



Manor Green Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Non-Uniform Day – Friday, 16th January 2018

As you'll be aware, this coming Friday is a non-uniform day in aid of St. Mary's Church and Community Food Bank. School Council visited the Food Bank on Friday to find out more about the invaluable work that they do there: children even had the opportunity to help sort food and put together some food parcels for local families.



School Council found out some interesting information about our local food bank:

- St. Mary's Food Bank helps families in our local area of Haughton Green.
- January and February are busiest months where people ask for the most help as families have tried hard to have a nice Christmas and, as a result, have less money.
- Sometimes, families may have to choose to 'heat or eat'. Accessing the food bank means that families don't have to make this difficult choice.
- Donations of soup and beans are always welcome but the food bank really struggles for items such as: long life milk, tinned meals (i.e. curry, meatballs) and pies, packet mixes, packet soups, tinned tomatoes, tinned custard/desserts, coffee, pasta and pasta sauce, sugar and tinned fruit.
- They have helped many local families (over 1000 people from 229 families during the run up to Christmas 2017 alone).
- Families in need can access the food bank up to 4 times a year.
- The volunteers who run the bank can also direct the families to other services should they need them. Local charities work together to support those in need.



As you can see, School Council asked some great questions during their visit. So, when you are choosing your donation for Friday, please think carefully about the items that are most in need at this time of year.

Thank you for your continued help and support, it really does make a difference.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. S. Mycroft
Vice Principal



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