



# LEANNE OAKLEY

*Following completion of a Nail Technology Diploma, Leanne has gone on to open her own business called R&R Beauty Bar*



## COURSES STUDIED:

Nail Technology  
(20 week)

**Single mum to 2 girls, Ruby and Roxy, Leanne has always worked hard to set an example to her children. In 2018, following her mum's diagnosis of cysts on her liver, she made the decision to look after her children rather than her parents. It was time for her to get a job with better hours.**

"My Sister-in-Law Hannah runs her own salon and gave me a job helping her out. Hannah asked me if I'd like to do nails and at first, I was worried that I wouldn't be any good. I brought a cheap set and did a friend's nails, and I knew straight away where I'd gone wrong, and realised it was something I liked. So I self-taught myself for a few months whilst trying to save to complete a nail technician course. Being a single mum working part-time trying to find this kind of money was hard. It was then that I was recommended Foundations. I looked into it and my first thought was this is too good to be true. I signed up for the Nail Technology course, and other than my children it's been the best thing I've ever done. My teacher is amazing. The support I've received from her on and off the course has been the best. I couldn't have wished for a better tutor.

**"I KNOW I HAVE MADE FRIENDS FOR LIFE AND ONCE MY JOURNEY HAS ENDED I KNOW THE DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN. I RECOMMEND FOUNDATIONS TO SO MANY PEOPLE"**

Julie is one of the nicest ladies I've ever met. I created a mood board based on Remembrance Sunday and Julie was overwhelmed with my work and scheduled a post on Facebook and Instagram. This gained me followers on my business pages and boosted my confidence. I've always been a confident person in myself but I'm also my biggest critic. I've found I can now praise my work with the confidence I've built from attending Foundations.

Foundations hasn't just been a place for me to learn. I've found friends, people I can trust, people I can go to if I need to. Everybody is there to help and support and it makes you feel like you've known these people all your life. I was excited to finish my course for my qualification, but sad as I don't want to leave the people I've met along the way. I will be going back to do nail services and also looking at a few of the day courses. I obviously want the qualification but it's mainly so I can stay in touch with the people there".