

Lunch time

The SENCo listened to the young people in one school when they said they wanted something structured to do in the lunch-time break. He shared the views of these students with other staff and this prompted them to explore possibilities for lunch-time activities. When we next visited, we heard about some exciting new developments. The school had set up a lunch-time PE club for students with special needs, using inclusive and accessible games like Boccia (a ball game similar to French boules) and indoor curling. The learning support centre now opened at lunchtime so that students with special needs could come in to use the computers. Staff in the school library developed some extended lunch-time activities to include board games and encouraged young people with special needs to come into the library at lunch times to use the information technology facilities.