



09 December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Christmas Jumper Day & Charity appeals

On Wednesday 14th December 2022 we are inviting all Rooks Heath students to take part in **Save the Children's** Christmas Jumper Day. In order to raise as much money as possible for this excellent cause and reward students for their efforts this term, we have decided to expand the dress code and host a festive non-uniform day.

The whole school is invited to wear and show off their favourite Christmas jumpers for the day. For students and staff who decide they do not want to wear a festive jumper, they are encouraged to wear an item of clothing which is red, green, or sparkly. Please note that all outfits must meet our expectations for non-uniform days as outlined in the Link Book, specifically no baseball caps or ripped jeans. Any student who breaches these rules may be sent home.

We are asking everyone to make a £1 donation to help save children's lives around the world.

Year 7 students, who are attending the disco after school on Wednesday 14th, organised by our 6th Form students, are required to pay a further £1 for entry to the event.

All money raised will contribute to Save the Children's vision to give the world's forgotten children a brighter future. It could help bring essentials like healthcare, education, protection and food to the millions of children around the world who are missing out on the most basic support.

You will not need to buy new jumpers to join in the fun – you can simply decorate an old one to create your own crafty masterpiece! If you would like to find out more about Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day, simply head to www.christmasjumperday.org.

In addition, we would like to support two local charities: the **Harrow Foodbank** and **The Children's Society** charity shop in Rayners Lane.

Food banks work within the local community to tackle food hunger and poverty, collecting and distributing food and other essentials for those in the local community who need them. Therefore, next week we would encourage all students to bring in one item to contribute to this worthy cause. Please note food items need to be sealed and in date, and pasta is not required as they have an excess of this.





Items particularly appreciated required by the foodbank are:

- Packet mashed potato
- Packet meat soup
- Long life full fat milk
- Long life fruit juice
- Tinned chicken meals
- Savoury biscuits
- Jam
- Nappies sizes 5 & 6
- Single adult toothbrushes
- Single children's toothbrushes
- Men's body wash
- Men's & women's deodorant
- General cleaning products

The Children's Society would be grateful for:

- Story books (in good condition)
- Toys (non-fabric)
- Puzzles (in good condition, with all pieces intact)
- Games (in good condition and working order)

Please could students bring their items to school between Wednesday 14th and Friday 16th December. The collection point will be in the main school Reception. We will then deliver our collection to the Foodbank and to The Children's Society on Friday 16th December.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school by phone or emailing contactus@rooksheath.harrow.sch.uk.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

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