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Children In Need: Cedar Mount Academy

On Friday 13th November, Cedar Mount Academy held various fundraisers to raise money for Children In Need and the whole school got involved. Children In Need is a UK charity whose vision is to make as many children as possible safe, happy, secure and helps support children to reach their full potential. This means helping less fortunate children who have various difficulties in their life which Children In Need can help with, such as, illness, disabilities, family support and much more!

Cedar Mount Academy has been fantastic in helping to raise money to donate to the charity to help make a difference in a young person's life. Everyone got involved and took part in lots of different way. We had Pudsey selling different things, including, Pudsey ears, bracelets and keyrings. There was bake sales and sold out of the all buns, biscuits and cakes. Even the teachers got involved by dressing up! We are very proud of our school and would like to thank everyone for their support and kind contributions to Children In Need fundraising. We managed to raise a total of £845.19 for Children In Need.

Well done everyone! By Shelby, Year 10

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Well done !!!

to *Maheen* who won the 'Design a Pudsey HERO' competition & earned 20 house points for Einstein House.



Introducing Mancunian Way Charity:

We have been working in your school since September,

but who are we?





From left to right:

Jenny - I have been a Youth Worker for 11 years and specialise in teaching sexual health. I have a 3 year old little boy and love to play hockey at the weekend. I am a dare devil and have been skydiving and bungy jumping!

Olivia - I moved to Manchester from Washington D.C. 4 years ago to study Drama at University. I am a qualified youth worker and applied theatre practitioner, and I have worked on music and theatre programmes in 3 different countries! When I am not at school, I go into prisons, Pupil Referral Units, Youth Offending Teams and other clubs.

Nikki - I am from Northern Ireland and have been living in Manchester for 3 years and currently finishing my degree in 'Youth & Community Work'. I love to use sport to engage young people and have played international football for my country!

We are a registered charity working across Greater Manchester, but most of our projects are in Gorton and East Manchester.

We work mainly with young people to ensure they get the best start in life and are prepared for what life has in store for them. The good things and the bad things!

We are working in your school to make sure you succeed; without a good education life will be tough. Work with us and we can help you be the best you can be. No one can ask more than that!

If you have any problems in school or at home and need someone to talk to, then we are here for you. All we want is the best for you. You can talk to us about anything, if you need to talk we are here to lister and try to help.

Search 4 us on Facebook, Twitter and Youtube: **1mancunianway**

Get involved with us!!!!!!

We have lots of projects running and will even create a project for you if you tell us what you want!



Cooking is good fun after school!!



Want to be a midwife or interested in another career?



Fancy going canoeing?



Mancunian Way

changing lives, improving communities



A Night to Remember

On the 12th November we opened our doors to invite our former year 11 pupils to our annual GCSE presentation evening. The room was dressed to impress and the student leadership team were on hand to serve chilled drinks and canapés to our guests for the evening. After an opening speech from the principal of the academy the students were enthused by the inspirational key note speaker for the evening. Adam Corbally, formerly a candidate from the TV series The Apprentice and local business man was in attendance to share his life story and inspire the students to work hard and be resilient to life's challenges. Both parents and students alike listened to every word he said as he put into perspective how he overcame barriers to become a successful business man and entrepreneur.

With over 150 guests in attendance there was a real community spirit across the academy. After the event a parent wrote to me and said "I just wanted to say what a nice evening we had last Thursday at Cedar Mount Academy, it was a really good

atmosphere and great to see how all the old Yr 11's have moved on in their lives."

The students were presented with the hard earned GCSE certificates and special certificates were presented to a number of students who made outstanding achievement and progress. We wish all our former pupils the very best in their lives after Cedar Mount Academy and hope they return to share their success stories with us.



Our reporters were lucky enough to get an 'access all areas' interview with Miss Losztyn. Here's what she had to tell us...

Miss Losztyn is the Performing Arts teacher and despite only joining the school in September has been teaching for 4 yrs.

Although Drama & Dance is very fun, it takes a lot of hard work to become a successful teacher. Miss Losztyn worked very hard in school and achieved 12 GCSE's. After leaving Oldham College, where her favorite classes were P.E and textiles, she went on to do a degree in Performing Arts and then a PGCE, which is a post graduate certificate in education, this is very important to become a teacher.

Did you know Miss Losztyn didn't always want to be a Drama Teacher? In fact she really wanted to teach Maths! As a youngster she starred in many plays, such as, Grease, Dracula and A Christmas Carol. Outside of school she enjoys other activities including netball, playing the piano and recently featured as the lead role in a music video!

By Rikaya, Yr8, Shelby Yr10 & Angelique Yr11

DJ Police Officer!!

Do you want to be a DJ or just learn some new skills?

The local Police Officer comes to our Friday evening youth club at school to teach DJing skills. He brings all the equipment and tracks.





Speak to Mancunian Way staff to find out when he is next coming along on a Friday, or we could even arrange another day / time.



A massive well done to our Year 7 Rugby Team who beat St.Peter's in the final to win the Rugby League Cup hosted by The Salford Red Devils!

Watch our Anti Bully Film:

Google: 1mancunianway teachers can help





BBC Newsround came to school and spoke to Hazeeq, Yr7, on the dangers of buying cheap imports of hoverboards, which can set on fire.

Want to be part of the next newsletter?

If you would like to be part of the newsletter team and keep everyone up to date with what is happening at school, then get in touch with the Mancunian Way ladies.

We need reporters, writers, photographers and new exciting ideas.

Get in touch!!



Key103 Radio donated 30 tickets to us and a group of pupils went to the Opera House on Wed 9th Dec to watch Cinderella! Pupils were picked for good behavior and attendance. A great time!!!!



Help The Homeless

Pupils collected donations of food, clothes and toiletries and took them to the Booth Centre in the city centre.





