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Dear Parents

Senior School Harvest 2021 – Collection in aid of Billingham & Stockton Foodbank

The Senior School Harvest assembly will take place in school on Tuesday 5 October.

Last year, with the aid of your generosity, Red House School was able to donate a significant amount of food to those in need in our local community. We have chosen to continue to support Billingham & Stockton Foodbank as part of our Harvest celebrations.

The Trussel Trust is a Christian charity, which operates food banks all over the country. They provide assistance to people of all backgrounds, and all faiths or none, who are found to be in genuine need.

Nationally foodbank use has increased with 3.5 million emergency packages delivered last year. Demand for the services of the foodbank has continued to rise steadily and the impact of end of the furlough scheme, decrease in Universal Credit and rising cost of food and fuel will see more local families struggle to provide the basic essentials.

In addition to non-perishable items listed below the foodbank is also collecting clothing (especially good quality men's clothing). If you have any winter coats or warm clothing that you or your children no longer wear please send them in to school so that they can be given to those in need within our local community.

Below is a list of the Trusts most needed items:

Coffee	Rice pudding	Shampoo
Milk (UHT or powdered)	Tinned fruit	Conditioner
Sugar (500g)	Tinned vegetables	Shower Gel
Fruit juice (carton)	Pasta/Curry sauces	Toothpaste
Fruit Cordial/Squash	Table sauce (brown/red)	Toilet Rolls
Tea bags	Tinned meat/fish	Sanitary products
Tomatoes (tinned)	Washing powder	Antibacterial spray or wipes
Custard	Washing up liquid	Pet food

The donations will be collected by the Trussell Trust after our Harvest assembly, with this in mind please ensure donations are brought in to school by October 8 2020. Pupils should take their donations to their form room and place in the boxes provided. Cash donations can also be given. Cash donations can be handed in to the Office in a sealed envelope marked 'Foodbank'.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Yours sincerely

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