Westhill Academy

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Staff & Pupil Information

Junior House Captains Fundraiser

To spread some Christmas Cheer across Aberdeen city and shire, the Junior House Captains and Mrs Taylor has organised a Food Bank to help support Instant Neighbours. Instant Neighbours collects non perishable food items such as:

- UHT or long life milk
- Tinned soup
- Tinned meat & fish
- Tinned vegetables
- Rice & pasta
- Jar sauces
- Cereals
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits & snack bars
- Teabags & instant coffee
- Sugar
- Diluting juice
- Dog & Cat food
- Basic Toiletries

Unfortunately this charity was recently broken into and vandalised so your donations will help both the charity and people who can't access these items too. We will be collecting between the 14th to 18th of December. We hope you can donate and help out! Every Donation will make someone smile this Christmas. There will be a collection box at reception that will be collected daily. Thank you!

[Mrs S Taylor]

Mission Christmas 2020 Appeal S1 - S6

2020 has changed everything. As families unexpectedly face poverty, more and more children could be waking up on Christmas Day without anything under the tree. Mission Christmas is a charity that is run by Cash for Kids and Northsound 1. It helps families that are struggling to buy Christmas presents for their children. They are looking for gifts for children from 0-18 years and you can donate a present at Tesco, Westhill until Friday 18th December if you would like, or if you would like to donate any money to the charity then there will the opportunity to do so during PSE until Wednesday 16th of December. Every Penny Counts.

[Mrs J Reid and 4th Year Pupil]

All Pupils & Staff

To add to the Christmas Cheer in school, you will start to notice that classroom doors are being decorated. This is part of a competition that will be running Monday to Friday next week.

Each door has a theme of either a Christmas song or a Christmas movie.

From Monday, there will be a QR code next to each door letting you know if it is a song or movie. Scanning the code will take you to an online form where you can enter the names of the song or movie. A prize will be given on the last day to the person with the most correct guesses. Only click submit on the form when you are happy you have completed as many as you can.

[Mrs S Taylor]

Donations Wanted!

ABERNecessities is a charity that has been chosen by a group in Miss Bradford's class for YPI. ABERNecessities is a charity that started just over a year ago. They help families with kids aged 0 – 18 who aren't able to provide basic needs that all children struggle to survive without. We're looking for donations to help the charity as they are struggling to gather products for teenagers. This includes – clothes, toiletries, masks, pyjamas etc.

Please if you have any of these items to donate could you bring them in and give them to Miss Bradford. We will stop collecting stuff on Thursday 17th of December.

Every Donation Counts! Kind Wishes!

Christmas Jumper Day 2020

This year the National Christmas Jumper Day was Friday 11th December however, all being well, we have decided to hold ours on the last day of term, Friday 18th December instead. Keeping in mind, this is permitting no further Covid restrictions are in place.

Donations of £1 or more, or whatever you can give, would be fantastic along with your Christmas jumper or accessory. Please note: Christmas attire or donations are **not mandatory** as we know it has been a difficult year for many. No offensive outfits will be allowed.

Please treat this as a normal school day, keeping social distance measures at heart. Dig out your best Christmas jumpers and tinsel and make your classrooms sparkle, shine and jingle. Make the world better with a sweater!

All money raised will be donated to Save the Children.

[Miss N Harrypaul]

Library and Library Books

There are lots of books which were borrowed before March still out on loan to pupils. Please check at home to see if you have any Academy Library books due for return in early 2020, if you do then please pop them into the Book Returns Box outside the Quad Library door.

Many thanks

[The Library Team]