

Assessment of the Swansea Healthy Schools Scheme

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Evidence

A huge amount of work was evident for all actions throughout the school. A lengthy informative information sharing session with the head teacher and co-ordinator supported my judgement that the school was very enthusiastic about the "Healthy Schools" scheme and pro active throughout the school year promoting and achieving the actions set. Evidence of the action plan as part of the school development plan gives the scheme a sense of being central in the ethos of school life.

The positive approach was further compounded by the attitude and enthusiasm of the children, parents, governors and staff met during the assessment. Children from all classes were obviously very proud of their school and articulated well their opinions on what had been achieved across the school, using examples to illustrate points from their personal experiences. Other evidence to support my overall judgement included, portfolio's, displays, testimonials from school staff, tour of the outdoor environment and a fabulous dance sharing assembly experience!!!!!!!!!!!!

Action 1 Smokebugs

This action has obviously had a great impact on the school which was demonstrated through the work displayed. The children showed complete ownership by being able to articulate to me the purpose, successes and future plans for the smoke bug project. The evidence for this action was seen in portfolios and recounts from the children. This is a key message and is obviously very important to the school. The way the project has been planned ensures that it becomes part of the school curriculum and therefore embedded in school practice.

The most powerful piece of evidence for this action was the ease and pride with which the children talked about their school and all the wonderful experiences and activities that take place.

Action 2 – Dental Hygiene

A successful project on Dental Hygiene is evident through portfolios, Art Work children's work and photographs. The children have a huge amount of knowledge and demonstrate a greater awareness of Dental Hygiene which has showed impact in school and at home, evidenced through parent comments. Portfolio evidence demonstrates the schools positive pro active approach to dental hygiene and the children articulated well their opinions and attitude to this action when questioned about its contribution to well being in general. This particular action is now seen as part of the daily routine in the Foundation Phase and will continue to permeate through each class.