

# Cash boost for kids' sport



**Funding..** Youngsters in Govan at launch

**A POT of money has been made available for projects for young people in Glasgow as part of the Commonwealth Games legacy.**

The Gold Medal Programme, run by Glasgow Housing Association and Cube Housing Association, is to encourage pupils to try a new sport or get involved in cultural activities.

It is being run in conjunction with Glasgow City Council.

Primary, secondary and special needs schools have been invited to bid for a slice of the £55,000 fund.

Bids have to be for projects which involve youngsters from GHA or Cube areas in the city.

Councillor Archie Graham said: "The

**By Cordelia O'Neill**

news-sport@theglaswegian.com

2014 Games legacy is very important to the city and I'm delighted our schools will be able to utilise this fabulous Gold Medal programme.

"Schools should think of events and activities that will actively encourage their pupils to take part in a new sport or cultural project.

"Our young people are very imaginative and I know that they will devise a number of interesting proposals to bid for the funds."

Bids can be submitted by secondary schools on behalf of any school in their community. The closing date for bids is Monday, April 29.

**Family fun..** Linda Carrigan and her son Lee and Catherine Queen and son Pierce



**Eyespy..** Heather Robertson, whose son Dylan attends school, with her daughter Lilly at fair



**Through the lens..** Pupil tries out a telescope at the science fair



**Harveys**  
 & retail furniture  
 GIVING YOU MORE  
 FOR LESS

MERCHANT CITY & FORGE FACTORY OUTLET  
 **20% OFF ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING**  
 WIDE RANGE OF FURNITURE  
 IN STOCK TO TAKE AWAY TODAY



THIS WEEKEND DINING RANGES  
 FROM **£299** LESS THAN **£7** PER MONTH



THIS WEEKEND CORNER GROUPS  
 FROM **£599** LESS THAN **£13** PER MONTH



THIS WEEKEND LEATHER SOFAS  
 FROM **£299** LESS THAN **£7** PER MONTH



THIS WEEKEND FABRIC SOFAS  
 FROM **£199** LESS THAN **£5** PER MONTH

**DON'T MISS OUT, VISIT US THIS WEEKEND**  
 MERCHANT CITY, Bells Street, Glasgow, G1 1LX. Tel: 0141 552 5313  
 FORGE, Forge Retail Park, 951 Gallowgate, Glasgow, G31 4BW. Tel: 0141 554 8744

**4 YEARS INTEREST FREE ON EVERYTHING\*** UP TO 4 YEARS FREE CREDIT PAY NO INTEREST. \*4 years interest free credit. \*\*Representative example. Cash price £488. 48 equal monthly payments of £11.23. Total payable £499. Credit subject to status. UK residents 18 years or over. Credit provided by KARU Financial Services, Waterford House, Station Street, Morningside, M2 3DD. \*Interest free term up to a maximum of 48 months. Please call in store for details. Excludes shows for illustrative purposes only. Not all products available in all stores. Limited stock available. Discount already applied to prices shown.

harveysfurniture.co.uk

0141 552 5313 or 0141 554 8744

@HarveysHQ

/harveysfurniture

## Chico has a skate time getting ready for show

X-FACTOR star Chico brushed up on his skating as he prepared to take part in the Celebrities on Ice Tour.

Chico, who came third in last year's Dancing on Ice, will join a host of other celebrities at Braehead Arena for their only Scottish shows on May 3, 4 and 5.

This year's winner Beth Tweddle and runner up Matt Lapinskas are also appearing in the show which is hosted by Christopher Biggins.

Chico was in Glasgow

appearing in the Boogie Nights show and visited Braehead Arena for some extra practice on the ice.

And he got some tips from the ice hockey players with the Braehead Clan Elite League team.

Chico said: "When I was competing in Dancing on Ice, I was practising for seven hours a day, five or six days a week for four months."

"I had never skated before and I had to put in all these hours to get to a decent standard. Since then

I've been very busy and not been able to get on the ice as much as I would have liked.

"If you are away from skating you need to get in some practice to get back to the level you were at."

"Ever since I fell in love with skating, ice hockey is a sport I'd love to get into."

Celebrities on Ice tickets are available from the Braehead Arena ticket hotline on 0844 499 1700, the Arena box office and online at [www.braehead-arena.co.uk](http://www.braehead-arena.co.uk)



**Goal!..** Chico gets in some time on the ice and picks up tips from the Clan ice hockey players

# Appliance of science

## EXCLUSIVE

By Ben Spencer

b.spencer@theglaswegian.com

PROFESSOR Brian Cox stunned staff at a school for kids with special needs when he sent them a personal video message wishing them luck with their first-ever science fair.

The TV presenter was told by staff at Isobel Mair School in Newton Mearns that they were holding the fair as part of National Science and Engineering Week.

So he filmed a video message for delighted teachers and kids at the school telling them to "have an excellent and successful science fair".

Head teacher Mari Wallace said: "We were delighted by the message from Professor Cox and the school are filming a thank you message back to him."

"The science fair has been a great learning experience for the youngsters."

"It's not just about developing an understanding of science but also about teamwork and problem solving, which is so important to children with additional support needs."

"We started off quite low key, but like everything at the school we had to go one better."

"Everyone has worked so hard. I'm delighted with all the teaching staff and the support staff and all the effort they have put in to arrange this."

The school caters for kids aged



**On message..** Teachers Sarah-May Philo, Joanne Simpson, Hazel Allingham and principal Julia Haugh-Reid with Professor Cox's video

five to 18 dealing with severe and complex needs.

At the science fair they were able to tackle a challenge to create a vehicle from a scrapheap that would travel the furthest in the playground on a straight course.

They also enjoyed experiments such as making rockets with water and alka seltzer and creating cucumber massage cream.

A range of robots and igloos the kids had made were on display and pupils got the chance to experiment with buoyancy and try out kaleidoscopes and telescopes.

There was also a CSI-style workshop and chemistry lab.

Principal teacher Julia Haugh-Reid said: "There are more than 100 kids at the school and each table has been put together by a class. A large percentage of the kids are non-verbal, so it's about

trying to find stuff that they can engage with."

Catherine Queen, of Newton Mearns, was at the event to see her son Pierce, 10.

She said: "It's lovely to come along and see what the children are doing at school."

"The school do a fabulous job and it's great that they try to get the parents involved."

"When Pierce started I had real concerns about his academics and if they would slip, but it's been the opposite."

Linda Carrigan, of Giffnock, said her son Lee, 13, enjoyed the fair.

She added: "I think it's fantastic. The kids have really enjoyed it and because the school have brought us in the kids have been even more excited about it."

"The staff really do care about the kids here which is great."

'The fair has been great for the youngsters'



**Robot man..** Pupil with one of the exhibits

**JILDENT CLINIC**

- £ 699 (£1700) Dental Implant, with titanium abutment (SIC)
- £ 199 (£500) Porcelain Crown fused to metal (Vita)
- £ 299 (£700) Zirconium Crown (Zenotec)

The second prices are average prices of treatment in the UK!

Visit Hungary, and get your smile back!

We are specialists in aesthetic dentistry and dental implantation since 1992.

You can save up to 60% on your dental treatments performed in Hungary, while visiting the beautiful city of Budapest!

Contact us now!

Istvan "Stephen" Szep  
07 587 547 394  
contact@jildent.com  
www.jildent.com

Now an additional 20% discount for the first 3 patients from Glasgow! Book a date today! - Stephen