

Young Ambassadors visit the Olympic Site

On the 24th February, with 884 days to go until the opening ceremony of the London 2012 Olympic Games, two of the Young Ambassadors and two Young Ambassador Mentors visited the Olympic park viewing point.



After climbing 21 floors in the lift, we reached the top of the tower block to see the complete view of the Olympic site. It's hard to imagine how in just under 3 years, the current building site will be transformed into world class sporting facilities but our guide promised us it would and that London was in fact ahead of schedule!



The weather wasn't brilliant for looking at a view but none the less, it didn't disappoint. From such a height you can see everything and all the work that's going on. The main stadium stands out as a huge, clear structure that when finished will have the capacity to seat 80,000 people. There is so much more than just the world class sporting facilities been built for London 2012 and beyond though; the transport in the area is being completely overturned as well as a massive new shopping centre, with recreational parks and plenty of green space with 8000 trees being planted!



When the Olympics come to London in August 2012, the whole world's attention will be focused on the sporting event taking place in our city, and even when the athletes have been and gone the Olympic Committee are working hard to ensure the legacy of the games remains. Legacy is a word we hear so often when talking about Olympics but this trip to the Olympic Park certainly persuaded me about the 'legacy' that will be left. By the legacy of the Games, they mean the future of the facilities and the opportunities that will be left behind by the games for the local people. The visit to the Park informed me of how seriously the people in charge are taking their job to ensure that ordinary people like you and I will benefit from these games!

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