

Blackfen School for Girls



Fairtrade Policy

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Blackfen School for Girls is committed to supporting Fairtrade wherever possible. Fairtrade is about guaranteeing a better deal for lesser economically developed countries.

The school will:

1. Agree to use Fair-trade tea, coffee, sugar and biscuits products wherever possible:
 - In particular, we will strive to use these products in the staffroom, during Parents Evenings and at staff training events – This will be overseen by the Staff Well Being Committee.
2. Support Fairtrade fortnight by:
 - Hosting Fairtrade Assemblies, Community Time activities and healthy food stalls.
3. Ensure Fairtrade is taught in:
 - Citizenship, Science, Geography and Gov & Politics, SPCS.
 - Actively seek to teach Fairtrade in a wide range of subjects.
4. Support the Fairtrade Steering Group.
6. Continue to liaise with the School Uniform Company to determine whether the uniforms are made with Fairtrade cotton – if this is not possible the school will look at sourcing alternative suppliers.
7. The 6th Form common room will continue to sell only Fairtrade coffee.
8. Encourage the PE department to purchase Fairtrade sports balls when buying new ones.

Students Leaders will:

1. Attend Steering Group meetings once a term.
2. Work with the Computing Department to conduct annual Fairtrade surveys.
3. Run a Fairtrade event every term.
4. Ask the LA to include the use of Fairtrade products as a requirement in catering contracts for schools.
5. Ensure that Fairtrade products are used whenever possible for Form Events and parties.

The School Caterers will:

1. Continue to use Fairtrade products in the canteen where possible.
2. Explore using Fairtrade cleaning products.
3. Provide details of Fairtrade invoices once a term.
4. Ensure Fairtrade products are available in all outlets and vending machines over which the school has control.