**Vocational Education in School - Case Study**

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| School | Garnock Community Campus |

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| Is there a name for your project | Skills for Work Early Education and Childcare |
| How does it operate | Embedded in the school curriculum as an option in the senior phase, delivered 6 periods per week. |
| What are the main employability outcomes | All skills for work courses have employability as un underlying and assessable theme. They focus not only on the soft/ transferrable/essential skills but also look at sector specific skills and qualities. |
| What is/are the qualification/s offered | SfW Early Education and Childcare NAT5 and NAT 4 |
| Who delivers the training/assessment | Delivered by school teaching staff.  Assessment is per SQA requirements internal unit assessments and NAT 4 and NAT 5 subject to the usual verification procedures. |
| What are the young people saying about the programme | “Really good course that helped me structure my future goals and identify my strengths and key skills.”  “Excellent introduction to the Early Education and Childcare sector. My experience of the course has helped support me into a career in the care sector as a nurse. “  “The course really helped me decide that I wanted to work with Children and I was able to use the things I had learned as part of my application form and interview answers for an apprenticeship. “ |
| Who are the main target group (if any) | NAT 4/5 is aimed at any pupils with an interest in working with children, especially in nursery or early years.  Good introduction for potential teachers/social care as gives a wide area of basic information.  Also useful for any care minded careers due to the nature of the course. |
| Other information of interest | The school offers progressions to Higher Childcare and Development in S6 and has a very good record of pupils who pass the Skills for Work courses successfully progressing onto courses of further study at college or into apprenticeships in the childcare sector. |