



December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Christmas Jumper Day & Foodbank Appeal

On Friday 11 December 2020 the Sixth Form 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 to reward all students for their efforts during what has been a very difficult term, we have decided to expand the dress code and host a festive 'Mufti' Day.

The whole school is invited to take part, with all students and staff getting the chance to show the world their silly side by wearing their favourite festive knits for the day. With regard to the rest of their 'Mufti' outfit, we encourage everyone to wear festive colours, such as red, green and anything sparkly. Please note that all outfits must meet our expectation for non-uniform days as outlined on Page 21 of the Link Book.

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

The money they raise 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 a charity closer to home in the run up to the Christmas holiday, and so we have decided to have a collection for the **Harrow Foodbank**. 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 excellent 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:

- Long life juice/squash
- UHT milk/powdered milk
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned meat and fish
- Noodles
- Biscuits
- Honey
- Tinned tomatoes
- Rice
- Soups
- Honey
- Dried mashed potato
- Small 100gms jars of coffee
- Tinned/jars of hotdogs

Please could students bring their items to school by Thursday 10th December at the latest. The main collection point will be in reception. Students in Years 7-9 will be given the opportunity to bring items to reception during tutor time. Students in Years 10-13 can drop items in on their way into school. We will then deliver our collection to the Foodbank on Friday 11th December which is their last day for donations before Christmas.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Haddow
Deputy Head Teacher