

Bude Infant School

Healthy Eating – Criterion 6

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School Details and Context

N.O.R. 212

Bude – town of north coast with main industry tourism.

How was the need identified

The school were fed up with the food that the contractor for meals was providing. Numbers were dropping and parents' complaints were numerous. Children voted with their feet and questionnaires bore out this opinion.

Chosen Criteria

Healthy Eating

Steps taken to meet the criteria

1. School took over the catering arrangements. Appointed a Catering Manager.
2. Local businesses were approached to supply produce – fresh and daily.
3. Children involved in discussion menus.
4. Parents questionnaire for their views.
5. Publications taken note of especially relating to health issues.

Who was involved in the process

Staff, parents, children, governors.

Headteacher and Catering Manager visited schools to see what they did. Very few schools in Cornwall run their own canteens.

Outcomes/impact on pupils and the wider community

1. School meals numbers have almost doubled since September.
2. Children talk enthusiastically about food and have voted for 2 roast meals per week and only 1 “chip day” per week.
3. School/County are to refurbish the schools kitchen – this will then also be a place for the children to use for their own Food Technology.
4. Using local produce etc. for the town has further affirmed our place as a Community School.