

DYSLEXIA SCOTLAND SUPPORT PUPILS TO IDENTIFY THEIR 'DYSLEXIC STRENGTHS'

What links Formula 1 legend Sir Jackie Stewart, British Fencing Champion Keith Cook and Scotland Footballer Steven Naismith?

Well, for one thing, they have all received an exclusive Dyslexia Scotland Christmas card designed by young people from Clackmannanshire Secondary School's Support Services in Alloa. Every year Dyslexia Scotland sends a Christmas card to its high profile President, ambassadors, funders and other partners designed by dyslexic young Scottish people and artists, to highlight the creative talents that dyslexia can bring, as well as having a unique set of cards to 'wow' their partners with.



Thanks to DYW Forth Valley, a link was made with Clackmannanshire's Secondary School Support Service whose talented young artists got the chance to collaborate with local designer, Lindsey Scott, to make a set of original designs. As an artist with Dyslexia, Lindsey was very keen to support these young people through the creative process. The young people themselves each received a pack of their designs to share with friends and family, or keep as an impressive portfolio piece.

"We're thrilled with the creative, witty and colourful Christmas card designs made by young people from Clackmannanshire. Art and design are often dyslexic strengths and a great way for young dyslexic people to express themselves, as well as develop essential creative thinking skills needed for the future world of work. We're very grateful to Developing Young Workforce Forth Valley for connecting us with a local school willing to get involved with the project, and to the artist Lindsey Scott for sharing her skills with the group."

KATIE CARMICHAEL, DYSLEXIA SCOTLAND'S CAREER COACH

"Having opportunities for young people with dyslexia to work with businesses in projects such as this one are so important, it allows them to work together to promote the value of dyslexic strengths in the workplace and demonstrate to an employer what an asset they can be to their business."

MICHELLE CARR, DYW PROGRAMME COORDINATOR



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