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## School children get special visit from Southport NPT

The Southport NPT visited the Grange Primary School recently to give the children a short presentation on rail safety

Using a model railway the children were asked to find, and managed to locate, all the dangers.

We had a fantastic response from the children.

The team also visited Holy Family Catholic Primary School and Formby High School both had a railway safety presentation from PSCO Wally Cox and PC Paul Tozer.

PSCO Cox said “The aspect of safety is very important. The railway can be very dangerous; lives are lost on the railway and it is vital young adults act sensibly when travelling on the rail network.

“Certainly, during the Christmas holiday period, it is very important that children stay safe on the railway. Getting this message across is vital.

“The Southport team is determined to ensure children across our area understand and take responsibility for their own actions whenever they are on or near the railway.”



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## Christmas initiative

During the very busy Christmas period we will be working closely with our colleagues from Liverpool Transport Police and with Merseyside Police. In order to ensure: -

- The underground and the rail network is a safe place for the travelling public and the staff.
- Appropriately prevent and deter crimes across the network and take reasonable steps to apprehend offenders if a crime has been committed and ensure an effective response.
- Minimise disruption as much as possible to passenger's journeys on the rail network.
- Work effectively with partner agencies to ensure an effective response to incidents
- Provide reassurance, advice and assistance to rail and underground passengers and staff.

All these initiative and more will be of utmost importance during this festive season.

## Local policing priorities: What has the team been doing?

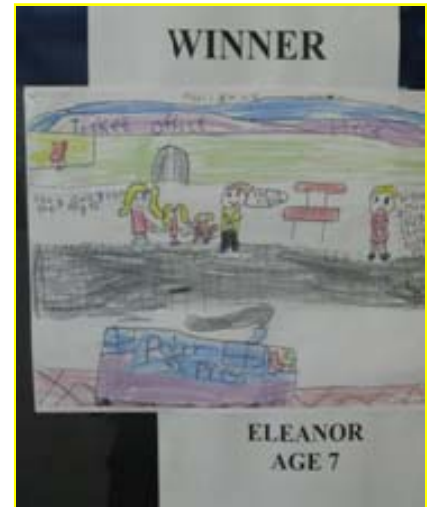
The past few months have been extremely busy for all on the Southport Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Here is a flavour of the things we have been up to:

### Christmas competition

The Christmas competition had a fantastic response.

We would like to thank all the children who took their time and effort to create the lovely railway safety pictures. Congratulations to the winner Eleanor aged seven.



### Children in need

PC Linda Nixon and PC Jane McGee kept Pudsey company on Southport station. The Round Table collected donations for children in need.

### Birkdale Model Railway

The Southport neighbourhood team attended the Birkdale model railway exhibition. The team was invited back to this annual event having attended in 2010.

This event allows for greater connections within our neighbourhood.

Members of the public can see the fabulous model we utilise at

schools and clubs whenever we go out to meet children.

PC Jane McGee said "It is great that we have been invited back not only to make sure our model is up to standard, but to highlight the use of our educational asset that assists in getting the safety message across."

Feel free to contact our neighbourhood team if you would like a safety talk or if you would like our railway safety model to be utilised at your event or school. Full contact details are below.

## Forthcoming events and surgeries

The surgeries and PACT meetings for 2012 are in the process of being arranged.

## Your Neighbourhood Policing Team

**Inspector:** Gary Jones

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