



TRANSFORMING DERELICTION INTO DESIGN: L - R: Ali Moslemzadeh, Sameh Salim, Mariam Abdullah, Daniel Creighton, and Petra Benekova are impressed by the community allotment Growing Granby have created out of abandoned land

Returning Toxteth to fields

By Ali Moslemzadeh, reporting from Growing Granby

IT was Thursday, 19 April 2012 and some of Year 5 went out to Growing Granby to learn about the things they grow.

The woman who assisted them was called Jean and she told them about the plants and one of the plants she showed us was the chicory plant and Miss Clif-

ton ate some of it and it wasn't even washed. EEEEE!!!

Did you know that a patch of planted potatoes next to each other is called a drill?

After a while we went to look at the vegetables and we were really amazed about the amount of fruit and vegetables they had.

They had, garlic, apple trees, strawberries, blackberries, peas, and carrots. Finally Jean told

us, "there used to be 99 to 105 houses on this land". After one hour and forty minutes we returned to school with lots of interesting facts.

Then Jean showed us two old maps the small one was made in 1850 and the big one was made in 1678. THAT IS OLD!!!

Now you're probably thinking what has that got to do with growing Granby, well it does be-

cause Jean showed us that so we know that in the olden days Toxteth was all fields.

She was trying to tell us that there isn't any more of the fields with fruit so they built Growing Granby.

In the end Jean told us that she was 72 years old. SHE IS THE OLDEST LADY I HAVE SEEN IN MY LIFE!!!

Creating beauty from bricks

By Sameh Salim, reporting from Growing Granby

JEAN Grant has been working in the Growing Granby garden and half of Year 5 have been interviewing her and her friend Anna.

Anna had been growing vegetables, especially potatoes.

Anna said that she loved potatoes and that was why she planted them. She planted them in drills.

Anna and Jean planted veg-

etable sections and fruit sections and also pretty flowers. They were wonderful.

Jean Grant has also been growing sedum flowers that happen to grow on mountains. Anna grows garlic, cabbage, broccoli and strawberry.

Jean Grant thinks planting makes her responsible.

Anna said that the Growing Granby site used to have massive houses on it which were numbered from 99 to 105 houses.



DRILLING: Sameh learns about growing potatoes from Anna

Jean Grant said she had a really old, old map to show us which showed the old times when Growing Granby was filled with fields.

She told us that she had a little version of the map. She told us that the big map was made in 1678. It was quite old.

We had so much fun and Jean really loved coming in to Kingsley Community School.