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Working towards



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*A has started doing much more on her own at home - it's incredible how much she has improved since coming to College*

*Parent, July 2010*

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## Pre-Entry Course



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Bridge College is part of the Together Trust, a charity that has been operating for over 140 years. We believe that everyone deserves an equal chance in life and everyone has the ability and right to experience joy, safety, happiness and hope. By providing specialist education, care and community services to children, young people and adults the Together Trust aims to do everything in its power to make that happen.



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### Pre-Entry Course

Bridge College's Pre-Entry Course aims to meet the needs of young people with complex needs who wish to develop their independence skills and progress to another course, training or supported employment.

#### Specific aims of the course include:

- Developing effective communication skills and strategies
- Developing skills for life and living
- Experiencing and developing skills for the world of work
- Developing skills for making choices and expressing preferences – especially in relation to future education and lifestyle options.

#### Activities at Bridge College include:

- Citizenship
- Communication skills
- Community based activities
- Healthy living
- ICT
- Numeracy
- Sport and leisure
- Work experience
- Enterprise
- Drama
- Dance
- Music
- Art
- Gardening
- Women's group
- Men's group
- Enrichment

**Every student has an Individual Learning Programme (ILP) that is designed to meet their needs.**

### Enrichment activities

A big part of college life is having the opportunity to try new things and encounter new experiences. Every student has the opportunity to go on a residential where they can try activities such as archery, climbing, kayaking and orienteering.

There are lots of social events (e.g. discos, cultural celebrations etc.) that take place every term as well as sporting events, lunchtime clubs and educational visits.

### What help do I get as a student?

Every student at Bridge College has a personal tutor who will agree an Individual Learning Plan with you. Programmes are designed to meet your needs and fulfil your aspirations. Support workers are available to help you with your learning and personal needs both in college and in the community.

Bridge College also has a specialist therapy team that will support you with daily living activities, keeping fit and healthy and improving your communication skills. There is also a college nurse who can help with your health and wellbeing.

### What do I get at the end of the course?

- **Progress file** – this contains information about everything you have experienced and achieved during your time at Bridge College.
- **Talking photograph album** – a reminder of all the things you done, the friends you have made and all of your achievements.
- **Certificates** – special achievements are awarded by the college and/or an external awarding body.
- **Lots of help** – we want you to make a successful transition to wherever you are going next.