

# Benefits of School Breakfast Clubs

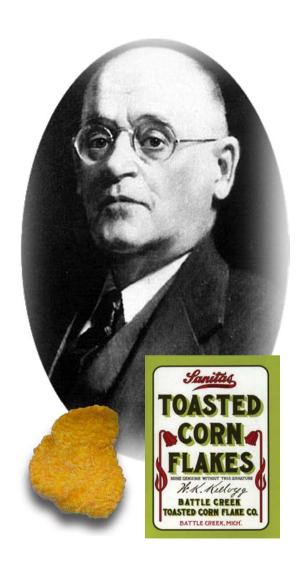
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### The Kellogg Company: Background

"WE ARE A COMPANY OF DEDICATED PEOPLE, MAKING QUALITY PRODUCTS FOR A HEALTHIER WORLD"

W.K. KELLOGG, 1906.





#### The Kellogg Company: A Company of Nutrition Firsts

#### KELLOGG WAS THE FIRST COMPANY

### · Idios:

The first to employ a dietitian to work in the food industry.

#### • 1930s:

The first to print nutrition information on pack
The first to fortify its products in response to public health needs.

#### • 1980s:

The first to add folic acid to its products to help guard against neural tube defects in unborn babies.

#### • 2007:

The first to print Guideline Day





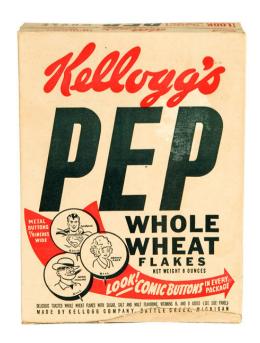


of an adult's guideline daily amount

### The first fortified cereal: PEP



Kellogg's® Pep™ became the first cereal fortified with vitamins through the "spray" method in 1930s





## More recently hitting the headlines...

# CEREALS GET VITAMIN D BOOST TO BEAT RICKETS



# Cereals add 'sunshine' to beat rickets

Bring us sunshine! Nine out of ten of Brits are deficient in vitamin D (and it's not even winter yet!)

- · Vitamin D, dubbed the sunshine vitamin, is generated by sunlight
- · Over 70% of people in the UK spend most of their day indoors
- · Deficiency can cause rickets, migraines, depression and joint pain

By MARTHA DE LACEY





### Vitamin D...



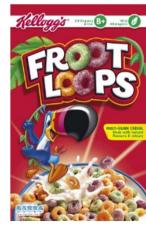




All of our kids cereals and many adult cereals are now fortified with vitamin D













## Kellogg's Brands - Nutrition leadership













Hungry pupils 'are losing time in class'

Why school breakfast clubs are on the education frontline

Fiee breakfast clubs are a lifeline for busy parents and families

accelerates, funding is being cut

accelerates and families



One in seven primary school children are struggling in class because they skip breakfast, claims shock report

- · Around 820,000 youngsters are skipping breakfast at least once a week
- · Almost 30 per cent of teachers said number of hungry children on the rise
- One in four teachers have seen a child fall asleep because of hunger









What teachers told us?

44%

of teachers say being hungry in the classroom is a significant factor in them having to work harder to prepare the children for their

46%

of teachers say hunger in the classroom is a significant factor in them having to work harder to teach the children the

51%

of teachers say being hungry in the classroom is a significant factor in children not performing as well in exams

Source: A Lost Education - The reality of hunger in the classroom

# What do we know?

- > 2.4 pupils in every class in England and Wales will arrive at school hungry at least once a week
- > Around 8,370 schools in England have children arriving hungry or thirsty every morning
- > The grip of hunger could potentially cost the English economy at least £5.2 million a year through teachers losing teaching hours to cope with the needs of hungry children







Source: Resnicow et al (1991); De la Hunty & Ashwell, (2007); Kochar et al (2007); Szajewska & Ruszczy (2010)



# 69%

of teachers say that having a breakfast club has a positive impact on being able to teach their class

### Breakfast improves performance

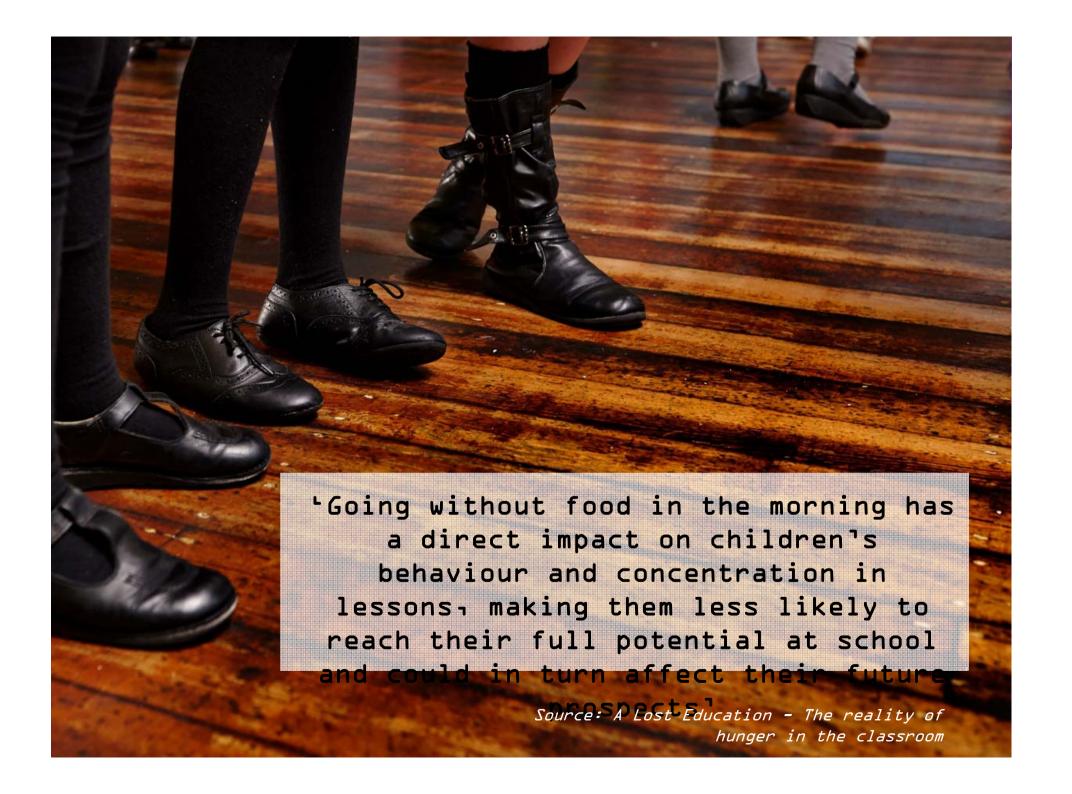
> Breakfast consumption can enhance cognitive function and academic performance, as well as improving mood

> Improves short term memory, attention,

creativity and math's



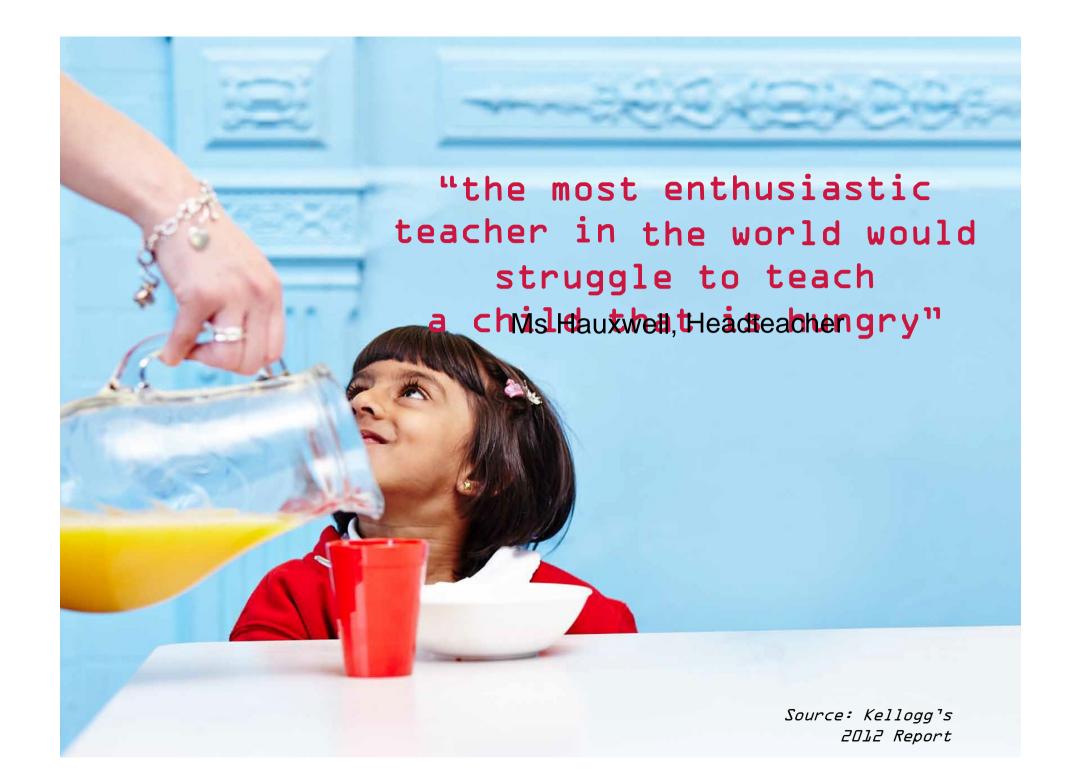
Source: Hoyland et al. 2009; Wesnes et al. 2003



# Benefits of School Breakfast Clubs: The Evidence

- EvidenceSocial benefits such as quality of friendship, feelings of security
- > Development of relationship with friends and adults
- > Childcare and reduces number of latchkey children
- > Improved punctuality and school attendance







### Academic

- Achievement > If a child arrives at school hungry, teachers say they lose one hour of learning time a day
- > If a child arrived at school hungry once a week they would lose 8.4 weeks of learning time (70% of a term) over the whole of their primary school life
- > Improved maths score, problem solving, concentration and memory

### Benefits of Breakfast Clubs

- School breakfast participation has been linked to improvements in:
  - School attendance & Punctuality (Simpson 2001)
  - Classroom behaviour (Bro et al, 1994)
  - Maths grades (Murphy et ala 1998)
  - Mental Performance (Hoyland et al., 2009).
- Benefits associated with school breakfast participation have been attributed mainly to the breakfast meal.

### Benefits of Breakfast Clubs

Schools and communities also profit. Schools that work well with families have:

- Improved teacher morale.
- Higher ratings of teachers by parents.
- More support from families.
- Higher student achievement.
- Better reputations in the community.

(Defeyter 2011)



# UK Food Based Dietary Guidelines





# Benefits of Breakfast

# Research shows that people who eat breakfast cereal:

- √ Have a healthier body weight/BMI!
- ✓ Better nutrition:
  - →Lower fat and sat fat
  - →Higher fibre
- ✓ Better micronutrient intakes/status:
  - →Leading source of iron
  - →Significant source of B-vitamins, Folic
- ✓ Lower cholesterol
- √ Greater milk consumption: 40%!

#### Breakfast eaters tend to have:

- ✓ Better mood
- ✓ Lower stress
- ✓ Better performance





# Breakfast cereal facts

#### Fibre

- > Constipation affects 30% of children Farrell (2003)
- > 8 out 10 children deficient in fibre
- High fibre breakfast cereals provide 10% of the fibre in childrens' diets

(Gregory (2000)

#### Energy

> Bowl of cereal with milk typically provides 200kcal

#### Mil

>k40% of milk is consumed with breakfast cereal



#### Vitamin

- >SChildren more likely to meet nutrient requirements for B group vitamins, iron, calcium and zinc if they eat cereals (Crawley (1993).
- Breakfast cereals provide 20% of children's average in takes of folic acid, and vitamin D (Gregory (2000)
- Important nutrients missed at breakfast not compensated for later in the day (Cho (2003)

#### Iro

- ★ Iron deficiency anaemia very common amongst children
- > Breakfast cereals single biggest source in children's diet
- > 26% of iron comes from cereals compared with 13% from meat (Gregory2000)

#### Vitamin

#### D

- > 20% poor vitamin D status in UK children (Bates 2012)
- > Important for bone health
- > There is an increasing incidence of rickets in the UK
- > Kellogg kid and family cereals provide 25% RDA per bowl

#### Sal

- Breakfast cereals are 50% lower in salt than they were in 1998
- > Breakfast cereals only contribute 2% of the nations salt intake

#### Sugar

 Only 5% of sugar in the diet comes from breakfast cereals



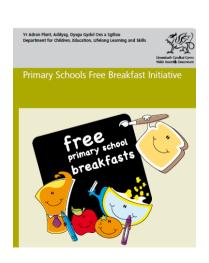


### Multi-grain Shapes

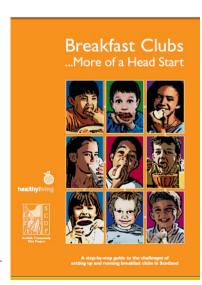
- > Wholegrain
- > Multigrain
- > 6 B vitamin
- > Vitamin D
- > Iron
- > High in Fibre
- > Added Calcium
- > Fun Shapes
- > Suitable for vegetarians
- > Halal & Kosher

# What are the guidelines for school breakfasts?

- The School Food regulations (England) cover all food served in schools before bpm
- However there is no specific instructions for breakfast foods
- Other guidelines exist for Scotland, Wales
   Northern Ireland.









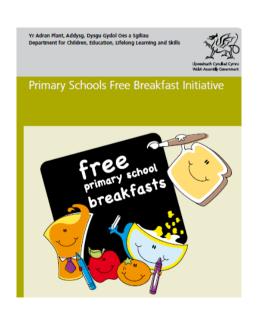
# Wales: Breakfast Food Guidelines

√ commitment to provide primary school age children a free₁ healthy breakfast at school each day.

#### Breakfast food guidelines:

✓ Welsh Assembly Government provides children in primary school with free breakfast

√Breakfast cereals should not be sugar coated



rood droup	Size	suggested standard Items
Milk based drinks and products	125ml or small carton	Semi-skimmed milk
Cereals - not sugar coated*	30g	Whole-wheat biscuits (1 biscuit) Cornflakes Rice based cereal Shredded wholegrain wheat biscuits Malted wheat squares Bran flakes Porridge *To avoid adding sugar, children should be encouraged to use fresh fruit and dried fruit as sweetners.
Fruit	With fruit this is determined by what a child could hold in the palm of their hand or 100-125ml of juice	A selection of chopped fresh fruit or dried fruit to add to the cereals. Fruit canned in natural fruit juice. Unsweetened fruit juices.
Breads	1 slice or small roll/ bun 25g	Toast - toppings optional Note: where required a low fat polyunsaturated spread should be used and similarly a reduced sugar Jam.

Suggested Portion Suggested standard Items

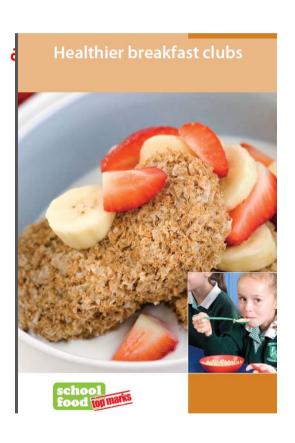
http://wales.gov.uk/dcells/publications/info\_for\_learning\_providers/schools/foodanddrink/freebreakfastinitiative/fbiguidanc



# Northern Ireland: Breakfast Food Guidelines

A healthier breakfast should provide a good variety and balance of foods, as recommended by the eatwell plate. To provide a healthier breakfast, clubs should try to include each of the following every day:

- a good portion of starchy food, eg low sugar, high fibre breakfast cereals, bread, toast, pancakes or bagels;
- plenty of fruit and vegetable choices, eg unsweetened orange juice, fruit (fresh, canned or dried), cooked tomatoes or baked beans;
- a portion of milk or dairy food, eg semiskimmed milk on cereals or a low-fat yoghurt;
- a choice of drinks, eg water, unsweetened fruit juice, semi-skimmed milk.





# Scotland: Breakfast Food

#### Breakfast cereals

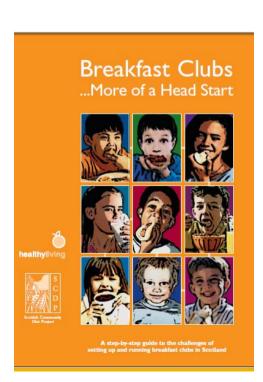
Breakfast Clubs... more of a Head Start

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#### HEALTHY BREAKFASTS

✓ Fortified cereals eg Kellogg Corn Flakes & bala Reilioge is Kentings praite Spy. The following guidelines should be useful. but for more specific questions, please check the Scottish Executive's Healthy Living Website: √High fibre breakfast cereals eq Rice Krispies Multigrain

- ✓ No chocolate n honey n sugar coated cereals | Bread and Other Cereals provide energy, B vitamins and some iron along with fibre. Suitable choices for breakfast include breakfast cereals, porridge, bread rolls, muffling
- ✓ No sweetened muesli





- . Offer some high fibre choices such as shredded wheat, weetabix and wholemeal or multigrain bread.
- . Don't include sugar, honey, or chocolate-coated cereals and sweetened muesit.
- 2 Fruit and Vegetables are good sources of vitamins A and C. Breakfast clubs are more likely to offer fruits than vegetables.
  - · Chopping fruit up makes it more appealing to children.
- . If possible offer a selection of fruits every day.

oatcakes, bagels and croissants.

- . Choose tinned fruit in fruit juice rather than syrup.
- . Check the label and avoid fruit drinks with added sugar, choose 'concentrated' orange juice. Suitable choices include fresh frozen, tinned (no added sugar/salt) fruit and unsweetened
- 3 Milk and Dairy Foods provide protein, calcium and B vitamins calcium is especially important for bone development. Suitable choices for breakfast include milk for cereals/drinks/milkshakes and yoghurts.
  - . Consider whether to offer low fat or full fat products or both (semi-skimmed milk is recommended for children over 2 years provided they are not underweight).
- 4 Meat, Fish and Alternatives provide protein, Iron and B vitamins. Foods from this group are not really necessary at breakfast - especially if eaten at lunch/evening meal. Suitable choices include baked beans, boiled/poached/scrambled eggs, and grilled bacon.
  - Avoid fat-enriched products such as sausages as part of breakfast.
- 5 Fatty and Sugary Foods provide energy but are low in vitamins, minerals and other nutrients and should be kept to the minimum at breakfast. Suitable choices for breakfast include butter/margarine and low fat spread.
- · Spread butter/margarine thinly, Use margarines labelled 'High in Polyunsaturates'.
- · Avoid biscuits, crisps, fizzy drinks and sugar-coated cereals.

#### OTHER POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION

- . Put healthier choices first on menu and make sure they can be seen.
- Make food look attractive.

#### Special Promotions

- . Theme day promotions, eg: different national breakfasts, French croissants special days, Burns Birthdax porridge and outcakes
- · Promotions of different fruit, eg: exotic fruits, fruit salad
- · "Taster days" where small portions of unfamiliar foods can be tried

# Barriers to Success



# Funding Businesses

- - •National
  - •Local
  - •Ask per child per week e.g. £1 or for whole school £2k
- Restrict donations to Breakfast Club
- every penny goes towards the food for the children
- •Supermarkets vouchers/donated food
- •Local suppliers e.g. Bakeries
- •Charitable Trusts
- www.fundingcentral.org.uk www.focusonfunding.org.uk
- Individuals donating
- •Parents pay
- Ask for donations
- Local authority funding



# Funding

- Grants
- Charitable trust funds



www-giveachildabreakfast -com

