

*Beckenham Primary School
Student Representative Council*

invites

Parents from other countries

to a

Shared Lunch



at the

Beckenham Community Church Hall

(corner of Saturn and Streatham Streets)

on

Thursday, December 2, 2010

11.30am – 2.30pm

We have received funds to hold a multicultural and multi-age lunch where we can get together with other members of our school community.

Knowing people in our community and doing things together makes it a safer and friendlier place for us all.

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When we arrived at the church, we saw graffiti all over the front door, walls and floors.

We decided to clean it up as much as we could before our guests arrived.





Mrs Hearman explained our roles as hosts for the lunch. We practised how to introduce ourselves and how to make everyone feel welcome. We discussed the menu and which groups we would like to work in so that we could share jobs.

Mrs Harper showed us how to make muffin pizzas with tomato paste, tomatoes, capsicum, pineapple, and cheese. Then it was our turn to work together.



Elizabeth and Carissa made more muffins with Miss Joy and one of our parents.

Mrs Hearman's group made a colourful fruit salad with watermelon, strawberries, kiwi fruit, oranges, apples and nectarines. We met Mrs Ince who knew some of our teachers from when her children went to our school.



Next we made lots of sandwiches with eggs, lettuce, carrot, salmon, chicken, red onion and tomatoes. Mrs Harper showed us how to make a garnish with snow pea sprouts. We were starting to feel hungry. More guests started to arrive.



We made chocolate weetbix balls with Mrs White and her daughter-in-law from the Philippines. They were made with condensed milk, coconut, cocoa and weetbix. They were very sticky and we all had trouble making round balls that would stay on the tray.

Next we made the watermelon salad with red onion, watermelon and fresh mint.



Mrs Hearman explained how the student council represents all students at our school and about our role as the Advisory Committee for the Commissioner for Children and Young People. Mark and Lauren thanked everyone for coming and hoped everyone would enjoy the lunch that we had prepared together. It was time to enjoy the delicious food.



After lunch we chatted to some of our guests. Mrs White told us she was first married when she was 17. When she was married the second time, she went all around Australia in a caravan.



REASONS WHY THE COMMUNITY LUNCH WAS VERY SPECIAL

- We got to know other people in our community.
- Some people found out that they lived close to each other and can be friends.
- We realize that older people want to have fun as well.
- Older people have dreams too.
- No matter how old you are, you still want to be treated like everybody else.
- We learnt how to make lots of different foods that are tasty and healthy.
- It was good to do something for someone else.
- It was good to clean up all that graffiti.
- We all got on well together, even though we had just met each other.
- It's fun to do things together.
- Older people were surprised by what kids do at school today.
- The older people got to know our personalities and feelings.