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23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

As the big build up to Christmas begins, our thoughts turn to others. For a significant number of years we have been involved in supporting the local community and beyond with our Christmas charity appeal and we want this year to be no different. Unfortunately, we have had to change our approach and will not be able to create our hampers this year due to coronavirus though we hope they will make a return for Christmas 2021. This year the charities we will be supporting are St Helens Trussell Trust Foodbank and Save the Children.

### The Trussell Trust Foodbank

After liaising with the St Helens Food bank they have informed us that the items they are desperately in need of are mainly toiletries. Students should this week have volunteered to buy an item from the list below.

Toothpaste	Conditioner
Toothbrush	Deodorant
Bar of soap	Feminine hygiene products – sanitary towels/tampons
Hand wash	Toilet roll
Shower gel	Nappies
Shampoo	Baby wipes
Christmas chocolate treats (anything you can give that could make a child happy at Christmas)	

Ultimately, whatever you are able to give will be greatly appreciated by both the school and the foodbank. Monetary donations are also accepted and will go towards the running costs of the foodbank.

Students are to hand their donation to their form tutor **by Friday 11th December 2020** at latest. The donations can then be quarantined and organised for delivery on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

### Save the Children

In order to spread some much needed Christmas cheer we would love as many students as possible to get involved with Christmas Jumper Day and raise money to support 'Save the



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Children'. On **Friday 11th December**, in exchange for a minimum donation of £1, students may wear a **Christmas themed jumper** instead of their school blazer, shirt and tie. It is important to make it clear that this is not a non-uniform day; students must wear normal uniform with a Christmas jumper. Other garments will not be allowed. Making a bold statement by modifying the normal school uniform for one day allows students to show that they are helping to support the work of the charity.

If every student and member of staff supports this event by donating a minimum of £1, we would raise over £800 in one day, which would be an amazing achievement. 'Save the Children' is a charity which helped over 10 million children last year both in the UK and abroad. Their aim is to give children around the world a brighter future.

Should students not wish to wear a Christmas jumper they must attend in full school uniform on that day as normal; these students will still be able to make a donation to the charity should they wish. Students should bring the donation with them on the day; this money will be collected during form time.

We hope that you are able to support us this year, we understand that for some this may not be possible but we would love our students to be part of something special and support our local and global communities this Christmas.

If have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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