

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Macclesfield children's Fairtrade posters go on display at shopping centre**

Children from 11 different primary schools across Macclesfield will have their creativity on show at the town's Grosvenor Shopping Centre over the next few weeks, as the centre welcomes Macclesfield Fairtrade Town Group to mark the end of 'Fairtrade Fortnight'.

As part of the national campaign, children between ages 4 and 11 created a range of fantastic Fairtrade posters to help raise awareness of the issue and in particular focus on the farmers and workers behind the supply of our food. Originally on display at Macclesfield library, there will now be another chance to see these works of art as they are exhibited at Grosvenor Shopping Centre for the next three weeks.

Ed Kennedy, Centre Manager at Grosvenor Shopping Centre, said he couldn't wait to welcome Macclesfield Fairtrade Town Group. "Creating Fairtrade posters is something that primary school children across Macclesfield look forward to every year. We're looking forward to displaying the posters in the centre that the children have worked so hard on, and to help Macclesfield Fairtrade Town Group celebrate their tenth birthday.

"We're proud to be giving people of the town another chance to see these brilliant posters," he said, "and it will be great to see the children and proud parents coming into the centre to view the work."

Keith Taylor, of Macclesfield Fairtrade Town Group, said he was delighted that the posters would be on display at the Grosvenor Centre. "2016 is a landmark year for Fairtrade," he said. "The Fairtrade mark itself is celebrating 21 years and Macclesfield has been a Fairtrade town for the last 10 of those.

“I’m thrilled that the posters that the children worked so hard on will now be seen by even more people, and from all of us here at Macclesfield Fairtrade Town Group I want to say a big ‘thank you’ to everyone at the centre.”

Pic Cap: Children from Puss Bank school, one of the 11 primary schools who took part in the Fairtrade Poster Display in the Gallery at Macclesfield Library, pictures with Macclesfield Town Mayor Cllr Liz Durham (third from left) and East Cheshire Mayor Cllr Hilda Gaddum (right).

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