

## RAINING FRUIT AT RIVER MEAD

**With the blazing hot sun shining on their backs, Year 4 from River Mead School continued to work even after the school day was done.** Earlier that day, they prepared for a smoothie sale as they wanted some fabulous new equipment to evolve their existing playground into the perfect play paradise.

We spoke to Kieron (9) who informed us that Tesco, ASDA and the Co-Operative local stores provided the fruit for the smoothie making event. ASDA's donation was particularly impressive as although they had spent their community outreach budget for July they still clubbed together as a team to buy the fruit. Additionally, they came in to see the children and told them that if they write a persuasive letter they might consider River Mead as one of their local token support charities, with the possibility of



*Business is booming at the Year 4 smoothie sale. .*

raising essential funds.

The children made their smoothies in school as a healthy foods activity. Alfie (9) told us that 'they made the smoothies by chopping the fruit up into chunks then emptied it into a blender, then activated it and watched the fruit mush and turn into slosh.' He added that he liked chopping the grapes. He also rated the smoothies 10 out of 10.

Head teacher, Mrs Henderson, said that the smoothies were very tasty and very healthy. Also, she said that it was sweeter than she thought and tasted more banana than the other tremendous fruit. Mrs Henderson stated that she is proud of the Year 4s because they came up with the idea and their writing was so persuasive that 3 shops responded to them. All of the money raised will not just stay in Year 4, but

will be used for the whole school family.

Angel (9) feels immensely proud and shocked that they raised over



*Year 4 children with the community outreach team from ASDA.*

£40 in a smoothie sale. It was only 50p for a cup. She also felt exhausted when it was done. She definitely thinks they raised enough to buy essential new playground equipment.

The class would like to say thank you to all of the parents and pupils who bought the smoothies and would like to thank the different shops who provided the first class fruit for the event.

In the future, Mrs Henderson would like to see a smoothie sale in the community so all of Melksham can come to try one of these smashing smoothies.

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### WHAT ELSE IS ON AT RIVER MEAD

- *New headteacher Mrs Austin came to look around the school, meeting the children, staff and parents.*
- *All classes are moving up to start transition.*
- *Year 6 gave a brilliant performance of 'Shakespeare Rocks' the reviews were exceptional.*
- *The Life Bus has been stationed at River Mead this week, continuing our learning on how to be successful citizens.*
- *We welcomed Miss Arnold into the River Mead family.*
- *We are sad to say goodbye to Mrs Henderson.*