## Working with Ayr Academy and Dalmilling Primary school

Every Thursday during school term we lead a faith based lunch group in Dalmilling Primary. We established this in partnership with <u>Scripture Union</u>. We have had a great response to this and a number of volunteers have helped out over the past couple of years.





The children eat their lunch together and then we enjoy a game or some crafts. The main point and focus of the group is to share and discuss something of the Christian faith.

We have provided 1-1 support in the past and we offer practical support to families on an ongoing basis.

Our work within Ayr Academy is very much a partnership approach in collaboration with Room Sixty Room Sixty operates out of Newton Wallacetown Church, Ayr. We both share a passion and vision to engage and empower the young people of Ayr, North.

We also deliver a small group session with boys called Thrive. We use a number of resources and strategies for this, but the aim of the group is to increase self-awareness and provide tools for self-management. We actively encourage and promote healthy ways of expressing our emotions. 1-1 support is available too.





In the past we have offered a lunch group which is open to all pupils. This has allows us and Room Sixty to maintain contact with pupils transitioning from primary school to secondary school, whilst giving us the opportunity to build those relationships and develop new ones. The lunch group is a safe place for the young people to hang out and play games.

We provide ongoing support to a small number of young adults who have left school. We provide emotional support

and a listening ear as they learn to navigate real life. We engage in informal ways such as walking, cycling and recreational day trips/activities.