

Hibs' charity launch 'Crunch and Munch' initiative with Hermitage Park Primary School

The Hibernian Community Foundation have launched 'Hibs Crunch and Munch' with local partner school Hermitage Park Primary in an exciting initiative that will see every pupil receive a free piece of fruit Monday to Friday throughout the school year!

2020 has seen Hibernian Community Foundation and Hermitage Park Primary work together on a number of programmes which have supported pupils and families in our local area.



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Throughout lockdown the Foundation have provided weekend food parcels to pupils at home and developed digital educational resources to ensure learning can continue away from the classroom.

In addition to this work they have also delivered 'Score Goals' an 8-week project with primary 6 pupils with a focus on football, exercise and healthy eating!

Hibs Crunch and Munch will become a significant element of Hibs Class at Hermitage Park and the aim is to support pupils learning in the classroom in as many ways across a number of curriculum areas including literacy, numeracy, and wellbeing.

Hibs Crunch and Munch will also support Hibernian Football Club's pledge to be the greenest club in Scotland as they have already identified ways in which extra resource can be shared. Already across the summer the Foundation has saved over 2300kg of CO2 by sharing food that would otherwise go to waste.

Lisa Black, Deputy Head Teacher said: "We are proud to be a Hibernian partner school. The 'Hibs Crunch & Munch' is another example of how they are helping Hermitage Park Primary students thrive emotionally, socially and behaviourally.

"Hibs are helping us tackle childhood obesity, reduce playground litter and offer an opportunity for the pupils to develop social skills by sitting down together to eat the fruit.

"Hibernian Football Club has a long and proud tradition of working to support local communities and we are grateful to be supported by them".

Charlie Bennett Hibernian Community Foundation CEO commented, 'We're really excited to be working with pupils and teachers at Hermitage Park and we're pleased we can support the health and wellbeing of the pupils in this way. Like the school we want to ensure children in our communities are healthy and we

hope the 'Hibs Crunch and Much' will make a significant contribution to this'.