

Will to Win Foundation and Kids Company



Kids Company hits the courts

The Will to Win Foundation joined forces with fellow charity Kids Company to allow children from disadvantaged and troubled backgrounds to learn to play tennis.

Twenty children, aged between 5 and 14, enjoyed four two-hour coaching sessions at Will to Win's Regents Park tennis centre for free as part of a joint initiative to give the children a positive experience of learning new skills, being active and enjoying sport during the school holidays. Kids Company has identified the long summer break from school as a time when vulnerable children often need support and activities to take part in while they are away from the protection and comforting routine of school life. "It's fantastic to see these kids playing tennis because before it might have been a sport that they thought was out of their league or not for them," said Audrey West from Kids Company, after watching the final session on Thursday. "These kids have stayed together, got on well, come together to form teams, listened to instruction and after two hours they are still on board, still excited and still listening. They're out of their comfort zone but they're being challenged in a really positive way."

Kids Company provides practical, emotional and educational support to vulnerable inner-city children. It gives intensive support to 18,000 children across the Capital, including the most deprived and at-risk. The Will to Win Foundation was set up in 2011 as a registered charity with the goal of enriching lives through sport and providing opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to play and compete.

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