

# MoMo Nele

#### Welcome to the fifth edition of YoMo NeLe!

Around this time of year, YoMo is hard at work preparing for the Summer Programme. As the country opens back up, we are looking forward to 7 weeks of fun group activities. See the last page for more info!

To start off this issue, we'll be looking at the story of Saltire Award-winning volunteer Aidan, who was interviewed by Natalie, the staff member who worked with him as part of the Tanny Event crew!

This year YoMo volunteer Aidan was nominated for a Young Scot Award for all his volunteering efforts within his community of Ferguslie. Here is Aidan's story on why he within his community during the 2020 lockdown.



Aidan first began volunteering at the age of 15. He said "My friend's Dad at the time was starting a bike group, which involved collecting bikes, doing them up and teaching children how to fix them."

This group ended up growing into the charity organisation Own Yer Bike.

Across all the volunteering he has done since then, Aidan claims his favourite experience is just getting involved in Ferguslie's local groups and helping them in some way.

He said "Whether it was a litter pick down the green or helping at a foam party, it has all been such an amazing experience."

While the lockdown made things tough for his mental health, Aidan continued volunteering, a decision he claims helped him through the hard times.

He said "I helped with the Darkwood Crews' Bingo Bus, and 3 nights a week I would go on a Co-Op and Greggs run to collect surplus food to give out to people.

"As far as his advice to other young people who have an interest in volunteering, Aidan says do it! "It is such a great thing to do, I honestly can't recommend it enough."



### 1. Game Of Thrones Even though the last season was quite a bore and some things didn't make sense, the other seasons were pretty good and the story of every character and their motive was excellent. By the end, you weren't sure who you wanted sitting on the throne. 2. Death Note Now if you experienced the awful Americanised Netflix Movie were they got every character wrong and the motive of Light Yagami very very wrong then can I introduce you to the Anime as Light Yagami's motive was to become a god of a new world through justice and a name to be feared that is Kira which led him down a very villainous path with a Shinigami named Ryuk with his Death Note. This show is very dark but is also a mystery as well for you to see if the task force that was set up by L to catch Kira who's been by their side this entire time. 3. Bleach This show is for people that love sword fights, Death Gods and demon like Hollows, Ichigo Kurosaki and his group of friends experience one big battle after the other. Going to Soul Society to save a friend from execution by giving partial of her powers to Ichigo, then to Hueco Mundo to save another friend that was captured by the big bad Aizen for her powers to reverse time and then finally have a duel with Aizen to save the world and Soul Society as well. 4. Teen Wolf This is for the people that like Werewolves and other myths, you follow Scott McCall as he struggles in his journey by being a werewolf and having fights with the werewolf that has bitten him. You'll see monsters that you probably haven't experienced or heard of before so this show is a perfect start if you want to learn more about mythological monsters. 5. One Piece This show is pretty great as you'll follow the Straw Hats on their adventures to find the legendary treasure known only as "One Piece" discovering new enemies and allies through every island and country that they visit. You'll see these characters grow in every arc as this show has been going for 20 years with over 900 episodes and showing no sign of slowing down.

## HOMESCHOOLING-Q&A

#### **By Lyndsey**

Home education, or homeschooling, has become quite well known during the past two years.

Although homeschooling is basically what most kids did during the lockdowns, it's very different from home education.

A lot of people can't wrap their heads around the logic of home education, they think that there are too many flaws and wonder "why can't the kids just be sent to school?"

So as somebody who is home educated, I will be answering the most common questions about the lifestyle, no matter how daft they seem.

#### #1 What time do you wake up?

Anytime after school starts, some families wake up earlier, though.

#### #3 Who teaches you?

Ourselves and the rest of the world. Again, we don't have set teachers for the year, so we learn from everyone. Whether it's a life story, an actual lesson we're to sit down for or just fun fact's somebody says. No matter the age, we all learn from each other.

#### #5 What subjects do you study and when?

We cover the basics such as English and Maths, but we also cover a lot of the art's like drama, painting and music. Any subject we're curious about, we can go study. We don't have a set curriculum, so we can study whenever we want!

#### #7 What's your social life like?

Unlike what everyone tells you, we actually have a pretty good social life. I'm willing to say that we have a more diverse social life compared to school-kids. We can go to clubs (not the dancing kind), meet other home educated kids, volunteer, go to events, etc. Anything you can think of, really.

## #9 Do you have standardized tests?

No, we don't. Depending on what subjects we're into at the time, we can talk to our parents or work on projects to show what we've learned.

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#### #2 Where do you go to learn?

Anywhere and everywhere. We're not confined to the four walls of a classroom for most of the day. We can choose to stay inside, but we can also go on walks, climb a hill, go to the beach, etc. You can always learn something anywhere you go, even just going on a tenminute walk around where you live!

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#4 Have you / would you ever go to school? Never went, never will. The only chance you'd have for me to go to school is if Hogwarts was accepting new students, hehe.

#6 What's your favourite subject? My favourites are music, art and history!

#### #8 How do exams work?

While we don't have to take them, if we want to, we can go out to centres, schools or colleges to take them. Obviously we need to study for them, so we can do that online or take classes to prepare for them.

#10 Will you go to college/university?

I can't speak for all home educated kids, but yes. We can go to college and/or uni if we want to.

That's the main questions we get asked, hopefully that's helped everyone understand a bit more. The answers mainly apply to my family, so they might differ from place to place. That's all from me, peace out!



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