

## **CEDRIC KIPRE AND CHEY DUNKLEY BACK THE DAILY MILE CAMPAIGN**

The Daily Mile – a social physical activity that sees primary school children run or jog 15 minutes a day at their own pace – has been backed by Wigan Athletic’s central defensive duo of Cedric Kipre and Chey Dunkley.

The pair, who have started every single league game for Paul Cook’s side so far this term, recently visited Woodfield Primary School to take part in the Daily Mile with pupils in Year 4, as well as enjoying a Premier League Primary Stars session, where children improved their football skills.

Aiming to better the physical, social, emotional and mental health of children across the United Kingdom, regardless of age, ability or personal circumstances, the Daily Mile improves youngsters’ health and wellbeing, with Wigan Athletic Community Trust supporting more than 10 schools to deliver the initiative.

Latics Owner and Life President Dave Whelan officially opened Woodfield’s Daily Mile running track in June 2016, which was created courtesy of a grant he provided the school.

Chey said: “The Daily Mile is an absolutely brilliant scheme. There’s nothing better than keeping active, so to instil those values into children at such a young age will only benefit them as they go through life. It was a real pleasure to visit the school to see just how successful the initiative has been for the pupils.”

Pioneered across the borough by Wigan Council and Inspiring healthy lifestyles, Latics’ academy players also showed their support for the scheme last season by visiting the school in December.

Anna Prior, Head Teacher at Woodfield Primary School, said: “The Daily Mile is an absolute integral part of Woodfield life and to have Cedric and Chey join us was so special. They were brilliant with the pupils who were just totally inspired and motivated by their visit.

She added: “Primary school is all about giving children experiences they can hold with them for the rest of their lives and this visit has definitely been one of those moments. They’ll never forget the day when they played football with two famous players from Wigan Athletic.”

For more information about Wigan Athletic Community Trust’s Premier League Primary Stars project, please email Gareth Nolan on [g.nolan@wiganathletic.com](mailto:g.nolan@wiganathletic.com) or call 01942 318090.