Solway Community Technology College - Sports Hall Opening

The possibility of a new Community Sports Hall for Silloth was mooted by Bill Allison, Chairman of Silloth Regeneration Partnership who had read about the opportunity to gain funding from the 'New Opportunity' fund. He approached Colin Campbell at **Solway Community** Technology College and suggested they work together towards achieving a successful funding bid. Indeed, the initial funding of feasibility studies, etc, was all paid for by Silloth Regeneration Partnership.

Colin Campbell and his team at the school soon took the lead over the fundraising effort and further finance was won through the 'Big Lottery Fund' and the School was given permission for final planning and construction. The hall was first in use in October 2006.

At a cost of £1.3 million, the hall boasts a full size Tennis Court, incorporating four Badminton Courts. The Hall also accommodates Five-A-Side Football, Hockey, Table Tennis, Basketball, Netball, Volleyball, Cricket, Gymnastics, Aerobics, Indoor Bowls and Trampolining.

The Hall has become a significant focal



Richard Caborn proved adept at table tennis



A valiant attempt, but not as high as the pupils manage

point, not only within Silloth itself, but also the surrounding area. The local secondary and primary school both use the hall on a daily basis and many local clubs and associations also take advantage of this excellent new facility, including; Silloth RUFC, Silloth AFC, Abbeytown Badminton, Silloth Tennis, Over 35's Five-A-Side and Abbeytown FC.

In its short life, the hall has already played host to regional sporting events such as County Netball, County Hockey and Cumbria Sport activities.

Tony Cunningham MP and Richard Caborn MP, Minister for Sport, appeared to thoroughly enjoy their visit. Colin Campbell, Deputy Headmaster and Susie Shepherd, Headmaster both told of how much the Sports Hall was helping all aspects of school life. During their tour of the hall, Richard Caborn took every opportunity to try out the equipment and spoke to pupils and staff.



Many pupils put on an energetic show for their visitors



Everyone wanted into the photoshoot



Talking to the guests



Richard Caborn having the activities explained by PE Teacher Sandy Brown

Situation Vacant SPORTS HALL ASSISTANT

£5.92 per hour Solway Community Technology College Liddell Street, Silloth, WIGTON, CA7 4DD. Age Range: 11-16

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The school is seeking to appoint a **Sports Hall Assistant to assist with** the administration, organisation and promotion of events and activities to be held in the centre.

To deal with enquiries and bookings for the centre from members of the community in line with the centres' procedures in a professional manner.

The post hours are open to negotiation but evening, weekend and school holiday work will be required.

Applications and further details are available from the Business Manager on 016973 31234

Closing Date: 15th June 2007 Disability Symbol User: YES Cumbria County Council Equal Opps Policy: YES Catholic School: North West Catholic Diocese Equal Equal Opps Policy: NO

Description: Non-Teaching - Secondary Schools



Grand Turk visits Silloth

Arriving 22nd, Departing 26th June Open to the public during the day

