






What is Children's University?

The Children's University (CU) aims to promote exciting learning opportunities and experiences outside normal school hours for children aged 5 to 14.

At the heart of its work is the ambition to raise aspirations, boost achievement and foster a love of learning, so that young people can make the most of their abilities and interests.



What are the benefits?

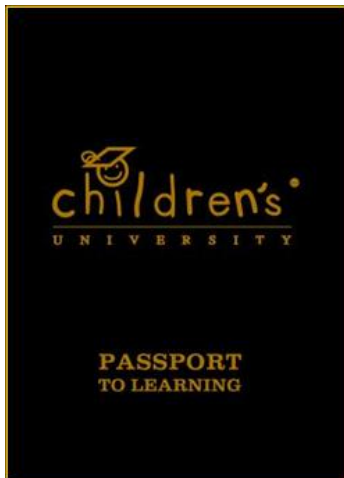
-  Achievement is significantly better at Key Stages 1-3 for children who participate in the CU compare with non-attenders
-  The further children engage with CU, the better their achievement
-  An evaluation by Cambridge University found certificates, credits, passports and graduations are valued rewards
-  University settings help inspire and raise aspirations for children and parents
-  CU has helped make quality learning a reality beyond academic studies




A guide to using my Passport



How do I collect Learning Credits?



- Make sure that you fill in your Passport for every Children's University *Learning Destination* that you visit or for each activity you take part in
- Your activity leader/teacher/tourist destination will give you a stamp or a sticker for your Passport to show that you have taken part in a validated learning activity
- Your first 30 *Learning Credits* (Bronze Award) can be in one or more activities but after that you should have at least 5 *Learning Credits* of something new to get your Silver Award and then 10 *Learning Credits* of something new for all awards from then on.

DATE	HOUR(S)	ACTIVITY	STAMP OF APPROVAL
1st May 2013	3 hours	Participated in the Curb Saturday morning club at Maidstone Museum	

In the back section of your Passport you can collect stamps and stickers for activities that you have taken part in which are not part of the Children's University™. This might be your school homework club, a trip out or a special award.

These stickers will not count towards your hours of learning.

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ACTIVITY	ACTIVITY	ACT



Where can I use my Passport?



- Most of the *Learning Credits* that you collect will be for activities at school but we also want to celebrate learning which you do in other places
- You can use your Passport anywhere that has been made a *Learning Destination*
- Most *Learning Destinations* will have one of our black sticker or posters.
- If you are not sure if somewhere is a *Learning Destination* ask your teacher for a list or go to the website at: www.childrensuniversity.co.uk

If you go somewhere that you think should be a *Learning Destination* let your teacher know or email us at kcu@kent.gov.uk



You use your Passport To Learning to collect evidence of the hours of completed in CU validated learning activities. By collecting *Learning Credits*, you will be able to progress through the national certification scheme and Graduate in front of your family in a real Kent University.

BRONZE
30, 130 etc hours of

SILVER
65, 165 etc hours of

GOLD
100, 200 etc hours of