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InternetNZ End of Year Report to 31 January 2015

The West Coast Technology Education Trust (WCTET) established a venue known as Techspace upstairs in the Regent Theatre building in Greymouth, to provide the community a central location for technology related activities and events.

With the assistance of the InternetNZ grant the WCTET has successfully:

- Continued the workshop program which has had over 130 attendees on electronics, 3D modelling, 3D printing, Maker Club, Cloud and Online tools and animation, throughout the year.
- The continuation of Code Club weekly classes teaching youth to code. 13 Students successfully completed the introductory course to coding, run as an after school program over 3 terms.
- Monday evening Computer club meetings have continued, providing people opportunities to experiment and problem solve technology related subjects.
- Hosted several school classes demonstrating various interactive technologies, from gesture control, touch screens, and internet of things wearables.
- Help promote Dr Michele Dickinson's Nanotechnology Public Lectures- with over 300 people attending
- Organised a trip to the several of Christchurch's technology companies to provide high school students a first-hand look at life working in a tech firm, and the opportunity to talk with people at the coal face of NZ's tech industry.
- Code Club students visit to Christchurch's EPIC Centre to have a look a several gaming studios to see first-hand how games are made with coding.

In Conclusion

The grant from InternetNZ enabled the West Coast Technology Education Trust to open the technology centre on the West Coast in 2015. With the funding the trust was able to install ultra-fast broadband, which has been the cornerstone for the workshops and events run at Techspace.







Through UFB, the trust was able to run Code Club – to teach youth how to code, utilising online tools,

Utilising online design tools for Maker Club, as well as the Monday night Computer Club.

In the year that Techspace has been operating it has established itself as the go to place for technology on the West Coast. The trust has also established connections among the tech industry across NZ. As these relationships develop it is hoped that more opportunities will be created through collaboration, and partnerships.

Awareness among the community is constantly growing, with increasing requests for workshops and the expansion of Code Club.

Whilst TechSpace has only been open for one year, the feeling among the community is one of positivity and enthusiasm, at the new community resource.

In short, without the grant from InternetNZ, it is doubtful the West Coast Technology Trust would have been able to offer the range of workshops and events that was offered in 2015. The future plans for Techspace is to continue to develop technology related education and providing access to resources and technology, as well as fostering partnerships with organisations that will create opportunities for the West Coast community.

On behalf of the WCTET, we like to express our gratitude at receiving InternetNZ support, to be able to provide the West Community with an invaluable resource.

Regards

Eric Martini Chairman

West Coast Technology Education Trust







West Coast Technology Education Trust Budget & Expenditure

Actual Expenses

				Actual Ex	penses
				1 st Aug '15	
			to 31st July '15	– 31st Jan '16	Total
		INZ			
1604.35		1604.35	2092.45	-	2092.45
429.57		429.57	720.79	715.86	1436.65
398.26				-	-
29360.56			14328.7	1021.65	15350.35
2072				292.88	292.88
	33864.74		17141.94	2030.39	19172.33
1547.83		1547.83	792.33	715.86	1508.19
1043.48		1043.48	757.1	382.12	1139.22
5000		5000	3750.03	1666.68	5416.71
365.22		365.22	404.91	230.25	635.16
2173.91				-	
2608.7			1304.2	- 1	1304.2
2173.91			621.37	288	909.37
73.04				- 1	
	14986.09		7629.94	3282.91	10912.85
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Balance at 1st Feb 16819.21

Figures GST exclusive







Photos of events held at Techspace



Exploring career opportunities at EPIC Technology Centre - Christchurch







Students completing Code Club



Exploring 3D printing workshop



Maker Club – Learning to design and use CNC machine







Hosting school visit – exploring interactive technology

