

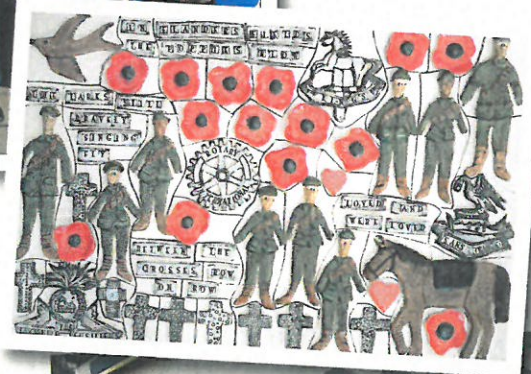
ROTARY CLUB OF LIVERPOOL ST. VINCENT

SIGHTBOX

In 2015 the Rotary Club of Liverpool St.Vincent's started on a journey to commemorate sightloss in the Great War with the pupils of St.Vincent's school for visual impairment (VI) and the 'Never Such Innocence' campaign. The Journey to leave a lasting legacy has seen Rotary celebrated at the schools award of 'Freedom of the City' of Liverpool attended by past DG Les Wilson and Tony Cotton, at the schools participation in the Roscoe Lectures and at the Corporate Award given from Liverpool John Moores University attended by DG Beryl Cotton.

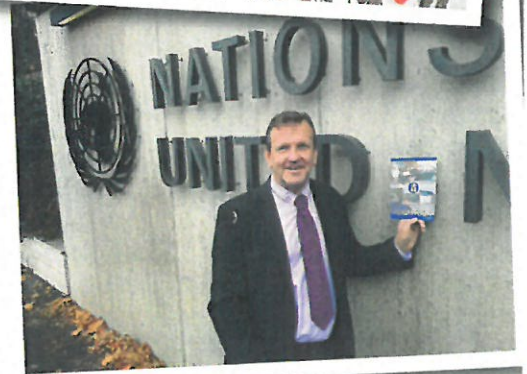
Part of that Journey came to a conclusion in January 2018 at the Catholic Independent Schools (CISC) National Conference in Liverpool when pupils from St.Vincent's and All Saints Primary Anfield presented their ceramic work to the City of Liverpool represented by the Lord Mayor Cllr Malcolm Kennedy and as ambassador of Liverpool creativity, writer Jimmy McGovern attended by Assistant DG David Hartley

The lasting legacy continues however. With some 6 million VI children in the world with less than 10% having access to education Rotary St.Vincent's with kind support from District 1180 has been sending 'sightboxes' containing access to sports and education equipment to VI pupils around the world. To date we have reached Pakistan, Nepal, Sierra Leone, Rwanda, Gambia and India with requests for more flooding in. Attending the Rotary Sustainable Development Goals conference at the UN in Geneva, club members Dr Patterson and David Benbow got to share our vision to assist VI children around the world with education to General Secretary John Hewko and President Ian Riseley. It is encouraging to note that under John Hewko Rotary International signed a one year agreement with the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB) with their Vice President Dame Victoria Sheffield where clubs and partner and provide access to continuous eye care and blindness prevention . Perhaps we can offer



some of the educational assistance from 1180 with Sightbox?

We want to share our vision as it develops with District 1180 and collectively our wider school communities. As such, we extend a warm invitation to our Charter Night on 28th April at St.Vincent's School where we would like to share the impact 'joined up' Rotary has had on the life chances for VI children. Please follow our story on @sightboxuk or for Charter Night details contact johnp@stvin.com



President Humayun Mirza, Rotary St.Vincent's

ROTARY CLUB OF LLANDUDNO

FOLK FROM DOWN UNDER REACH THE TOP

Rotary operates in over 200 countries of the world.

In many countries Rotary Clubs group together to sponsor young professional people – who may or may not have connections with Rotary – to visit another country for a month, to meet people of their own vocation and see how the job is done in another part of the world.

Rotary in the country of origin pays the travel and the receiving country hosts and entertains the visitors, as well as organising a programme of educational and cultural visits.

In September/October, five teachers and principals from Queensland, Australia have been in Merseyside and North Wales and after a hectic schedule visiting schools and meeting fellow educationalists, last week-end saw some welcome "down-time" in Llandudno.

Llandudno Rotary was pleased to meet their request to see the scenic outdoors with a 6 mile hike around the Great Orme, followed by a well-



earned late lunch at Kava's. Good fellowship.

You can see who the team are, and full details of their visit here

Four of the five visitors from Queensland, accompanied by some members of Llandudno Rotary, are seen here at the Summit, at the half-way point of their walk round the Great Orme

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If YOU would like to be part of an International Exchange such as this, get in touch llandudnorotary@gmail.com

