



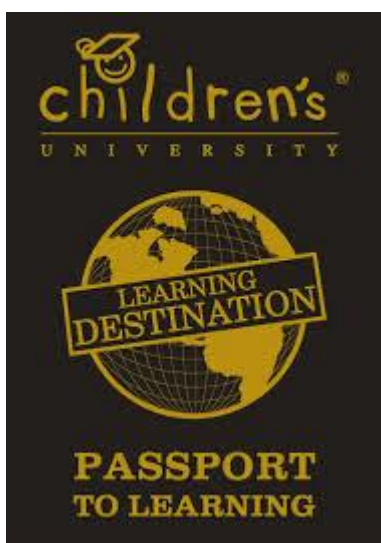
What is the Children's University?

Children's University provides an accreditation framework for learning outside of school hours. Credits are given for taking part in activities on school sites (such as breakfast clubs, after school clubs or lunch time activity) and in other places where learning takes place such as museums, parks and community organisations. The learning need not be purely academic; often it is about building skills.

The Children's University aims to promote social mobility by providing high quality, exciting and innovative learning activities and experiences outside normal school hours to children aged 7 to 14 (and 5 and 6 year olds with their families) and engaging the wider communities as learning partners in this process. A fundamental principle is that participation is voluntary, enabling children to explore different learning environments. Our aim is to raise aspiration, boost achievement and encourage a love of learning. **Above all, it should be fun!**

How does the Children's University work?

Each child has a Passport to Learning where s/he collects the credits for learning for which they achieve certification at various levels. **30** hours of learning would achieve the Bronze award, **65** hours Silver award and **100** hours the Gold award. There are more levels too. Achievement is recognised and celebrated at graduation ceremonies, normally held at Queen Margaret University campus in Edinburgh once a year.



What are Learning Destinations?

Learning destinations are places and organisations which children can "travel" to with their Passport to Learning. These locations provide high quality learning activities and experiences, which are validated through the Children's University's own quality assurance. Learning Destinations display the CU's learning Destination poster and logo, so that children can use their Passport

No cost to the Club / Organisation to join.

Kids do not have to do any extra work if they are already in a club or organisation.

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Queen Margaret Children's University film:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qr_bHaHTYKA

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