



THE BIG SCHOOLS SLEEP OUT



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31st March 2023

Shay Stadium,
Shaw Hill, Halifax HX1 2YS



Showing solidarity, increasing awareness and raising funds to end homelessness.



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WHO WE ARE

Happy Days

Happy Days supports and empowers people who are homeless or in crisis to live independent and purposeful lives by helping them to access the advice and services they need to bring about sustainable change.

We do this by providing a range of services including an engagement service which connects people with the specific support they need.

Happy Days meets the growing demands of those struggling to cope with the cost of living crisis by operating a broad range of services that tackle homelessness and food poverty. These include The Winter Shelter, Halifax Food Bank and The Banqueting Table at The Gathering Place.

The Winter Shelter provides 56 bed spaces a week between October and March, laundry facilities, meals and access to support through its network of agency and healthcare professionals, including a twice weekly drop in drug and alcohol clinic run by Calderdale Recovery Steps. The Halifax Food Bank collects food donations from across Calderdale and provides food parcels to individuals and families in need. The Banqueting Table serves daytime meals to anyone in the local community who is struggling to feed themselves.

For single adults who are homeless, the charity operates supported accommodation and services that are designed to help residents move on and live independently. This may include support to overcome addiction, skills to sustain employment and tenancy and specialist input for mental health and trauma.

Our vision is to be a leading and highly valued provider of services to people who are homeless or in crisis.

Visit our website for more information www.happydaysuk.org



WHAT IS THE AIM OF THE EVENT?

Sleeping outdoors for one night can't replicate what it's like to experience homelessness but we hope it will give you an appreciation of the challenges some people face and time to reflect on what it means to sleep rough. The event is also an opportunity to find out more about our work and raise money to support our services.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN AT THE EVENT?

Please arrive at 7pm and meet in the Shay Stadium car park where you will be met by the Happy Days team. We will break the ice with a few games, present a short talk and share a hot chocolate before finding our places to sleep for the night. There will be access to a toilet. You will need to be collected at 7am the following morning, when the event finishes.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

Each person will need to bring the following items with them to the Sleep Out:

- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Clothing suitable for sleeping outdoors and change of clothes
- Waterproof coat or jacket
- Sensible footwear
- Warm socks
- Woolly hat
- Bivvy bag - if possible or something to keep you dry, should it rain
- Please bring a flask with a warm drink as drinks will not be available through the night.

No tent required as we will be sleeping outdoors!



ENTRY FORM

Once your entry form is completed please scan and return to: events@happydaysuk.org or post to Happy Days, FAO Events Team, The Gathering Place, 1 St James Road, Halifax HX1 1YS.

Participant's Full Name:

Date of Birth:

Address:

Postcode:

Daytime Telephone Number:

Mobile Telephone Number:

Email Address:

I hereby commit to The Big Schools Sleep Out.

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:



SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship money should not be brought to the event.

You can also make payment by Cheque, Bank Transfer, or Cash.
(If you need us to collect your sponsorship money, please let us know).

CHEQUES made payable to: Happy Days

BACS payment preferred:

Happydays Ministries

Sort Code 60-83-01

Account No 20325231

Ref. The Big Schools Sleep Out

Please note: All money taken will be given to the charity Happy Days.

We are also on Local Giving, so you could make a sponsorship page
www.localgiving.com/bigsschoolsleepout. We ask that you collect sponsorship money
and arrange for this to be sent to Happy Days after the event.

CONTACT

I have more questions, who can I contact?

Events Team

e. events@happydaysuk.org

t. 01422 381316





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