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WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER GERMAN COMMITTEE PROJECT
MONTHLY M&E REPORT- NOVEMBER 2010 - Submitted by Danuta Radzik

Community Educators' Monthly Reports

KANEVILLE

Community Educator: Tessa Greene

Community Mobiliser: Juliet James

Community: Kaneville, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 11 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 243 Females: 196 Males: 47

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 101 Females: 79 Males: 22

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 44

of H&S Posters Distributed: Nil

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits

- House to house and counselling visits in Kaneville
- Assistance for a disabled resident
- Attendance and participation in Steering Committee meeting
- Awareness session at Grove Health Centre
- Awareness session at Grove Nursery School
- Awareness session with students of Form 1, Friendship Secondary School
- Awareness session at Craig Health Centre-Post Natal Clinic
- Facilitation of 2 day Follow Up Peer Education Workshop

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Steering Committee Meeting – 4th November

- A total of 7 female members attended the meeting. Discussions were held about the need to attract more members. It was reported that some of the parents who attended the Awards Ceremony for Grade 6 Assessment Exam said they were willing to join the Steering Committee.

Assistance to a Disabled Person & Family – 11th November

- The CE and CM made a follow up visit to the blind woman who is also a cancer survivor to let her know that they will continue to support her in whatever way they can. The woman was very grateful for the CE and CM visit and hoped that the project would continue for a while longer.

House to House & Counselling Visits – 19th November

- The CM visited the home of a resident who reported being physically abused by her husband. The resident explained that this was not the first time her husband had physically abused her. The CM advised her to report the matter to the police but the residents was reluctant to do this as she was not working she and her children were financially dependent on her husband

House to House & Counselling Visits – 27th November

- During this visit a wife related that she had been physically and verbally abused by her husband since they first started living together. On this most recent occasion matters got worse as after abusing her, her husband attempted to commit suicide by dowsing himself

with kerosene. As a result of this he received burns over parts of his body luckily, not very severe. Due to this both she and her husband were charged and placed before the Law Court. The wife stated that her husband and his family abuse her whenever she and he have a problem. The CM explained to the wife that violence against anyone is wrong and a crime and other ways of solving problems need to be put in place.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Awareness Session – Grove Health Centre – 10th November

- A total of 80 persons, 63 females and 17 males between the ages of 25-75 participated in this 1 ½ hr discussion on Domestic Violence.

This session was done with the large number of persons attending the general clinic. The CE had intended to have a discussion on health & unhealthy relationships but because of the response to the question on what domestic violence was she decided to change the topic. Due to the large number of persons the session was a bit noisy, the room crowded and persons were sharing their views with others as the discussion progressed which led to the Medex having to repeatedly shouting names of patients over the din of voices. nevertheless it was a rewarding experience to have older persons involved, After the session 3 persons spoke privately to the CE about their problems:

-A 58 year old woman reported that her children were verbally, emotionally and financially abusive to her. She lived with her daughter and son in law and had been told by them that she had up to the following Friday to move out. She explained that she no where else to go as her other 2 daughters and their husbands did not want her to live with them and she had no other family or friends to go to. The CE arranged to have this woman call the H&S office for assistance.

- A 25 year old mother of a 10 year old child who was involved in a custody matter with her reputed husband expressed her concern about losing custody of her child. The CE learnt that this matter had already been referred to MLHS&SS and advised the woman that if she was displeased with the services being offered there then she could seek alternative help from H&S but it would be better to pursue one at a time.

- A 25 year old woman expressed concern about her 22 year old male cousin who is a drug addict and is abusive towards members of his family. This cousin also steals items from the home to support his drug addiction. She was advised to seek help from the Grove Police Station, Help & Shelter or the MLHS&SS and recommended counselling and referral to drug rehab services. The woman promised to speak to the cousin's wife about getting him into some form of drug abuse therapy and counselling.

Assessment of the session showed that participation, understanding of topics presented, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as very good.

A total of 150 H&S leaflets on Sexual Abuse, Child Abuse and H&S Fact Sheet were distributed to participants.

Nazarene Church Sunday School – Sexual Abuse - 14th November

- A total of 30 children, 25 girls and 5 boys between the ages of 5-18 participated in this ½ hr discussion on sexual abuse.

The focus of the discussion was what to do if someone tries to sexually abuse them. The need to tell an adult was stressed to the young participants. A 7yr old girl disclosed to the CM that her uncle had tried to fondle her, and at the same time her mother came into the room and began to quarrel with him. According to the child the matter was not reported to the Police but her uncle left and is living in the interior.

A total of 33 H&S leaflets were distributed

Grove Nursery School Parents – Domestic Violence- 16th November

- A total of 7 female parents between the ages of 21-36 attended the 1¼ hr session on DV.

The session was conducted by peer educators who attended the recent 2 day H&S workshop for peer educators. The session started late and even though the turn out by parents was disappointing the session was a good one with lots of interaction. Parents shared their experiences of violence. One participant spoke about seeing her seventeen year old daughter throwing a knife at her 13 yr old brother who was able to deflect the stab to his stomach but had the knife stuck in his hand. This mother took her 17 yr old daughter to the Police Station and was referred to the MLHS&SS. She also recounted that this same 17 yr old would hit her 3yr old sister with a lot of anger if she did anything wrong. Another mother expressed her view that her children were not too big for her to beat them if they gave her problems at home.

The facilitator and team did a good job explaining the topic and were well prepared with their teaching aid and information. Dawnette, one of the peer educators, showed good skills in guiding the conversation back to the topic area when parents became distracted. It was a very good effort by the peer educators.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as very good.

Friendship Secondary School Form 1 –Domestic Violence- 19th November

- A total of 61 students, 45 females and 16 males between the ages of 11-12 yrs participated in this 1 hr session on Domestic Violence

Participants came from 3 Form 1 classes and 1 female teacher was also present. Discussions on various forms of abuses held with the students revealed that objects such as pot spoons, hoses, brooms and belts were used by parents and guardians to inflict physical punishment on children. Names such as longhead, dirty pig, lazy boy/girl and squidwirt were a few used by parents to address their children. The CE was also able to touch on the topic of self and self esteem. An invitation was extended by the teacher for a similar session to be done with the other 3 Form1 classes.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation and understanding of topics discussed was assessed as fair while facilitation and the session overall was assessed as good.

A total of 210 H&S leaflets on DV, Rape, Sexual Assault, Child Abuse and H&S Fact Sheet were distributed.

Craig Health Centre-Post Natal Clinic – Domestic Violence-Signs & Symptoms 26th November

- A total of 37 parents, 3 females and 3 males between the ages 19-38 participated in the 1 hr session on Domestic Violence-Signs & Symptoms.

The clinic seating arrangements was somewhat inadequate for conducting an awareness session as the CE had to stand on the stairs in order to engage everyone as there were many people attending the clinic. The noise level was also high as children were crying and parents were walking up and down trying to calm them down.

In discussing the topic signs and symptoms associated with the different forms DV were outlined. Participants were also reminded that children should be taken to a doctor as soon as evidence or suspected sexual abuse is found or raised. The importance of being vigilant with girl as well as boy children was stressed. During the discussion 2 participants related cases of neglect by parents who live close by to them. The CE asked both of these participants to obtain as much information and make a report to the MLHS&SS for intervention.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation and understanding of topics discussed was assessed as fair and facilitation and the session overall assessed as very good.

A total of 55 H&S leaflets on DV, Child Abuse & H&S Fact Sheet were distributed to participants.

Kaneville Peer Educator's Workshop – 29th & 30th November

Please see separate report for details

KANEVILLE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN - November 2010

Date	Activity	Time
15/12/2010	Distribution of Certificates of Participation at Workshops & Activity to mark IDEVAW	2pm
11/12/2010	Candlelight Vigil to mark - 16Days of Activism	4 pm
19/12/2010	Kaneville distribution of Christmas hampers	2 pm

DEN AMSTEL

Community Educator: Ebeth McIntosh Christie

Community Mobiliser: Gaitree Bacchus

Community: Den Amstel, West Coast Demerara

Activities: A total of 7 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 100 Females: 72 Males: 28

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 28 Females: 27 Males: 1

H&S leaflets Distributed: Nil

Leadership Skills Leaflets Distributed: Nil

MLHSS DV Posters: Nil

GHARP Booklets (Super Gang & The Player): Nil

GHARP Posters: Nil

Empowering Women Booklet: Nil

HIV Leaflets & Booklets: Nil

H&S Posters: Nil

of Condoms Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- Attendance and participation at Steering Committee meeting
- To conduct 2 awareness sessions on Problem Solving & Financial Management with Den Amstel Pre Natal Clinic
- To conduct awareness sessions on Time Management with Kingdom Connection Youth Group
- To conduct an awareness sessions on Suicide with Grade 6 students from the Den Amstel Primary School
- To conduct an awareness session on Needs of a Man & Needs of a Woman with Den Amstel Nursery Teachers
- Facilitation of the 2 day Peer Educator Workshop in Den Amstel

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Steering Committee Meeting – 18th November

- A total of 5 steering committee members were present at the meeting. There was no reading of the minutes due to the absence of the secretary. Areas for discussion was as follows:
 - **Health Day-** members of the community want the Health Day to become a reality. However due to circumstances beyond the committee's control it was not possible to pull this activity off. New dates were set for this activity
Date: 23/11/2010
Time: 3-7 pm
Venue: Den Amstel Community Centre

- Target Group: Youths
- **Movie Night** – a movie night and a food sale was also planned but this has not become a reality as yet. New dates were also set for this activity
Date: November 30th
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: Dawnette's Place
Target Group: Community Members
 - **Christmas Party** – it was decided that the Steering Committee and DARC will host a joint Christmas Party for children in the community. each member will be contributing an item for the party and donations will be solicited from friends, UNDP and Help & Shelter. Dates etc for this activity were fixed
Date: 21/12/2010
Time: 2 pm
Venue: Den Amstel Community Centre
Target Group: Needy Children, ages 3-12

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

IDCE Social Work Students – Suicide – 2nd November

- A total of 9 students, 8 females and 1 male between the ages of 18-40 participated in this 1 ¼ hr session on Suicide.
The CM facilitated the session. Discussions focused on how to prevent suicide occurring. The CM reported that this was her first time facilitating a session by her self and it felt good doing this. The session was held at the Vreed-en-Hoop Secondary School.

Help Centre, Pre Natal Clinic – Problem Solving – 4th November

- A total of 28 parents, 27 females and 1 male participated in this 1 hr session on Problem Solving.
All of the participants disclosed that they have problems some in their family life, some with Church members, at work etc. Participants said that they try to solve their problems the best way they can using what they know to do. They said that they don't know if this is the right method but they try their best. They also said that sometimes when problems confront them they don't know where to begin, some feel like running away and never looking back but realize that they can't run from their problems. The CE outlined the 7 steps to problem solving:
 - Be aware of the cause(s) and effect(s) of the problem
 - Brainstorm (possibly with the help of others) for possible solutions
 - Identify the positive and negative outcomes of each possible solution
 - Choose a solution
 - Implement the solution
 - Set a date when the problem will be revisited for the purpose of evaluation
 Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of topic discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all assessed as very good.

Help Centre, Pre Natal Clinic – Problem Solving – 18th November

- A total of 17 parents, 16 females and 1 male participated in this 1 hr session on Financial Management
In discussing this topics most of the participants said they are not good managers of their finances. They said that many times the money runs out before they get to buy all the things they need. Sometimes the money they have is just not enough to cover their needs and they do not have any guidance on what to do. Some of the participants said that they make a budget while others said they do not. Many of them have not educated themselves

on how to keep their expenditure within the limits of their income. Participants also said that they have not learned to adapt themselves to circumstances and they would borrow again and again and become overwhelmed by debt and consequently become discouraged and disheartened. The CE then showed participants how to do a simple weekly and then monthly budget for the home. She also stressed the need to plan ahead for things they need to pay for and how much they cost. and the need to keep a record of expenditure. It is hoped that with the Christmas season approaching parents would do a better job of balancing their finances.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of the topic discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all assessed as very good.

Den Amstel Grade 6 Primary Students – Suicide – 24th November

- A total of 20 students, 7 females and 13 males between the ages of 10-11 participated in this 2 hr discussion on Suicide.

Students were very frank in discussing this topic. Most of them said they have thought about committing suicide because their parents beat them and sometimes when lies are told about them and they get into trouble and get beaten by their parents they have thought of suicide. According to the students licks hurt and degrade them and they feel worthless. An open discussion was held with the students on their feelings towards suicide. The students felt that suicide was wrong, not normal and against their belief in God. Students also knew of persons who had committed suicide or attempted suicide. Reference was made by students to the number of cases of suicide they read about in the newspapers or saw on the TV news. Students were placed into groups and asked to discuss the following; how suicidal persons feel, things suicidal persons do before committing/attempting the act, ways in which persons commit suicide, where suicidal persons can go to get help. Responses to these questions included that - suicidal people feel helpless, worthless, angry, hurt, a burden on someone, depressed. Before committing or attempting suicide suicidal person tell persons about what they are going to do, give away valuable things, contact persons who they have not been in touch with for along time, fix problems/issues they have with people, feel sorry for themselves, start, increase or stop taking medication, show a false sense of happiness. Things to do to help a suicidal person are- talk and listen to them, let persons know you are there for them, make them sign an agreement or ask them to make a pledge that they call you whenever they feel like committing suicide, refer them to a professional if they continue to be depressed, try to take their minds off suicide.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of topics, facilitation, and the session overall were all rated as very good.

Den Amstel Nursery School Teachers –Needs of a Man, Needs of a Woman – 29th November

- A total of 6 female nursery school teachers participated in this 2 hr session on Needs of a Man & Needs of a Woman.

An open discussion was held on this topic and participants gave their views on what they thought a man needs and what a woman needs were. For men the participants identified needs such as love, attention, sex, food, a good woman, job, money, time with spouse and good communication. For women needs identified were love, sex, children, role models, money, a good man, relaxation and education. The session developed into a very healthy discussion for participants and at the end of the session they felt they had benefited very well and found the discussion helpful for enhancing their family life.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation and understanding of topics were assessed as excellent while facilitation and the session overall were rated as very good.

Den Amstel Peer Educator's Workshop – 9th & 10th November

Please see separate report for details

DEN AMSTEL COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN – December 2010

Date	Activity	Time
8/12/2010	Awareness Session- Den Amstel Primary School	
9/12/2010	Awareness Session-Pre-Natal Clinic	
21/12/2010	Children's Christmas Party	

GOOD HOPE

Community Educator: Suzanne Chung

Community Mobiliser: Olivia Simon

Community: Good Hope, East Coast Demerara

Activities: A total of 5 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 75 Females: 55 Males: 20

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 14 Females: 12 Males: 2

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 497

of H&S Posters Distributed:

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- House to house visit and community walk about
- House to house & counselling visit
- Awareness sessions at the Learning Centre
- Attendance & facilitation of Peer Educator's Workshop
- Facilitation & attendance at 2 day Follow Up Peer Educator's Workshop

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

House to House Visit & Community Walk About – 11th November

- During this second visit to the Grassfield area in Lusignan a total of 14 persons were reached, 12 females and 2 males. The objective was to meet and talk to residents about the different forms of abuse and offer assistance if needed. Poverty and abuse are rampant in this area. Many parents, fathers as well as mothers, consume a lot of alcohol and do not send their children to school or adequately provide meals for them. During the visit some residents were open and welcoming and asked a lot of relevant questions on the kind of help available and how they can access this.

A total of 54 H&S leaflets on Child Neglect, Rape, For Parents, Sexual Assault, Anger Management and GBV were distributed.

Home/Counselling Visit – 26th November

- A visit was made to a home where they have been reports of abuse and neglect of 3 young children. It was observed that the mother seemed incapable of looking after her self much less her 3 children. As a result of conditions in the home a child protection form was filled up and submitted to H&S's child protection officer for referral to the Government Child Protection Agency.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Lusignan Learning Centre – 28th October

A total of 36 students, 25 girls and 11 boys between the ages of 11-18 participated in this session.

Feedback indicated that some of these students are excellent ambassadors for reducing GBV and child abuse. They have learned a lot and have come a long way from when we started. They are always welcoming and are very relaxed and comfortable with all the topics. What they have learnt will not only assist them in future but those they come into contact with.

Good Hope Peer Educator's Workshop – 23rd & 24th November
Please see separate report

GOOD HOPE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN – November 2010

Date	Activity	Time
8/11/2010	Counselling Visits	10am
10/11/2010	Visits to PLC, MOE & NDC Chairman	9am
15/11/2010	Awareness Session- Women's Ministry	6pm
18/11/2010	Follow Up Peer Educator's Workshop	9am
19/11/2010	“ “ “ “	“
24/11/2010	Community Walk About	4pm
26/11/2010	Awareness Session – Lusignan Learning Centre	12pm
28/11/2010	Home Visits	4pm
30/11/2010	Steering Committee Meeting	5pm

COVENT GARDEN

Community Educator(s): Ebeth McIntosh, Chabela Lord

Community Mobilizer: Carol Henry

Community: Covent Garden, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 11 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 68 Females: 44 Males: 23

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 26 Females: 16 Males: 10

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 15

of H&S Posters Distributed: Nil

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- House to house visits/counselling & one on one discussions with residents
- Attendance and participation in Steering Committee meeting
- Awareness Session on Time Management with Covent Garden Nursery teachers
- Awareness Session on Alcohol Abuse with Covent Garden Primary Students Grade 6

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Residents – 8th November

- The CM while walking in the community heard loud quarreling and cursing. On investigation it turned out that a mother was talking to her 8yr old son in this way. When the CM asked the mother why she was speaking to her son in such a way; she explained that she had asked her son to throw away the diya wicks but he had not done this. The mother admitted that the way she was dealing with this matter was wrong, but said that the child is disobedient and she gets angry when he refuses to listen to her. The CE advised her of other ways she can discipline her child. The brother of this mother was also present at the time of this incident and did not intervene. The CM learnt that the

mother of the child and her brothers and sisters had been abused in the same way by their mother.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Residents – 11th November

- The CM and a SC member visited this family to discuss with the mother and father about the abuse occurring in their family on a daily basis. The wife said she views the dramatization on television and she is learning from what she hears and sees. The husband thanked them for visiting and talking with them. These adults are parents of 2 sons.

House to House visit – 11th November

- Visits were made to mobilize participants for the 2 day follow up Peer Educator's Workshop. Some of the participants said they would be attending while others said due to circumstances they would not be able to attend. The CE expressed some frustration at the lack of commitment of some participants.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Residents – 15th November

- A visit was made to this home where the CM met with a mother, father, 7 children and grandfather. The mother/wife complained of being fearful for her life and that of her children. She complained of how cruelly her husband would beat the children when he drinks alcohol. She showed me the head of one of the sons that had dried blood from a bust he suffered when his father hit his head to the wall. This same son was choked some time before and beaten to the extent that he lost consciousness. The mother said it took them a while to revive him. I also saw another son who had no less than 8 brands across his back evidence of the beating he got from his father. The mother explained that when the father is beating their children and she tries to intercede to get him to stop he threatens her. he has also told her that the community hears of a murder it would be her. The police was called in but they did not show up. The mother said that when her husband is sober he is a good father but whenever he drinks he abuses the children. The mother said she was afraid to say anything before for fear her children would be taken from her, this she does not want. Instead she would want her husband to be counselled. The husband later expressed his surprise that the wife disclosed what he did. Contact numbers were given to the mother so that she can call and report to the relevant authorities i.e. Help & Shelter & Human Services.
A total of 5 H&S leaflets on Wife Abuse, Child Abuse, Child Neglect, GBV and Alcohol were given to this family.

Steering Committee Meeting – 15th November

- A total of 7 members, attended the meeting. The meeting was informed that the Ms Chabela Lord was on maternity leave. A report was made on the Cake Sale held on the 30th October which garnered a total of \$19,410. Members who contributed to the success of this activity were congratulated. It was agreed that the banner would be put up by the end of the month and two steering committee members volunteered to get this done. A suggestion was made to have another cake sale so as to generate more funds to make a start on the main project i.e. constructing a garbage receptacle. This was agreed on and a decision was taken that the date for this sale would be the 1st Saturday in December. Hosting of a Children's Christmas Party was discussed and it was decided that this would be held on the 18th December at the Covent Garden Primary School.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Residents – 18th November

- It has been unofficially reported that the 15yr old sister who allegedly left home is pregnant and the persons she ran off with disowned the pregnancy. Recently she was seen

back in the community and staying at the same person she ran off with.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Residents – 23rd November

- Update on case when the children on the sea dam were accepted into school it was with the understanding that their birth certificates would have been sourced. The mother has failed to do so over the past few months. About 3 weeks ago the children who were attending nursery and primary school were all sent home. The mother is seen daily drinking alcohol instead of looking after the interest of the children.

House to House & Counselling Visit – 23rd November

- This young woman was depressed, hopeless, and in a state of confusion. The problem is her reported husband has ended their relationship and is throwing her out of the home, but she refuses to leave. She is presently unemployed and feels that she cannot cope without this individual in her life.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 26th November

- Update on the case of the mother of unsound mind and her 9 year old daughter. The CM met the child and in speaking with her found out that her brother would beat her. The child disclosed that she has asked a neighbour to get her into the same orphanage where her other siblings are.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Residents – 26th November

- These 2 brothers are heavy drinkers and drug users. They are seen daily going to their suppliers to purchase drugs. The CM spoke to them about the dangers and effects of drugs and alcohol on their bodies and overall health. Whenever these 2 brothers engage in alcohol and drug abuse their homes are in confusion.
A total of 6 H&S leaflets on Alcohol, Marijuana and Harmful Drugs were given to these 2 residents.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 29th November

- On this visit the CM engaged a young woman about healthy and unhealthy relationships and what to look for in a relationship to determine if it is a healthy one. The CM also informed her about dating drugs and domestic violence and the effects of these on her life.
A total of 3 H&S leaflets on Harmful Drugs, Dating violence, GBV were given to this resident.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Covent Garden Nursery School Teachers- Leadership Skills- 22nd November

- A total of 5 female Nursery School teachers participated in this 2 hr session on Time Management.
All of the participants confessed that they are not good managers of time. One of the participants said she always thinks she has enough time but this does not usually work out and she then finds herself in a mad rush. The other participants said that they tried to work within a time period but most of the times were not successful. Participants shared some example of tasks they had to complete within a specific time period and the end results. These experiences were funny and participants were amused by them as they discussed their attitudes to time presently and where they would like to be with this. Participants felt the session was edifying and felt that the sessions were getting better and better. They were also requesting certificates of participation at the end of the project for sessions they had attended as they were of the opinion that they had done a lot of work and gained a lot of knowledge and would like to have something to show for this. One of

the practical ways of managing time was through the use of a time log, this was shared with participants.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation and understanding of topic discussed were rated as excellent and facilitation and the session overall rated as very good.

Covent Garden Primary School, Grade 6 – Child Neglect—25th November

- A total of 21 students, 9 females and 12 males participated in this 2hr awareness session on Alcohol Abuse.

Feedback from the session indicated to the surprise of both CE and CM that many of the children have used alcohol and they were proud to let the CE and CM know the type and how often they use it. According to the children some of their parents are aware of the use of alcohol and they do nothing about this as they are themselves users. Some parents send their children to buy alcohol and even encourage them to drink alcohol. The extent of alcohol use among these school children ages 11-12 was very disturbing as was the fact that they were uninformed of the dangers and effects of alcohol on their bodies. An open discussion was held with the children on how alcohol affects the body including specific organs of the body and how it destroys families and homes and leads to abuse and even death. We hope that the children gained knowledge and will change their behaviour before it is too late.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of the topic discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all assessed as very good.

Covent Garden Peer Educator's Workshop – 15th & 16th November

Please see separate report for details

COVENT GARDEN COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN- December 2010

Date	Activity	Time
13/11/2010	House to House Visit	
18/11/2010	Christmas Party	