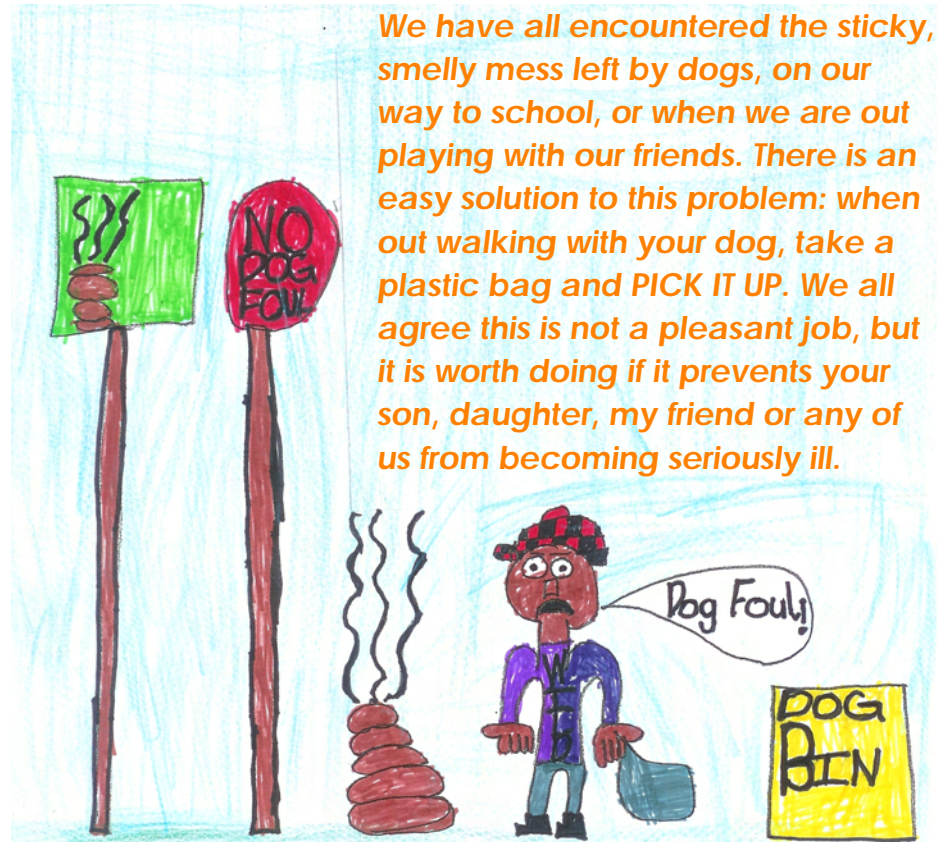


The Inner West Community Committee from Leeds City Council has combined with local people, Hawksworth Wood Primary School, the Police, Housing Leeds, HAVA and the Hawksworth Wood Community Association to tackle the problem of dog fouling on the Hawksworth Wood Estate.

Hawksworth Wood Primary School wrote as follows about how dog fouling affects their lives:



Please pick up after your dog!

For more information about this campaign, please contact:
Kirkstall Environmental Action Team, 0113 222 4406.

Hawksworth Wood Anti-Dog Fouling Campaign



A local campaign by local people

 **Leeds** HWCA **Big Local** HAVA



It is estimated that there are about 7 million dogs in the UK producing 1,000 tonnes of excrement per day.

If children come into contact with dog excrement, they can contract toxocariasis. This comes from toxocara (roundworm) eggs, which are present in dog excrement.

Infective eggs can remain on grass and soil in gardens and play areas for many months, long after the visible excrement has been washed away by the rain.

Most children contract toxocariasis from children's play areas or the street.

Toxocariasis can lead to blindness in children. There are approximately 100 reported cases per year, with 50 leading to serious eye problems.

If every dog owner wormed their pet and cleared up after them, toxocariasis would be virtually eliminated



Please pick up after your dog!

- Worm a puppy at 2,4,6 and 8 weeks, then every two months.
- Did you know it is illegal to let your dog foul on the street and not pick it up? You can be fined a fixed penalty of £75, or £1000 if you are prosecuted.
- Carry a poo bag or carrier bag when you take your dog for a walk. This can be placed in any bin.
- If you know someone who lets their dog foul, report this to the council on 0113 222 4406