

Alex Williams... Olympic Torch Bearer.

Our very own Alex Williams has been selected from thousands of applicants to be a torch bearer for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Alex will be one of 8,000 people that will carry the Olympic flame as it journeys across the UK. Alex will carry the torch through Hindley on the 31st May so have a look out for him!



Olympian Craig Heap Travels Tameside!

Craig Heap started his gymnast career at the age of 9 and by the age of 13 he was competing with the Junior British Gymnastic team. In 1998 Craig became the first person to captain England

to win Gold at the Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur. Two years later in Sydney he realised his goal of competing in the 2000 Olympic Games where he achieved his Personal Best performance in the All Round final. Shortly afterwards at the 2002 Commonwealth Games Craig once again captained England to team Gold.

Craig has worked as an Athlete Mentor for the Youth Sport Trust since 2007. Commenting on the experience he brings to Sky Sports Living for Sport: "I like to give others, particularly young people, the belief that they too can.

achieve whatever they want to if they put their minds to it and commit themselves 100%. Life is full of opportunities and you have to grab them when you can. As a result of Craig's inspirational career he is currently touring Tameside delivering assemblies and talking to students.



Craig has been very high in demand and is visiting:

- ⇒ Fairfield High School for Girls
- ⇒ Manor Green Primary School
- ⇒ Arlies Primary School

- ⇒ The Heys Primary School
- ⇒ Holden Clough Community Primary School
- ⇒ St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Primary School, Droylsden
- ⇒ Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School
- ⇒ Parochial Church of England Primary



Updates from Around the Borough!

Moorside Primary school has developed a unique way to inspire pupils - by putting Olympic & Paralympic images up around the school. They look amazing!

Canon Burrows Primary School has developed an Olympic action plan for this year together with their Young Ambassadors, are making sure lots of projects motivate their pupils.

Manor Green Primary School have enlisted Olympian Craig Heap in to deliver an Olympic assembly to get the whole school ready for the Games.

The Heys Primary School will be looking at the Cultural element of the Games and have brought in African dancers & drummers to work with the pupils.

Samuel Laycock Secondary School have developed a whole load of projects based around the Olympic & Paralympic values and made sure this impacts the whole school and not just PE.

New Charter Academy are using wristbands with the Olympic and Paralympic Values on as a rewards scheme.

Have you any other plans that we can share with other schools? Just email emma.heap@newcharteracademy.org.uk with your photos & ideas.

Tameside School Sports Partnership



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The School Games

The School Games Level 1 – This is all Intra School Competition.

You should have received your free school games celebration pack (if you are registered on the school games website www.yourschoolgames.com). The School Games aims to increase levels of participation in school sport. Through this pupils are encouraged to take part in intra-competitions such as sport days.

The School Games Level 2 – This all Inter School Competition.

Level 2 of the School Games encourages competition to take place against schools in the borough of Tameside.

The School Games Level 4 London Visit! – This is all National Competition.

and coming competitions are:

- Quad kids – 19th June
- Archery – 25th June
- Tri- Golf – 26th June
- Tennis – 9th, 10th, 11th July



To book your team into the competition go onto the School Sport Partnership website at www.tamesideschoolsport.co.uk.



On Wednesday 9th May Tameside School Sport Partnership took staff from Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School, Hurst Knoll St James' Church of England Primary School, Canon Burrows Church of England Primary School, Rosehill Methodist Community Primary School, The Heys Primary School, St. James' Church of England Primary School, Ashton,

The School Games Level 3 – this is all Regional Competition.

The next Summer School Games event will take place on Tuesday 3rd July at Sport City. The day will follow a similar format to the Winter Games so make sure your school is performing well in the up and coming Tameside Borough competitions for the chance to represent Tameside on the 3rd July!

New Charter Academy and Astley Sports College travelled down to the Olympic Village in Stratford. We visited the Aquatics Centre where we watched young people compete in the Sainsbury's UK School Games. Pupils were also given the opportunity to report for the BBC about the event. It was a fantastic day with a very inspirational and exciting atmosphere. The London 2012 Games are certain to be a fantastic event!

Greater Manchester Winter Games Success!

Tuesday 27th March schools from around Tameside and Greater Manchester competing in the Winter event of the Greater Manchester School Games.



The day saw around 1700 young athletes battle it out to be crowned winners of their event. The opening ceremony took place at Sport City hosted by Alex James and Michelle Livesey from Key103 with guest stars Rizzle Kicks and Kirsty Mackay (Great Britain Hockey player) who helped to open the games. As usual our representative schools did us proud with a grand total of 15 medals and counting! Our Lady Mount Carmel RC finished 8th with Buckton Vale



Primary School finishing 17th in the year 5/6 sports hall athletics event. St. Damians RC Science College finished 1st in the year 7/8/9 Boccia event.

Samuel Laycock finished 1st in the Under 16s tag rugby event. St Mary's RC, Denton finished 8th in the year 4/5 swimming event. Droylsden Academy finished 6th in the under 13 boys table tennis event. Fairfield High School for Girls finished 1st and 3rd place in the under 13 girls table tennis event. Alder Community College finished 3rd place in the under 15 boys volleyball event. Finally, Fairfield High School for Girls finished 1st place in the under 15 girls volleyball event. A great day was had by all and a big congratulations to all who competed in the games. A big thank you to pupils from Denton Community College, Ashton Sixth Form and Audenshaw who did an amazing job of helping the day run smoothly!

Stalyhill Primary School finished 3rd in the Tag Rugby. Dowson Primary School finished 2nd place in the year 5/6 hockey event. Cromwell High School finished 2nd place in the year 7/8/9 New Age Kurling event. The following schools all competed in the Rowing: West Hill Year 8 boys finishing 3rd, Fairfield High School for Girls Year 10s finishing 3rd, New Charter Academy year 11 boys finishing 3rd and Samuel Laycock Secondary School year 8 boys finishing 3rd and the year 8 girls finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd place!!



Olympic Teach-Meet and PLT Day!

The next TeachMeet PLT day is all set for Thursday 24th May at Aldwinians RUFC, Audenshaw Park, Droylsden Road, Audenshaw. Manchester, M34 5SN. The day will start at 9.15 until approximately 3.00pm. Make sure that your school's PLT is booked on through the School Sport Partnership website and they will receive a free t-shirt on the day!

Has your School Booked an Olympic Challenge Day?

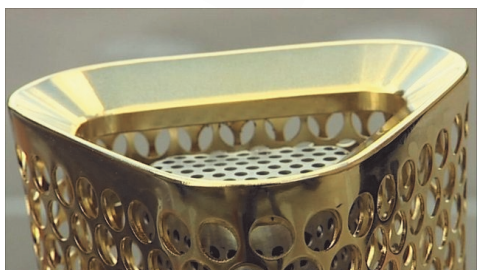
As you may or may not know, Tameside School Sports Partnership has received funding from the London Organising Committee for the Olympic Games and New Charter Housing to inspire as many pupils as possible with the forthcoming Olympic & Paralympics. As part of this we are offering an Olympic Challenge Day to year 6 pupils in all Primary Schools in Tameside.

The day consists of pupils working as part of a team in planning, designing and building their own Olympic Stadium developing teamwork skills, self-managing skills, creative thinking skills and reflective thinking skills, all of which are PLTs! Pupils then complete a PE session and carryout a Dragons Den style presentation to try and sell their Stadium! It's a fantastic experience which so many schools have already enjoyed! To book a day for your year 6 class, contact Rachel Whitehead at Rachel.whitehead@newcharteracademy.org.uk



Current Competitions—Are you up to Date?

Design a Torch Competition - Do you think your pupils could design a torch to be carried round Tameside? We are running a fantastic competition led by our Young Ambassadors, asking every school to run their own torch design competition, choose a winner and then enter into the borough competition. The winning entry will then be carried round all of the Tameside schools and then placed in a museum exhibition. Details out soon!



Photographic Competition – Tameside School Sport Partnership has managed to secure a weekly middle page spread in the Tameside Reporter! All you need to do is produce one photograph of a really exciting and inspirational board display, activity, or event within your school. Each entry should then be submitted along with a descriptive paragraph about your photograph. The photograph should try to include features that represent your school, its area and the local community as well as linking to the London 2012 Games and maybe reflecting some/ all of the Olympic and Paralympic values. The more imaginative your photograph is the better – it is not limited to just a notice board!

Supporter to Reporter – Tameside School Sports Partnership and the Tameside Reporter are running a sports journalist competition to coincide with this year's London 2012 Games and the launch of the new Government strategy for school competition 'the School Games'. To take part entrants must write an article with a maximum of 200 words about what their school is doing in the build-up to the London Olympics & Paralympics 2012. The aim of the article is to highlight the positive things that your school is doing to inspire its pupils. For example: Is your school hosting a School Games Day or sports day? Are you having a past Olympian in to deliver an assembly? Have you taken part in other competitions linked to the Olympics?

Are you a 'GETSET' Network School?



Are you displaying your plaque for all to see? GetSet is the amazing education website for the Olympics & Paralympics and offers lots of resources and ideas for all schools that are a part of it. All schools should be registered with the website already and can become a 'Network' school by completing a simple tick sheet. When you have done this you receive a school plaque, certificate and the use of the Education Olympic logo for school prospectus', letter-heads and websites. Only 30 out of 94 schools are a network school so let's get going! Log on to GetSet2012 and see if you are registered. Contact Emma for support on becoming a network school.



Where are Wenlock and Mandeville?

Have you had Wenlock or Mandeville come to your school yet with their diary? We are documenting the build-up to the Games and set the mascots off on their travels around the borough. Ask some of your pupils to take them home and list what physical activity they have done. The diaries will be shown in a museum exhibition as part of the Cultural Olympiad in Tameside. They will be travelling around the borough until July.

Young Ambassadors.



Earlier this term the borough's Young Ambassadors launched the Primary & Secondary Young Ambassador scheme. Together with the Mayor of Tameside, Councillor Susan Quinn, Councillor Dawson Lane & Olympian Craig Heap, they welcomed over 30 school ambassadors to the event, where they were given special t-shirts and ideas on how they can help inspire others with Olympic plans. You can still register your Ambassadors and receive t-shirts - email Emma your names.

