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DIANA ACTIVE CAMPAIGNER

Award Holder/Group Name: SAMUEL Category: Diana Active Campaigner Organisation: WESTHOUGHTON HIGH SCHOOL Town: WESTHOUGHTON Region: North West

Sam volunteers his time to assist young people in his local community with the Wigan and Leigh Council, the Bolton Borough Youth Council, the "make your Mark Campaign", the UCL Institute of Education, the Rotary Club, Bolton Health Forum as well as Bolton Council its self. In school Sam is instrumental in supporting our annual "Kindness Week". During this week in July the along with his fellow students Sam actively commit more than the usual "acts" of kindness for each other and the local community. He is also actively involved in the school's charity work which raised £16,500 last academic year for various National and Local Charities. Sam takes his studies very seriously, however, always putting others before himself with his enthusiastic, considerate, caring nature

Award Holder/Group Name: Sandbach Social Justice Groups Category: Diana Active Campaigner Organisation: Sandbach High School Town: Sandbach Region: North West

The Sandbach Social Justice Group comprise of three passionate and proactive groups of young people who campaign to make the world a better place. Both the Amnesty Girls and The Lower Citizenship Club campaign for human rights injustice awareness; tackling issues ranging from equal rights for LGBT communities to ending the death penalty overseas. The Sandbach SLOTHs campaigning focuses on raising awareness of human trafficking and FGM. The groups have written to every MEP, MP and Lord, met Nick Clegg and been praised in parliament for their efforts. They give up their free time in school to plan their work, give assembles and use social media platforms to further their campaigns.

Award Holder/Group Name: Sandbach High School Social Justice Group Category: Diana Active Campaigner Organisation: Sandbach High School Town: Sandbach Region: North West

The Sandbach Social Justice teams are three groups of incredible young women! They give up hours of their time every week in order to try to make the world a better place. We have three groups, the Amnesty Girls (aged 13-18), the Sandbach SLOTHs (Shine a Light on Trafficking Humans) (aged14-18) and the LSCC (Lower School Citizenship Club) (aged 11-13). These girls want their voices to be heard, and to at least try to make a difference. They don't want to complain about human rights violations, they want to do something about it! They use their meetings to raise money and awareness and often give up time both in school and out of school to tackle the issues that concern them head on. They are passionate, enthusiastic and proactive, it is genuinely an honour to work with them.

DIANA ANTI-BULLYING CHAMPION

Award Holder/Group Name: Kingsway Ambassadors Category: Diana Anti-Bullying Champion Organisation: The Kingsway School Town: Stockport Region: North West

Kingsway Ambassadors have been supporting the school in stamping out bullying. The Ambassadors have given up their own free time to interact, support and mentor vulnerable students. From making themselves known in primary schools through assemblies, open evenings and to the first day of school they ensure all year 7 students can identify them, they also regularly check up on them. They have made sure all new students build up friendships from their start at high school. The Ambassadors have been able to make many differences to young people's lives by supporting them individually as well as in groups.

Award Holder/Group Name: Kirsten Category: Diana Anti-Bullying Champion Organisation: Saddleworth School Town: Oldham Region: North West

Kirsten has not only raised the profile of anti-bullying, but inspired those around her to go beyond their own expectations. She has spent hours creating materials to spread the anti-bullying message both within her own school, and local primary schools, as well as delivering staff training and whole school assemblies, all of which have been hugely successful. Kirsten is a very positive role model for younger students and has inspired many to take up leadership roles within school, and further promote the anti-bullying message.

Award Holder/Group Name: Molly Category: Diana Anti-Bullying Champion Organisation: St.Bridget's Primary School Town: Warrington Region: North West

Molly established the Hate Crime Champions in school which deals with anti-bullying and trying to prevent future hate crime. She readily and regularly gives up her own playtime and lunchtime to support others through the project. She has worked tirelessly at school and home to raise awareness of bullying and to find solutions, inspiring and empowering others along the way. Molly's thoughtful and empathetic approach to every situation shows a maturity beyond her years. She believes that she, and others in school, can and should make a difference

Award Holder/Group Name: Peer Mentors Category: Diana Anti-Bullying Champion Organisation: Stockport Academy Town: Stockport Region: North West

Stockport Peer Mentors have supported our school in stamping out bullying. They organised an antihomophobia week in May 2015 and Anti-Bullying Week in November 2015, both events raised over £250 for charity as well as raised awareness of the effects of bullying. They have also supported the transition of Year 6 pupils to Year 7, they have given up their own free time to interact, support and mentor vulnerable students as well as create form tasks each week to deliver to Year 7 forms. They constantly push themselves to learn more, work harder, and compete for the greater good by putting themselves forward for training and seeking new challenges.

Award Holder/Group Name: SUNDAS Category: Diana Anti-Bullying Champion Organisation: LEVENSHULME HIGH SCHOOL Town: MANCHESTER Region: North West

Sundas has been a true model for so many girls here at school. She is kind, concerned for the welfare of others and proactive in dealing with bullying issues or incidents. She has been a pivotal member of the anti-bullying team and because of her work the school feels like a safe and nurturing community. The upkeep of the anti-bullying room by Sundas and the rest of the team means that there is always a safe haven for girls who feel low, anxious or just need a friend.

Award Holder/Group Name: Brookvale Buddies Category: Diana Anti-Bullying Champion Organisation: Brookvale Primary School Town: Runcorn Region: North West

The Brookvale Buddies are an integral part of school life and play an important part in creating and maintaining a friendly and caring community. Throughout the school day these young people give up their free time to help, support and encourage their peers. The group lead on Anti-Bullying and friendship skills activities and they are heavily involved in school during Anti-Bullying Week. They are a credit to their school and are fantastic role models to their peers many of whom now aspire to become Buddies next year.

Award Holder/Group Name: Peer Support Group Category: Diana Anti-Bullying Champion Organisation: Wirral Grammar School for Boys Town: Wirral Region: North West

The Peer Support Group are a group of sixth form students dedicated to ensuring that life is a positive experience for their entire school community. The group heads up the schools mentoring programme; ensuring youngest students at the school have assistance with issues related to their studies, bullying and personal issues. The group has also lead and delivered an anti-bullying project with a primary school in a deprived area in their spare time. They engaged the primary students in a series of workshops aimed at tackling bullying behaviour and helped them to develop their own anti-bullying policy which led the school to achieve Anti-Bullying Charter Status.

DIANA CHAMPION FUNDRAISER

Award Holder/Group Name: Huzaifah Category: Diana Champion Fundraiser Organisation: Saint Wilfrid's C of E Academy Town: Blackburn Region: North West

Huzaifah has done a considerable amount of work to support Alder Hey children's hospital who helped him, through fundraising. This started off small by creating his own themed own clothes day called Red Day but has since expanded. Huzaifah has since moved to secondary school but wants to continue his great work. Huzaifah has organised interviews with the press & radio to advertise this, and also wrote to the Local Authority to ask them to invite all schools in the area to join in with Red Day. Huzaifah has also organised charity runs and other events such as bake sales. Through this Huzaifah managed to raise over £5500.

Award Holder/Group Name: Joseph Category: Diana Champion Fundraiser Organisation: Altrincham Grammar School for Boys Town: Altrincham Region: North West

Joseph plays a key part in his school's fundraising initiatives raising thousands of pounds for The Christie; providing treatment and care for teenage and young adult cancer patients, Genesis Breast Cancer and The Willow Foundation. He has been voted unanimously as project manager for fundraising projects by his peers who see him as a positive role model who is extremely generous with his time and has a genuine desire to help those less fortunate than himself. Joe is a leader who gets things done and ensures that his fundraising team get the recognition that they deserve.

Award Holder/Group Name: Leon Category: Diana Champion Fundraiser Organisation: Academy@Worden Town: Leyland Region: North West

Leon has been has been a passionate fundraiser and campaigner for Stand Up to Cancer for over three years. He was moved to begin fundraising for the charity after four members of his family were diagnosed with the disease. Leon supports the school and in his wider community organising his first Stand Up to Cancer Day when he was only in Year 5. Leon also enthusiastically supports other fundraising initiatives at his school such as the school's Santa Dash which has raised over £7000 over the last two year for St Catherine's Hospice.

Award Holder/Group Name: Hadiya Category: Diana Champion Fundraiser Organisation: Essa Academy Town: Bolton Region: North West

The first impressions you would observe on meeting Hadiya is her warm friendly smile and her sincere generosity and kindness. Hadiya came to Essa in 2011 as a very quiet, shy individual but it was very evident from that early stage inner education that she was a student who wanted to "Make a Difference". As a teacher with 40yrs experience she continues to inspire not only myself but every member of Essa Academy - to be humble and charitable. Her enthusiasm and passion for raising money for charities is completely self initiated. She is completely selfless and compassionate towards those who are less fortunate. Her infectious attitude to helping others has also inspired other students within the academy to support her fundraising activities. A truly special young lady who inspires others.

DIANA CHAMPION VOLUNTEER

Award Holder/Group Name: Abbie Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: The Believe and Achieve Trust Town: Ashton-Under-Lyne Region: North West

Abbie Williams is selfless, wise beyond her years and passionate. Her enthusiasm radiates in everything she does and if Abbie's around, no job will go undone. She has taken part in thousands of hours of voluntary activity working to support Meningitis Now and to provide sports equipment and opportunities for disabled people. Her passion for dance and making sport inclusive is inspiring, and her attitude can light up someone's darkest day. While Abbie has had her fair share of struggles she overcomes them with her head held high - no questions asked, and isn't phased by the greatest obstacle.

Award Holder/Group Name: Brian Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Runshaw College Town: Leyland Region: North West

Brian is a dedicated member of his college's Student Council taking on extra responsibilities for student communications and is a Student Ambassador, helping out at Open Events helping new and prospective students and their parents to acclimatise to college life. Brian is also very active with the college's own Radio Station "The Voice". He is always one of the first to actively engage with fundraising initiatives and his passion inspires others to get involved. Last year Brian reached the finals of the High Sherriff of Lancashire's Young Citizen Award and was awarded the South Ribble Young Volunteer of the Year.

Award Holder/Group Name: Charlotte Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Penwortham Girls High Schol Town: Preston Region: North West

Charlotte has Diabetes, Asperger's and is a looked after young person but this has never held her back. She is a highly dedicated volunteer and gives up her free time to support her school library and as a School Counsellor. Outside of school Charlotte volunteers with Banardos and is part of an expert panel advising parents of looked after young people. Later in November this year Charlotte is going to London to meet a group of MP's to speak to them about what it is like being a looked after young person.

Award Holder/Group Name: Jack Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Hillside Specialist School & College Town: Preston Region: North West

Jack is a dedicated and reliable volunteer who is always on hand to help whoever needs support. Since 2014 Jack has been school milk monitor, a responsibility he has carried out to the highest standard, ensuring that teachers and students are able to focus on learning. Jack has gone on to also provide support to the kitchen staff by helping to put out the chairs and tables every morning. Through his volunteering Jack has not only developed personally, but also set an excellent example to other students at Hillside.

Award Holder/Group Name: Jessica Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Westhoughton High School Town: Bolton Region: North West

Jessica volunteers as much of her spare time as possible to a Fair Trade social enterprise called Justica volunteering in the organisation's shop as front of house staff. She also volunteers at the Bolton Library and Museum producing fun, creative activities for small children to enjoy during the school holidays and has recently joined Bolton Youth Council. At school Jessica is instrumental in supporting "Kindness Week" and is also involved in the school's charity work which raised £16,500 last year for both national and smaller local charities.

Award Holder/Group Name: Peer Mentors Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Irlam and Cadishead College Town: Manchester Region: North West

This group of Peer Mentors, have given their time, commitment and dedication to support younger students. They have taken the responsibility to offer pastoral support with the transition to ICC, they have also recognised when some of the younger students have struggled academically and supported with a reading scheme and it was observed that the younger students reading ages had improved and they have gained so much more confidence in class and in the school during social times. It is a huge commitment for the mentors and they have embraced the responsibility, never giving up. They are perfect role models.

Award Holder/Group Name: Peer Readers Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Parrenthorn High School Town: Manchester Region: North West

The Peer Readers are a group of Year 10 pupils who volunteer 4 x 20 minutes per week to help Year 7 and 8 pupils who have difficulties with reading and understanding of different types of text. The work the Year 10's carry out with the younger pupil's is very beneficial as some of the pupil's they have to work with are very weak regarding reading and with basic literacy. For example at the start of the scheme some pupil's only have a reading age of 6 years. But by the end these pupil's can have made significant progress that their reading age may have increased by a whole year or even more. This is vital for the pupils to be able to access the curriculum.

Award Holder/Group Name: Clitheroe Youth Forum Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Clitheroe Youth Forum Town: Near Clitheroe Region: North West

The Clitheroe Youth Forum have spent two years researching the deaths of airmen who died in 15 separate plane crashes during World War 2 and worked to create Rolls of Remembrance and six dedication stones close to the crash sites displaying the names of the fallen heroes. The group were also involved in an annual remembrance service writing poems and prayers and planting trees dedicated to the servicemen. Many of the group had relatives who fought in World War 2 and they wanted to ensure that their sacrifice was not forgotten.

Award Holder/Group Name: Young Inspectors Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Barnardo's Lancashire Town: Preston Region: North West

The young inspectors are an inspirational group of young people who have collectively volunteered over 100 hours during three years to improve the lives of others. Young inspectors have visited many Lancashire (LCC) residential homes, private residential homes, LCC and private fostering agencies and other services for children and young people. They have provided recommendations and completed revisits to ensure their inspections have an impact and can be evaluated. These honest recommendations have helped shaped the organisations for the better as well as improving the experiences of young people who interact with them.

Award Holder/Group Name: Tisha Category: Diana Champion Volunteer Organisation: Kirkbie Kendal School Town: Kendal Region: North West

Tisha gives up her time on Saturdays and during school holidays to support family activities and play schemes at Sandgate Special School. Tisha supports the children's development through creative activities and assists the teaching staff ensuring that the playground is a safe and inclusive environment. Tisha is calm and softly spoken in an environment where children struggle with noise and over excitement and provides invaluable relief to parents by entertaining their children and helping them to settle into school life.

DIANA COURAGOUS CITIZEN

Award Holder/Group Name: Lauryn Category: Diana Courageous Citizen Organisation: Halewood Academy Town: Liverpool Region: North West

Despite having suffered family loss during the year of her GCSEs Lauryn continued to attend school and achieved excellent results during her exams inspiring the lives of both her fellow students and staff. Lauryn is seen as a positive role model in her school with her strength and bravery encouraging others around her to be more resilient and achieve their goals. Lauryn has aspirations of becoming a psychiatrist and wants to spend her life helping others in their time of need.

Award Holder/Group Name: Jake Category: Diana Courageous Citizen Organisation: Settle College Town: Settle Region: North West

Jake is currently in year 13 and over the last few years he has been involved in many projects promoting social issues within school. The projects include an anti-bullying campaign, anti-drugs and awareness group along with raising self-esteem and confidence building sessions. Many of the younger students have benefitted from his support and guidance to enable them to improve their own confidence and self-esteem. Jake is truly inspirational and an absolute credit to himself, his family and Settle College. Staff and students alike love to spend time with Jake and he makes his teacher smile every day.