



Alternative Provision

POSITIVE  
EXPRESSIONS



*Planting positive seeds is not enough, at Positive Expressions we want to create the best environment we can to help those seeds grow and flourish into what they were meant to be.*

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## Introduction

Positive Expressions is an alternative provision based in Stevenage, Hertfordshire. We have created a safe environment where our young people can come and learn, enjoy, and grow in a creative and innovative setting. Our site has experienced, enhanced DBS-checked mentors to support our young people's development. Each 3-hour session will be a mix of functional skills English & Maths, online skills for life courses via AQA's Unt Award Scheme (UAS), class-based life and social skills, and in-person guest speakers to support getting work ready. Then our young people can develop on our in-house music program. Our young people can learn to DJ, MC, create their own music and lyrics and much more. Our timetable is designed to help with transferable skills, so whichever choices our young people make in their futures, this will help.



## Journey

I have supported young people in one way or another for the last 26 years and have loved every minute. I have worked with some of the most inspiring and uplifting young people who helped me to grow. Now is the time that I draw upon my considerable experiences and knowledge in this field to deliver something special for our most vulnerable and challenging groups. I have chosen to use music as the mechanism and catalyst for change.



## What We Offer:

- Functional skills English & Maths
- AQA unit award scheme
- Duke Of Edinburgh Bronze course
- Mentoring and support work
- Music program to learn how to DJ and MC
- Opportunities for community engagement
- Life and social skills development
- Weekly reporting to parent/guardian and referring professional.
- External speakers for real-life development
- Daily enrichment activities (gym, bowling, golf etc)

## The Why

The main reason that I choose to set this up is that there are growing numbers of young people who are not engaging in suitable and appropriate provisions. I have supported and mentored some wonderful young people who do not fit the mould for existing provisions. I feel very passionate about creating opportunities for growth and this is what this provision is aimed at doing.



*My son is a changed boy since he started with PE. He is so happy and motivated to attend which is new for him. There are so many positives. PE is helping him to push himself and I can't praise the team highly enough for what they have done for my son. He is more present now and his outlook on life is so positive, I'm really proud of him.*

*Parent feedback  
January 2025*

*Parent Feedback  
March 2025*

*The team is amazing. Kind, funny, nurturing, intuitive, and adaptable. You noticed things on day 1 that were never noticed in a school environment. You can read my son's nonverbal language as well as his verbal and, therefore, have been able to support him and make him feel safe. He felt like he belonged somewhere for the first time in years, and when he told me he was pleased the other day, my heart nearly burst. Finding Positive Expressions is genuinely better than winning the lottery. I don't have the words to say how awesome you are and what a difference it is making to the whole family to know he's feeling valued and has some purpose back.*

*Working with Paul and his team has been an amazing opportunity for my son. Their help and guidance have made a big difference in my child's life. A child who was lost and lost faith in adults who had previously let him down. They not only encouraged and supported my son, they also helped support me at home, getting involved in meetings and generally being available for any questions I had. The cooperation, openness, and no preconceptions made it easy for my son to feel like he had a fresh start. I couldn't recommend or give higher praise to this group of remarkable people for what they're doing and have done for me and my family.*

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