



# INTERNSHIP

## Prospectus

A YEAR TO CHANGE LIVES, DEVELOP  
YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND  
GROW IN YOUR FAITH

For people aged 18-25

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# Welcome

Ykids was founded out of a passion to see the lives of children and young people transformed by the love of Jesus. Growing up in broken and dysfunctional family myself, I discovered the love of Jesus at 15 and it turned my world upside down.

As a young Christian trying to find my way I met a pastor who believed in me. He gave me the opportunity to lead, make mistakes and try again. He gave me wings. Ever since, I have understood the value of giving young people the opportunity to lead, experiment, and try new things in an environment that believes in them and encourages them to grow.

Ykids has been running an intern programme now for over 15 years and many of our interns have gone on to be youth workers, teachers and pastors. One was even called to open her own cafe, which after a number of years she did!

So if you are serious about wanting to give a year of your life to serving others, growing in faith and skills, and discovering the heart of God - why not give it a try and see where He takes you?

# Who

# Are

# Ykids?

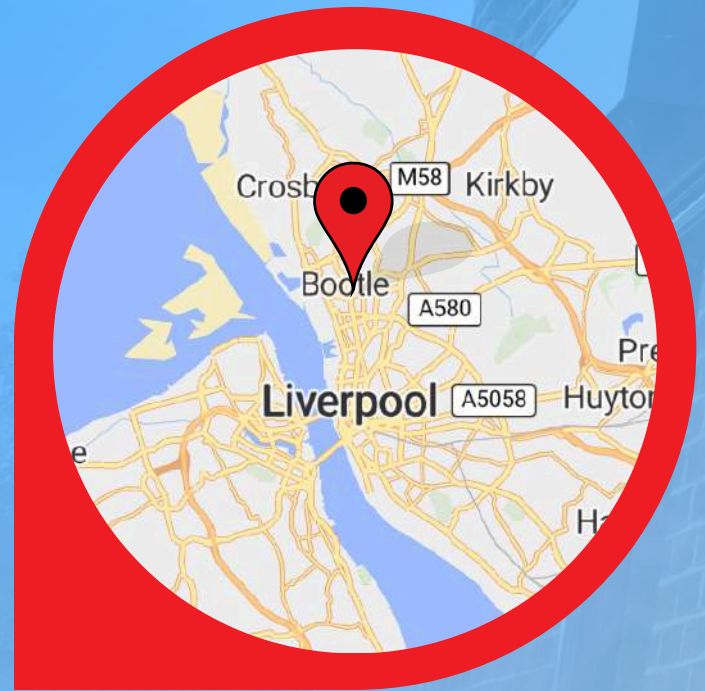


Our mission is to bring hope, love, joy and opportunities in the lives of children and young people to help them discover that they can have life and purpose in God's kingdom.

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to check out our  
website!



Ykids is a charity based in Bootle, seeking to improve the lives of children and young people living in some of Merseyside's poorest communities. Our mission is to raise 'World Changers'; young people who, despite their circumstances, have become emotionally resilient, have self-belief and a hope for their future.



The need in our local area is huge. We are ranked in the bottom 1 and 2% of most deprived communities in the UK, with high levels of gang-related crime, drug use, violence and poverty. Literacy and attainment are poor with 87% of children failing to gain the national standard for Maths and English at GCSE.

# Faith Work

Families Work

Training

Schools Work

Community Events

Wellbeing

Kingsley & Co

# Youth & Childrens Work



# What is a Ykids Internship?

An internship with Ykids is an opportunity to serve God, grow in faith and develop your leadership skills. Ykids offers a huge variety of faith based and community opportunities from small group work to large scale events, schools work to mission and outreach. No two weeks are ever the same!

We work over 2 main sites, our main base which is a former library and Kingsley and Co, our Steampunk Explorer themed Children's bookshop and literacy project in the local shopping centre. We also use many other venues across Bootle and the City.

Ykids is fast paced and fun, and because we do so many things there is a place for everyone to use their knowledge, develop new skills and space and opportunity to try things out in a supportive and encouraging atmosphere. We expect you to make mistakes - that is how we learn!

So if you are passionate about children and young people coming to know Jesus, and real and lasting community transformation, this could be the year for you!

## How does the internship work?

- Dates :** Early Sept to Mid/late August
- Cost:** Free - in fact we give you pocket money and cover all your transport, training and uniform costs!
- Full time:** This is a year out for you to focus on your faith, development and calling.
- Holidays:** 20 days holiday and bank holidays

For more information about what our internship offers see page 13

# A Typical Year at Ykids

**September:** Team residential, training and term planning

**October:** Term 1: Groups start schools work, outreach, half term events and trips

**November:** Groups and activities and the Bootle Children's Literary Festival

**December:** Christmas events, parties and activities. Christmas Outreach

**January:** Team training, regrouping, planning

**February:** Term 2: All groups and activities start up again, half term events.

**March:** Groups and activities and outreach events

**April:** Easter holiday programme and events

**May:** Term 3 activities and events

**June:** Groups and activities, year 6 Transition workshops at Liverpool Cathedral, the Believe Awards

**July:** Group programmes finish, summer programme begins

**August:** 2 week summer festival, Faith camps, full summer programme



# The Curriculum

The curriculum is designed to enable Interns to grow in their faith and confidence, develop knowledge and skills, and broaden experiences. This is a rough guide to what might be achieved each term, however each programme is tailored to the individual, so we can encourage those who are just starting out but also challenge those who have some experience.

<b>Term 1: Faith</b>	<b>Term 1: Professional</b>
Attend ministry training to develop the gifts God has given you	Go away on a Ykids training residential and receive on going training
Serve at our monthly youth evangelism event reaching over 70 young people	Be staff on a Youth & Children's delivery programme
Attend Monday morning staff prayer and bible study meetings	Be a part of school assemblies
Attend weekly Intern time designed for you to spend time with God as a group, Listen to guest speaker and receive faith based training.	Work one day a week in our magical children's book/coffee shop
Receive Bible study training	Get involved with our families work and community pantry
By the end of the term, you will lead a group of staff in a bible devotion	By the end of the term you will be given responsibility over an aspect of a Youth and Children's project.



# The Curriculum

Throughout the course of the year you will commit time to developing both in a faith based and professional capacity. Opportunities outlined in the curriculum for each term will build on prior and newly gained experience that prepares you for end of term goals and achievements. Both aspects of training equip you in championing change within the community.

<b>Term 2: Faith</b>	<b>Term 2: Professional</b>
<b>Public speaking training</b>	<b>Plan and deliver a Ykids session</b>
<b>Testimony writing workshops</b>	<b>You will complete fundraising and bid writing training</b>
<b>Lead an area of our monthly youth evangelism event</b>	<b>Be competent in evaluating sessions and uploading all data onto our data processing software</b>
<b>Go into a church to share about Ykids</b>	<b>Lead a consultation with young people to identify a need for a future Ykids project</b>
<b>Create a termly newsletter that will be shared with your church about what you have been up to in your internship</b>	<b>Ongoing Ykids training</b>
<b>By the end of the term, you will speak at our monthly youth evangelism event in front of over 70 young people</b>	<b>By the end of the term you will be able to plan a Ykids project</b>

# The Curriculum

The Ykids internship is bespoke to each intern. There is a broad programme which the curriculum highlights but it is down to the individual intern to choose their path. Previous interns have focused on such things as: children's work, film and media, and much more. The programme is designed to help you discover your giftings and grow in those areas.

<b>Term 3: Faith</b>	<b>Term 3: Professional</b>
<b>Plan &amp; Deliver a Monday Night Live event.</b>	<b>Write and submit a funding bid</b>
<b>Plan &amp; deliver a youth discipleship session for a group of around 15 young people</b>	<b>Write a risk assessment for a session or project</b>
<b>Lead a youth prayer evening</b>	<b>Create and write a project plan</b>
<b>Serve at primary transition workshops and assemblies at the Liverpool Cathedral with over 1000 kids</b>	<b>Run 1-to-1 sessions with a young person in a mentoring capacity</b>
<b>Facilitate a youth bible study group</b>	<b>Lead staff team on a project</b>
<b>By the end of the term, you will serve on team at a summer faith residential with a variety of responsibilities</b>	<b>By the end of the term you will lead your own Ykids project</b>

# The Arts Award

Interns here at Ykids have the option to complete their Arts Award while on their internship. The Arts Award is the equivalent of an Alevel and is worth 16 UCAS points.

*Arts Award takes children and young people on a creative journey, exploring the arts world, discovering their potential as artists, developing leadership skills – and gaining a recognised qualification along the way.*

*Open to anyone aged 25 or under, this unique set of arts qualifications builds skills essential for success in the 21st century. Creativity and communication, along with problem-solving, reflective-thinking and confidence.*

*Young people can achieve Arts Award in any art form, from music to mime, poetry to pottery, dance to drumming.*

Head to the  
Arts Award website  
for more  
information



# Stories From Previous Interns



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interns

*I got the opportunity to be involved in a wide variety of activities, at Ykids. I started off by helping with Juniors and during Covid-19 I led online sessions and ran games and craft activities. I supported Friday Football which was a challenge but it grew my confidence. One of my highlights was helping out in the Pantry. I loved building good relationships and supporting parents. Intern time deepened my relationship with God; we would worship God, and pray for each other. The internship made me realise how much I love working with children and as a result I went to Camp America to work as a counsellor at a Christian summer camp.*

*I have now completed a degree in Criminology. I am an active member of the Christian Union, which has further developed my faith.*



**Rachael Frackelton Intern 2020-2021**

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*I got involved with Ykids through my youth group. We were invited to join them at a Christian festival called DTI. On this trip I got to know the intern leaders and a few of the youth they work with. In this time away I was deeply inspired by the passion and faith of the leaders and hearing about the variety of work they do back at Ykids; I decided to apply! Since then my confidence has grown exponentially both in the work place and with youth and children's work. My faith has also grown much deeper from the intern times we have on a Friday where we worship, pray for each other and dive deep into scripture which is incredibly soul feeding! I'm now running a worship ministry band with a fellow intern which I would never have dreamed of doing prior to this internship! There's never a day that's the same here, the team is really supportive and wouldn't ask you to do something if they didn't think you could do it already. If your looking to grow in confidence, faith and gain workplace experience then this is the place to be!*



**Oliver Turner - Bone Intern 2023 -2024**

# You'll Have Our Support

We believe in supporting our Interns to thrive and have a life changing year. That is why along with our Internship being free we include these benefits.



**£50 a week allowance**



**1 Year bus pass**



**Accommodation contacts**

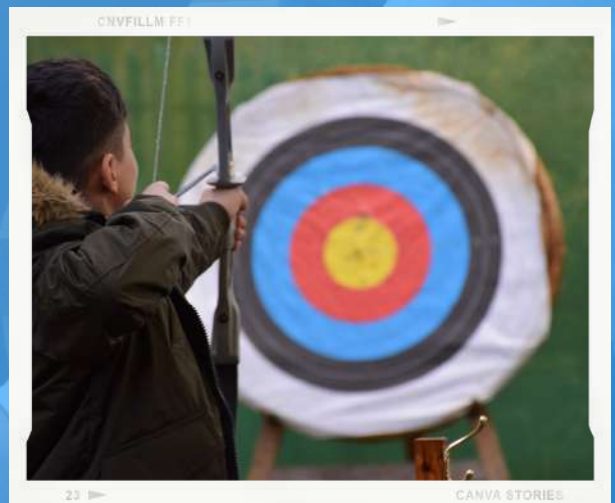
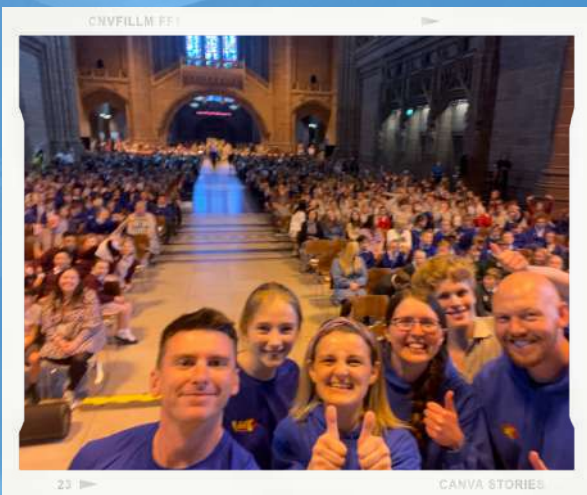
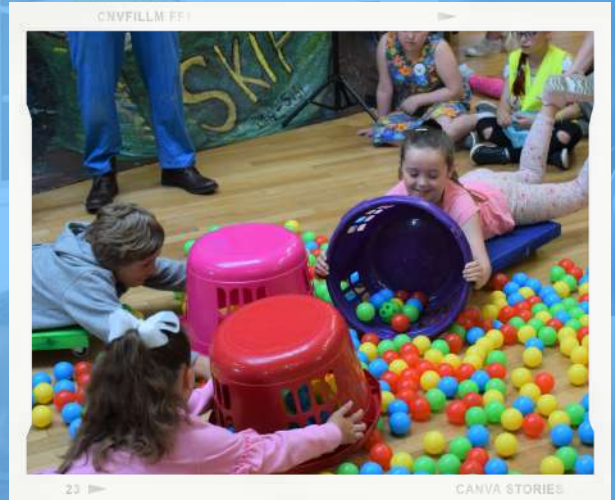


**Training opportunities**



**Staff Residentials & wellbeing days**

# A Year Like No Other!



# Closing Message From Intern Leads

*We hope you have enjoyed reading through the Internship prospectus and that it gives you a good idea of what an Internship with Ykids might look like.*

*Of all the incredible things we do at Ykids, leading the internship programme is such an honour and privilege which brings us so much joy. We have seen some amazing young people journey through the internship programme. We have seen them grow not only in skills and confidence, but also in their relationship with Jesus. Being a part of young people discovering what God has in store for them is a true blessing for us. If you are considering applying for the Ykids internship we encourage you to do so. We have seen time and time again that when we step out in faith God always meets us and walks with us through life's greatest adventure. A life following the call of God on our lives.*

*Many Blessings,*



# Application



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application form

Or head to our website to apply  
**[Ykids.co.uk/faith](https://Ykids.co.uk/faith)**

Or for any enquires regarding the Ykids Internship Programme or  
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email us at [Internship@ykids.co.uk](mailto:Internship@ykids.co.uk)  
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