



# **A Christmas Appeal to help the vulnerable in our local community**



**This year, we want to help as many families  
as we can enjoy Christmas, so...  
What is the appeal?**



- The appeal is to help those who are affected by poverty, but in particular, children at Christmastime.
- We would like to ask for your help to support a local charity called The Clothing Bank, based not far from Sherburn in Knottingley.
- The Clothing Bank is working really hard to provide help to children in need this Christmas so that they get a present and some new pyjamas.
- There is a massive need this year because as well as those they would usually help, there are so many more families who need help because of Covid-19 which has meant people have lost their jobs, are working less hours, getting less money or sadly family members have died.

# How does it work?

## Donate a pair of pyjamas.



- You probably get a pair of new Christmas pyjamas yourself, and this adds to the excitement of Christmas, making you feel happy.
- The families we want to help won't be able to afford to do this.
- The Clothing Bank wants to be able to give this feeling to as many families as possible and need all sizes of pyjamas from toddlers to teenagers.
- If you can, please could you buy a pair of pyjamas in a size from age 2-16
- Wrap them up in Christmas wrapping paper and put a note on saying e.g. girl's/boy's pyjamas age 3-4
- We really want to get as many as possible and for Team Sherburn to make a difference to our local community.

## **Or if you would rather buy a present?**

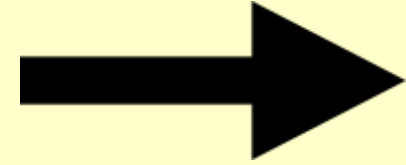


- So many of these families are not able to give gifts as they will just not have the money and a lot is due to the impact of Covid 19 and lockdown restrictions.
- We can help make Christmastime a bit happier for these families and hopefully give them something they will love and will make them happy.

If this is what you would like to do:

- Choose either a boy or a girl aged 2-16
- Wrap the present in Christmas paper
- Write on a note what's inside e.g. pencil case and colouring pencils and stick to the parcel
- The Clothing Bank has given us some ideas: socks, pants, tights, hats, scarves, gloves/mittens, pens, activity book, notepads. I am sure you will have so many more ideas too. (No food items please)

## **How you will make a difference.**



- You will be helping vulnerable children to enjoy Christmas
- You will be helping our community
- It is sad to think of children waking up on Christmas day and not having the traditional Christmas we love
- A little gesture has a big impact
- You will be making someone happy in a very difficult situation
- Just putting a smile on someone's face will make a huge difference
- It will be lovely to know that Sherburn High School has worked as a team to make a difference to those in our area that need help.

# The practical arrangements

- Decide which one you would like to do
- Follow the instructions for wrapping
- Bring into school by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December
- **Place in the book box in your form room**
- 7AHM is co-ordinating this appeal so Mrs Hannam will collect items from your form room each day
- Please take a look at The Clothing Bank on Facebook, you will see the amazing work that they do and it would be so good if you could help and then they would be able to help so many more families
- We will make arrangements to drop the donations off and make sure we let you know how it went
- **If you have any questions, please email Mrs Hannam or ask your Form Tutor to put forward your queries**



## **Thank you so much!**

- Finally, thank you for taking the time to watch this presentation and hopefully you will be able to help.
- Thank you for helping, for your kindness and for helping those who are in need.

