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# FAIRTRADE

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GROUP

## Outwood Primary School's Bake-Off

Staff, pupils and parents were kept very busy in Fairtrade Fortnight 2016. Lessons throughout the school covered different aspects of Fairtrade and Fairtrade councillors (key stage 2 pupils) helped organise a Fairtrade shop and a Fairtrade café with music provided by the school's steel pan band.



The school has held a Bake Off competition in Fairtrade Fortnight since 2012 and this year first place was awarded to a very proud Muhib. In second place, Rebecca made it a closely fought title race with her



competition entry. The school has been studying and promoting Fairtrade since 2010 and each year has seen an increase in awareness of the Fairtrade movement and how they can help.

### SCHOOLS UPDATE

We're currently updating our schools contact list by phoning Stockport schools and requesting contact details of the person there with responsibility for Fairtrade activities.

If you are one of these people and we haven't yet managed to get in touch with you, please drop an email to [schools@stockport-fairtrade.org.uk](mailto:schools@stockport-fairtrade.org.uk) and we'll get you on our schools list.

Then we can offer support for Fairtrade in your school.

### SFTG AGM 2016

The AGM will be held in Meeting Room 6 at Stockport Town Hall with light refreshments served from 7pm and a meeting start time of 7.30pm.

We'll be showing a short film made by Bath University in summer 2015 about female cocoa farmers in Ghana and the day to day problems they face in their society.

Please come along to find out more about SFTG and the Fairtrade efforts it makes locally. You may also learn more about the efforts the Fairtrade movement is making globally to achieve a fairer world for everyone.

### WHERE TO FIND US

If you would like to get involved, but can't make it to the AGM in July, please come along to our next meeting at Stockport Labour Club, Heaton Chapel, SK4 1QP on Wednesday 10 August starting at 6.30pm.

### SFTG Annual Fair 2016 We're Moving!!

Not far though...to Stockport Guildhall, about 100 metres down the road from Stockport College, on the opposite side of Wellington Road South (A6). There's ample parking to the rear of the building and it's convenient for public transport too.

So, as the venue has changed, we're giving you early notice - Saturday 19 November. Make a note in your diary and there'll be more information in the next newsletter.



# FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2016 'SIT DOWN FOR BREAKFAST', STAND UP FOR FARMERS



With positive feedback from customers and traders, it was another successful year for this event.

Musical entertainment was provided by an adult community choir and Outwood Primary School's choir and steel pan band; it made for several enjoyable and lively interludes during the day.



- SFTG used Stockport train station's 'pop-up shop' facility on both Saturdays to give out Fairtrade fruit, cereal bars, chocolate and leaflets to their customers, encouraging Fairtrade appreciation

- Fairtrade leaflets and information were sent to Stockport Town Hall for display during the fortnight

It is important to use this time each year to remind people that Fairtrade remains an important issue across the world and to reinforce the message that a fair income for producers of so much of our food, clothing and other necessities of our society is, and always will be, a basic human right.

Staff at the above venues were all very helpful and supportive of our members and appreciative of the message we were giving out along with the freebies. Many of the items distributed were donated by the Co-operative and Divine. Thanks are due for all the help received by SFTG to make these events possible.

This year, SFTG members had a number of projects on the go during the fortnight:-

- Aquinas College were happy for SFTG members to use a section of their dining area to distribute Fairtrade breakfast goodies and literature to students to increase their Fairtrade awareness



As usual, the success of the fair is completely dependent on the support of the numerous volunteers who look after many of the stalls, sell raffle tickets, help with the children's activities, set up, tidy up and generally contribute to the smooth running of the event. It could not happen without this help...thank you.

**FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**Stockport Fairtrade Group AGM WEDNESDAY 6 JULY.**  
Meeting Room 6, Stockport Town Hall, Edward Street, SK1 3XE. 7.00pm for 7.30pm.

**SFTG Meeting WEDNESDAY 10 AUGUST.**  
Stockport Labour Club, Heaton Chapel, SK4 1QP. 6.30pm.

**SFTG Annual Fair SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER.**  
Stockport Guildhall, 169 Wellington Road South, Stockport, SK1 3UA. 10.30am - 3.30pm.

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There are lots of ways to get in touch with us.  
Web: [stockport-fairtrade.org.uk](http://stockport-fairtrade.org.uk)  
Our website is regularly updated, so take a look if you haven't visited it for a while.

Email: [info@stockport-fairtrade.org.uk](mailto:info@stockport-fairtrade.org.uk)

Tel: 0161 442 4024 or 0161 427 8744

 Facebook: search for Stockport Fairtrade Group

 Twitter: our name is @Stockportft