

## Corkey House and Harmony Primary 'Building Relationships'

Corkey House (Presbyterian Board of Social Witness) residents and children from nearby Harmony Primary school embarked on this intergenerational project offering an opportunity for the otherwise disengaged groups to meet. The home had been subject to incidents of nuisance in the past from local school children such as golf balls being thrown at window and burning paper set on window sills. The aim of the project was to link with the school to educate the children about the home's purpose, introduce them to the older people and to hold art sessions over a six week period finally producing a piece of art for both Harmony Primary and Corkey House. The first session involved the children bringing along images they had drawn which they felt represented older people. It was decided that the art technique would be textiles with both younger and older participating in the production over the six sessions. The final artwork was unveiled at a celebration event in Corkey House and attended by Belfast Lord Mayor Pat Convery who spoke in support of the work of LGNI.

