

CYP LEGACY FOR LEICESTER

The East Midlands took very seriously the Singapore pledge to inspire a generation and Chief Executives from across the region met with key figures from sport and education to try to bring the pledge to fruition. They determined to pool money from all nine East Midlands Local Authorities in order to recruit a Legacy Coordinator on a five year contract. In June 2009 they appointed a coordinator specifically to work with and for children and young people.

Five outputs had been highlighted:

- greater participation in sport and physical activity
- increased volunteering by children and young people
- a higher awareness of and involvement with the Cultural Olympiad
- greater understanding of the international dimension of London 2012
- a strong commitment to the LOCOG education programme, Get Set.

Since appointment the Legacy Coordinator for Children and Young People has worked closely with partners in Leicester City Council, the County Sports Partnership, School Sports Partnerships, the LeicesterShire 2012 Management Group, national governing bodies, arts organisations, colleges and schools to deliver to these outputs. The Inspire LeicesterShire Director and Coordinator were invaluable allies.



Folville Junior School on East MidlandsToday

A target was set for Get Set registration of **80%** of East Midlands schools and **50%** in the Get Set Network; when the latter target was achieved the Network target was revised up to **60%**. Schools in the Network were also entitled to apply for free Olympic and Paralympic tickets under LOCOG's Ticket Share scheme, providing the potential for even more direct inspiration. The city totals, (see box below), show that the city had excellent take-up of both registration and Network status with **91.5%** and **81.5%** respectively, well above both regional and national statistics on both counts. Leicester's totals bore comparison with most of the London Boroughs.

Key Achievements:

- The Get Set 'end of term' report put East Midlands 5th amongst Nations and Regions with over **88%** registration and **69.3%** in the Network. (This compares favourably with a national average of **85.4%** and **66.4%** respectively, especially as the East Midlands is the only region that did not host Olympic or Paralympic activity)
- The good numbers for Get Set in Leicester were achieved by the Coordinator working closely with Inspire LeicesterShire colleagues as well as officers at Leicester City Council and PDMs in the city.
- **26** East Midlands schools received Department of Education funding for Plan Your Own 2012 projects, sharing their London 2012 enthusiasm and expertise with neighbouring school **3** of these were from Leicester whilst the cities of Nottingham and Derby had just one each..
- **21** East Midlands schools were selected to take part in the flag bearing Guard of Honour for athletes ahead of the Opening Ceremony of the Olympic Games, **2** were from Leicester.

City schools entered fully into the spirit of London 2012 from the earliest possible opportunity.

- **Folville Junior School** hosted a film crew from East Midlands Today as children made London 2012 Legacy pledges.
- **King Richard IIIrd Infant School** and **Glebelands Primary School** were visited by London 2012 Ambassador, Jonathan Edwards as well as emda Chief Executive, Jeff Moore

Authority	Eligible Establishments	Registered	%	Applied to Get Set	%
Derby	105	95	90.5%	73	69.5%
Derbyshire	447	398	89.0%	312	69.8%
Leicester	130	119	91.5%	106	81.5%
Leicestershire	328	297	90.5%	257	78.4%
Lincolnshire	400	330	82.5%	259	64.8%
Northamptonshire	358	328	91.6%	242	67.6%
Nottingham	113	101	89.4%	78	69.0%
Nottinghamshire	395	340	86.1%	251	63.5%
Rutland	26	22	84.6%	18	69.2%
Total	2,302	2,030	88.2%	1,596	69.3%

- With **500** days to go to the Games. Inspire LeicesterShire and the Regional Coordinator for CYP Legacy organised an unforgettable event which saw the 1948 Torch, carried by Tommy Godwin and triathlete Mark Buckingham pass through 500 eager pairs of hands. The journey began at Loughborough College with **RNIB** students and moved on via county schools before visiting **Rushey Mead School, Soar Valley College, Netherhall Special School, Taylor Road Primary School** to the Leicester City football ground. There it was greeted by LCFC legend Alan Birchenall and then manager Sven Goran-Eriksson and was carried around the pitch by pupils from **Rolleston Primary School**..

- Further milestones enthusiastically celebrated at Leicester's Live Site were **Inspire Day** involving children from **Soar Valley College and King Richard III Infants**
- **100** days to go with **Abbey Primary and Mayflower Primary**
- **100** Days to the Paralympics with pupils from **Ellesmere College**
- Pupils from **Stokes Wood Primary School** were delighted to be joined in assembly by Liz Kendall MP and the Regional Coordinator but more especially by London 2012 mascot **Wenlock**, a prize for the school winning a national competition on the London 2012 education site **Get Set**.



Jonathan Edwards visits King Richard IIIrd Infants

The Regional Coordinator visited numerous city and county schools ahead of London 2012 to spread the Legacy message. Schools visited were: Ashfield, West Gate, Ellesmere College, Keyham Lodge School, Folville Junior School, Imperial Infant School, St Mary's Fields Infant School, King Richard IIIrd Infant School, Glebelands Primary, Abbey Primary, Taylor Road Primary, Linden Primary, Mayflower Primary, Mellor Primary, Holy Cross RC Primary School, St John the Baptist CE Primary School, St Barnabas CE Primary School, Rushey Mead Secondary, Soar Valley College, Babington College, English Martyrs RC Secondary School, Crown Hills Community College, Judgemeadow Community College, Sir Jonathan North School, The Lancaster Sports College, Beaumont Leys Secondary School, Moat Community College, Wyggeston Queen Elizabeth College, Leicester College, Regent College and Samworth Academy. She took assemblies, met School Councils and led teacher briefings as well as fronting several Legacy events for LeicesterShire and Rutland Sport (LRS).

Since the Games she has visited dozens of schools reflecting on the Legacy of the Games as well as facilitating several events involving Olympians and Paralympians on inspirational visits to schools. One such event organised by LRS and Inspire LeicesterShire was the visit of boxing gold medallist Luke Campbell to **The Lancaster School** in Leicester (below). The Coordinator led three assemblies with Luke.



On his visit to Loughborough Lord Coe met staff and children from **Stokes Wood Primary** from the city (below). Stokes Wood staff and pupils were also invited to a School Games launch at 10 Downing Street on the basis of the school's commitment to London 2012 and school sport.



Further visits from Olympians and Paralympians are planned with LRS, Inspire LeicesterShire and the Coordinator all determined to ensure that the London 2012 flame continues to burn brightly in Leicester.

Young people's participation in sport and physical activity remains a key output for the Coordinator and colleagues. Since the last election that has taken the form of encouraging involvement in the School Games at all levels. The Coordinator visited **St John the Baptist CE Primary** with the LRS School Games mascot Dazzle and with inspirational Torch Bearer amputee Matt Short. She has attended Level 3 Finals and the School Games final at which she acted as MC. The Coordinator has facilitated at

numerous county level events for children and young people as well as acting as MC for Leicester City at WiSPA Conferences and leadership events.

The Coordinator has linked with numerous Cultural Olympiad events including the Torch Relay in city and county, the Torch evening celebration in Leicester, the Paralympic Flame Festival, **The Lancaster School's** 'Plan Your 2012' evening and **Rushey Mead's** 'Art of Sport' project. The Coordinator encouraged schools to take part in Leicestershire Music Services choir performing specially composed songs inspired by the Olympics and Paralympics. They performed at De Montfort Hall and again at the School Games.

On the theme of internationalism **Judgemeadow Community College** in the city took part in the Coordinator's Inspire Mark project **Musubi** which won a silver medal at the national Podium Awards. **King Richard III Infants** held a six week celebration focused on the last six Olympic host venues.

One of the city and county's strongest suits around London 2012 has been the development of some tremendous young leaders and volunteers, several of whom like Taj Sahota, a city girl studying at **Loughborough College** were rewarded by being chosen as Torch Bearers. Youth Council members Phil Fuller and Anick Soni were also honoured with Phil lighting the cauldron at Abbey Park. The Coordinator has supported programmes like Step into Sport, Young Ambassadors, Sport Makers and the Inspire to Lead project for young disabled leaders. She has provided keynote addresses and run Q and A sessions at numerous events as well as being a leading light in the LRS **Go Gold** ambassador programme.



Olympic gold medal winner Jason Gardener with young people from Ash Field Special School and the mascots Wenlock and Mandeville



Torch bearer and cauldron lighter Phil Fuller with Jim Davis, Radio Leicester