

## Pupils and teachers join together for Sport Relief 2016

Sport Relief is back and Percy Shurmer Academy is three-legging its way to fundraising for the big event.

Pupils and teachers from the primary school in Birmingham quite literally joined together to encourage schools across the West Midlands to do their bit and get fundraising.

Tied at the ankles, pupils and teachers completed a three-legged Mile to show just how easy it is to get involved.

Omayer Yahya, aged 10 said, "It was a bit difficult because Mr Gray is a lot taller than me but after a few falls we managed to stay on our feet to complete the Mile.

"Taking part in Sport Relief is lots of fun. It makes me feel really proud that we are helping people who have really tough lives."

Like Percy Shurmer Academy, hundreds of schools across the region will be doing the Sport Relief Mile on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Teachers can get started by signing up for a free school fundraising kit. It's full of fundraising ideas, posters, balloons and stickers, as well as learning resources to help pupils understand where the money goes. Just head to sportrelief.com/schools

There are lots of ways to get involved: at school, in the workplace and in the local area. From Friday 18th to Sunday 20th March 2016 the Sainsbury's Sport Relief Games are back and the whole of the West Midlands will walk, run, swim or cycle itself proud to raise vital cash to help people living incredibly tough lives. In fact, half of all the money raised by the public is spent right here in the UK, with the other half used to make a difference in the world's poorest communities. Sign up now at sportrelief.com

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## Notes to Editor

Sport Relief brings the entire nation together to get active, raise cash and change lives. Since 2002, Sport Relief has raised over £262 million. The money raised by the public is spent by Comic Relief to help people living incredibly tough lives, across the UK and the world's poorest communities. It all leads up to the Sport Relief weekend and an unmissable night of TV on the BBC, broadcasting live from Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

The Sainsbury's Sport Relief Games will take place from Friday 18th to Sunday 20th March 2016. You can run, swim, cycle or even walk yourself proud at events across the country. There's a distance for everyone, whether you're sporty or not. Find out more at <u>www.sportrelief.com</u>

Sport Relief is an initiative of Comic Relief, registered charity 326568 (England/Wales); SC039730 (Scotland).