

HEALTHY SCHOOLS TASK FORCE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 16th January 2009

Present:

Mrs Lamb	Mrs Lee	Mrs Fairweather
Mrs Folkes	Georgia Collins, 7T	Catherine Gare, 7T
Thomas Jarvis, 8T	Loren Ttakoushis, 11E	Michael Preedy, 10T
Joel Kass, 10N	Jake Scott, 10T	Lauren Davis, 9A
Curtis Green, 10N	Jack Philpott, 10E	Aden Cleary, 9N
Lewis Taylor, 9N	Tahlia Weller, 8D	Tayla Toby, 8D
Samuel McCormick, 11E		

Apologies: Miss Daniels

1. Feedback from Catering Committee

It was suggested sandwiches are sold from the window rather than having to queue in the normal way. Sandwiches need to be kept refrigerated and at the moment there is a problem with the fridges being too far from the window.

There are 14 ingredients which need to be looked at (i.e. amount of salt, etc) in school meals. Debbie currently working on new recipes.

Looking at possibility of having school allotment – will be written into the School Development Plan.

2. Jack Petchey Award

Michael Preedy was given an award last term for all his hard work in support of the Healthy Schools Task Force which Mrs Lamb thanked him for. He has been a reliable and pro-active member of the group for the past three years. Some of the money will go to Healthy Schools.

3. Drugsline

Drugsline are a charity that do an enormous amount of work with our school and their talks leave a lasting impact on our students. They do however rely on donations and there may not be enough money available in the PC budget to give a donation this year. Mrs Lamb suggested we as a group do some fundraising for Drugsline. Mrs Lamb will make announcements in assemblies that we are looking to raise funds for them. It was suggested by HSTF members that School Council be approached to donate some money. Loren will raise it at the next School Council meeting.

It was suggested HSTF members do a whole day's sponsored silence – Mrs Lee will produce sponsor forms and labels. Joel offered to produce a poster.

Other fundraising events discussed – School Rock Band one lunchtime in the gymnasium – people pay to enter, Busking round school.

4. Berty Bank

Mrs Lamb still waiting for someone to come in and speak to the staff and students about what to put into Berty Bank and how to bag it up. There will be two workshops for HSTF members to attend. Some of the lost property (which isn't good enough to be sold) will be able to go into it. Also off-cuts from textiles could go into it.

5. Recycling

We are generating too much waste for the number of bins we have. We have requested more bins to be brought onto site. Epping Forest council only collect once a fortnight. HSTF members have not been very good at supervising the recycling carried out by Year 7's. Michael and Joel volunteered to do this. Mrs Lee suggested having a list of all rooms/areas where recycling needs to be collected from and ticking these off each week when collected. Mr Morris should be able to provide this.

6. Website Ideas

Mrs Lamb and Mrs Lee feel the Healthy Schools website is now out of date and lots of new ideas are needed. Suggestions were:

Berty Bank – Loren to write an article.

Outdoor Pursuits trip – Mrs Lee still has photographs – can put them on in gallery format.

Drugline – article plus a link to their website – write about fundraising by HSTF members

2 Smart 4 Drugs – article needed

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7. Any Other Business

Ongoing issue with toilets – not enough of them open – and the ones that are in poor state due to vandalism. PA has pledged £4,000 for refurbishment of the toilets.

Davenant's Got Talent – PA event which staff and students can take part in – all money raised will be going to School Council.