

**Healthier fetes and festivals**

The annual fete or festival is a time of great excitement at many schools, and also a major fundraiser. With some extra creativity, a school fete can be as healthy as possible, or even a *Smart Choices* event!

Remember that entertainment and other stalls are just as important as tasty food stalls.

Healthier food stall ideas include:

* corn on the cob
* curries with rice
* tacos or pita bread nachos
* noodle boxes
* healthy muffins, slices and scones
* jacket potatoes
* gourmet yoghurt
* sushi
* healthy barbecues.

Consider inviting multicultural groups within the school to have a food stall.

Alternatively, invite local healthy food vendors to the fete, with a proportion of profits coming back to the school.

Soft drinks are **RED** products and can be the most difficult item to replace when planning an event that complies with *Smart Choices*. Possible alternatives include:

* fruit juice
* fruit juice slushies
* low fat flavoured milk
* low fat smoothies
* selling reusable water bottles with the school logo that can be filled at water fountains.

Don’t forget about the other stalls to entertain visitors to the fete. Popular ideas include:

* bric-a-brac or white elephant
* craft
* plants
* hair spray colouring or face painting
* baby animal farm or pony rides
* raffles
* lucky dips
* games such as dunk-a-teacher, basketball shots and ring toss.