

# Broomwood Primary School Receives Ofsted's 'Seal of Approval'

You will be pleased to know that the Broomwood estate has:

“an effective school which serves it's community well in the good quality of education it provides”.

Governors, parents, children and staff of the school are proud of their school and welcome the conclusions of the recent report as confirmation of the excellent teaching and learning on offer at the school. It is good to know that within walking distance of many homes there is a very good school. The school's main strengths are reported to be:

- The inspirational leadership and very effective management
- The good quality of teaching and the very good teamwork among staff
- The very effective provision in the special educational needs Resource Base
- The good start that children make in the Nursery and Reception classes
- Pupils' good achievement in reading, mathematics, science and ICT
- The very good provision for pupils' personal development
- The excellent links with the community

Chair of Governor's Councillor Ray Bowker and all the governors have given support to the Headteacher in all school activities.



The inspectors found many good, very good and excellent features upon which to comment. One of the excellent features is as follows:

**“The school is very successful in realising its vision of itself as “at the heart of the community”. It is the focus of much community activity from the toddlers' club to the Bingo Club for the older residents, and many events, such as the jubilee party are held at the school. The school is also the base for computer courses and Keep Fit and Think Fit sessions. Much of the initial improvement in the school's décor was carried out by local people under community service orders. The school draws in coaching skills from**

**local sports clubs and specialist knowledge from members of the community to enrich the curriculum. In return the choir sings at the community centre. All the governors have some community role. The school is playing a major role in raising the community spirit and encouraging action towards self-improvement in the area.”**

Spare places are being filled rapidly particularly in the infant part of the school. There is a waiting list for entry into the Nursery. For any parents considering Broomwood Primary for their child it is recommended that an early appointment be made with the Headteacher Mrs Wood to have a personal tour of the school.





The Toddler Gym Has Come To Broomwood... Toddler Gym aims to help babies and toddlers develop self confidence by providing a safe environment for learning about themselves and the world in which they live. In partnership with parents and carers, the children are encouraged to develop body awareness and control, co-ordination, agility and social and listening skills. The sessions include a warm up, songs and rhymes, a parade time and a wind down. If you would like to know more telephone Sue on 07958 140085.



## Broomwood School News!

On the 20<sup>th</sup> November Broomwood School were invited to Buile Hill Park Hall in Salford to receive a silver plate in recognition of it being one of the first schools in Trafford to receive a “**Healthy Futures**” Award. This Award is highly prestigious and recognises the many initiatives which are helping children, staff and parents of the school to think and live healthily. It is a higher Award than the “**Healthy School Award**” which we gained in 2000.

The Award Ceremony was attended by Governor Mrs Sharon Gleave, Teacher Miss Nicola Gagon, Headteacher Mrs Ann Wood and School Council members Lewis Woodward, Laura Stevens, Rebecca Rogers and Stephen Hewitt.

### Broomwood School invite you to:

- Come along to the **Christmas Fair** on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm until 8.00pm.
- Enjoy our annual **Carol Service** at Christ Church, Timperley on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.
- Start the New Year off with fresh determination to slim down and get fit!!! Our Think Fit sessions start again on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2004.  
The sessions will be held every Thursday from 6.30pm until 8.00pm at the school at a weekly cost of £2.50. You can attend for the whole or part of the evening.  
The evening starts with a **Think Fit** half hour with Kerry Atkinson, where you will have a weekly weigh in followed by a 15 minute session designed to inspire, motivate, encourage and most of all support efforts to “make a fresh start”. Following this at 7.00pm is an energetic **Aerobics** session which is taken by fitness expert Gina Jones. Altogether you will have excellent value for money, make new friends and best of all have lots of fun whilst getting fit and healthy!!
- Audition for a part in a Community “**Victorian Music Hall**” to be performed on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2004. Auditions will be held in the school on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2004** starting at 6.30pm and lasting until approximately 9.00pm. Do you sing, dance, juggle, tell good jokes or have any other hidden talents? If so, we need **YOU!!** Come and find out more at our audition night. We also need backstage help and other volunteers. All members of our adult community are welcome!

# Over 800 sign the 'Save the Scout Hut' Petition

to be presented to Altrincham Area Board

G-Force Youth Club would like to thank everyone who signed the petition supporting the bid to get the old Scout Hut reopened. Steve Hailes, the Chief Exec of G-Force said that he would like to thank everyone for their support. He also added that the group desperately needs its own base and that he was hopeful that the Council will look again at the request.

The petition to save our Scout Hut is being presented at Altrincham Area Board on 2nd December at St. Hugh's Catholic Primary, Park Road, Timperley.

It is, of course, a public meeting and the G-Force Youth Club is running the community minibus to and from St. Hugh's for any residents who would like to attend in support of the petition.

Please ring 282 0757 if you would like to come.



## 'YOUTH WORKS'

This is the new name chosen by the Young People for the Broomwood's own Youth Forum



The 12 Young People (aged 13 to 17 years old) who initially formed this group are going from strength to strength. After having a great weekend away team building and just having fun together they have come back ready and raring to make a difference.

They are currently meeting on a weekly basis where they are all having a go at being Secretary and Chair for the meetings. They have also visited the Youth Forum in Sale West to get ideas and see what they get up to.

One of the forums first decisions was to support the Mayors Charity and they are planning to do this by raising money 'bag packing' at a local supermarket.



They are then going to present the cheque to the Mayor at the OAP's Christmas party.

We can be proud of our Young People. Well done!

We look forward to more reports from the Young People themselves so 'WATCH THIS SPACE' for more news.

This initiative is being supported by BCA, G-Force Youth club & Childrens Fund via Youth Inclusion Workers and Simone Spray Traffords Youth Participation Officer.



# Prize Word Search

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c a r o l s d k s

Can you find these Christmas words? Send your answers to the address below, before the 14th December and include your name & address

Last Months word-search winner is Liam aged 6. He correctly completed the puzzle and was first out of the hat. He wins this huge box of chocolates that was presented by Rosie aged 9. Congratulations Liam.



Card Christmas Carols Ice Tinsel  
Advent Santaclaus Jesus Snow  
Snowman Turkey Donkey Stable

## Exciting plans for Altrincham Youth Centre

Trafford Council are looking to change the Youth centre into a Youth & Community Centre and, following that idea, they have had two public consultation events held at the Primary School and the Youth Centre. Over 100 residents came to comment and these are now being 'pawed' over with the initial draft plan being redeveloped with these in mind. The Broomwood Community Association welcome this extra investment in our community and are working in partnership with the agencies concerned to bring about best value for us all.

If you would like to see the initial consultation document and draft plans, please log on to the [broomwoodvoice.com](http://broomwoodvoice.com) home page.

# STOP PRESS!!!!!!!

## The Mayor is coming for Christmas dinner!

We are pleased to announce that the Mayor and Mayoress of Trafford have very kindly agreed to officially open the Community Associations Second Annual OAP's Christmas party being held on 14th December starting at 1pm at the Broomwood Primary School. They have also agreed to honour us by staying for dinner! The meal will be followed by a game or two of bingo and will then will lead onto a Community Christingle Service starting at 4pm to which the whole community is invited.

Sharon Gleave, who is leading the organisation of the event, said that the meal this year is to be cooked by the residents who last year passed their 'Foundation Certificate for food hygiene' when preparing for the Silver Jubilee Party. She went on to say that the team are very excited about the whole event and looking forward to serving the OAP's who are very special members of our community.

If you are over 60 years of age and would like to come or if you know anyone who would like to come to the meal **which is being provided free of charge**, please contact either Joe on 980 8435 or Joan on 903 8200 or, if you are a silver surfer, e-mail us at [info@broomwoodvoice.com](mailto:info@broomwoodvoice.com) to book your place.

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