

# Health & Safety Competition Gets The Children Motivated

Staff in Manchester recently held a talk at Ravensbury Community School to highlight the dangers of working on a building site and environmental issues. The school which is opposite the Ilk Street Demolition Site (part of the HIF Framework) were delighted with the talk and when the children were asked to design a poster promoting the dangers of working on a building site and protecting the environment they were really excited especially as the first prize was a mountain bike.

Below is a letter of thanks from the school together with the winning posters.

  

**Ravensbury Community School**  
Headteacher: L. Shaw R.E.C. (Hons.)  
*"The commitment and the culture of the school to meet the needs of all its pupils are excellent" Ofsted 2004*

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Dear Ms Henshall,

We were delighted when the contractors from GB Building Solutions Ltd approached us asking if they could launch a health and safety competition at Ravensbury Community School. We were really pleased that they wanted to be part of our community and whole heartedly accepted. The competition fitted in beautifully with the work we were already doing in school and enhanced the children's understanding of the importance of keeping themselves safe. The children were fascinated by the people who came in to assembly to talk to them; about the jobs they did and what they were going to be doing on the building site. All the pupils were really excited at the prospect of winning a mountain bike and immediately set to work designing a poster to promote the dangers of building sites and highlighting the importance of looking after the environment. We were inundated with entries; the standard was extremely high, but after a great deal of deliberation we were finally able to choose two winners.

On behalf of all the staff and children at Ravensbury, I would like to thank GB Building Solutions Ltd for everything they have done and hope that if they were ever in the area, they would pop in to see us.

Regards,  
Maureen Hughes  
Assistant Headteacher

