroup was created to oversee CLAY's Youth work activities. The subgroup has members of the board, representatives from the community, CLAY young people and other members of CLAY involved in planning the youth work of CLAY. Chaired by Lorraine, the first Sub group meeting was held last month and was very energetic and constructive, boding well for the future. A new Policy and Governance Sub Group will start up early in the new year (More information to follow).

#### **Leavers and Joiners**

Maurizio resigned as a director of CLAY as he is heading back to Italy to a new job. Thanks Maurizio for your contribution to CLAY.

Welcome to Ray, Caroline, Aaron, Steve and Nelson who have joined the CLAY Sub Groups. It is great to have such motivated and enthusiastic people working to help CLAY

We are delighted to have Ashley and Charlene representing the CLAY Young People on the Programmes Sub Group