

# Sebert Wood News

## OLYMPIC ATHLETE IN SCHOOL

On Thursday 27 February we held an exciting sports fundraising event through the Sports for Schools organisation. Everyone was very excited about the visit of Joanne Jackson, a 3 times Olympic Athlete and Bronze medal winner at the Beijing Olympics. We were not disappointed, as not only were her past achievements incredibly impressive, she was also a very inspiring and interesting person. All the children from Reception to Year 4 took part in four, one minute sponsored exercises and their enthusiasm and hard work was clear to see. In total we raised an amazing £2800, most of which is used by the school to buy sports equipment, with a percentage going towards the charity Action for Children and the remainder going to support the work of up and coming athletes through the Sports for Schools support programme. (Details of how the money is spent will follow). At the end of Joanne's visit an assembly was held at which Joanne spoke inspirationally to all the children about her path to success, her achievements and experiences at the highest level in sport and she inspired the children to make sure they put 100% into everything they do. The comments below give you an idea of how much the children enjoyed taking part.

*"I really enjoyed doing the 'spotty dogs' and 'star jump' exercises with Joanne"*

Chloe Campbell, Year 4

*"It was really exciting to meet an Olympic athlete and I enjoyed doing the press ups"*

Cameron Titchiner, Year 3

*"I got lots of sponsors and the exercises were fun but tiring"*

Martha Johnson, Year 2

*"The athlete was fun because she told us all about her career, its made me want to do swimming as well"*

Harrison Murphy, Year 1

*"My best bit was the star jumps, they were fun"*

Charlotte Everett, Reception.

