

30th November 2018

Dear Parents & Carers,

Christmas Food Bags

This year, like last year, instead of asking for Harvest donations and a Christmas shoebox for Eastern Europe we have combined the two.

There is a slight change; we are collecting Christmas **food bags** for the local community and will be giving our donations to the Norwood & Brixton Foodbank. The foodbank has asked for cloth bags instead of shoeboxes as these are easier to carry and serve a dual purpose. The bags can be plain or decorated perhaps with a Christmas theme. Alternatively, any type of strong bag would be welcome.

If you would like to send in a donation here is a suggested list of the things that are most needed at this time of year:

Small cartons fruit juice

Hot chocolate jars or sachets

Breakfast bars or similar

Small jars jam, chocolate spread, honey

Small packets of sweets or chocolate

Christmas themed puddings especially sponge variety

Christmas themed biscuits

Tins corned beef/ham (these are so popular and the foodbank never have enough)

Tins evaporated milk

Cereal bars

Small tins of nice tinned fruit things like raspberries, strawberries, apricots are popular.

Children's toiletries for all ages so from Peppa Pig to things like Lynx for young teens

Flannels

Toothbrushes

Toothpaste

Shower Gel

Shampoo

Christmas Cracker

We discussed the need for these items in a whole school assembly and the children are aware that there are children & families less fortunate than themselves.

Please send all food bags into school by between Wednesday 12th December and the morning of Friday 14th December. The bags will be collected mid-morning on the 14th.

Many thanks

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