

7 December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Christmas charity appeal

I am writing to you regarding The Cleeve Park Christmas charity appeal. This year we will be supporting [The British Heart Foundation](#) shop in Sidcup high street alongside a charity collection fund for [Tiger Ward](#). Tiger Ward is a paediatric oncology shared care unit (POSCU). They work closely with the Royal Marsden Hospital, Great Ormond Street Hospital and University College Hospital. They provide chemotherapy and supportive care to children and their families who are being treated for a cancer diagnosis.

The aim of the appeal is to collect items for children and the elderly in the local community that can help ease the financial pressures of Christmas and the cost of living increase with heating the elderly. We have met with The British Heart Foundation store located on Sidcup High Street and they have asked if we can help with clothes and blankets for the elderly community and children's books and toys for the younger community. This will provide access to cheap / free items to support families through Christmas and the winter months.

If you have any items that you can donate please send them into the school with your child and we will be arranging the books and toys into Christmas sacks and the clothes / blankets in bags for delivery to the Heart Foundation store and Tiger Ward. These will be placed underneath our Christmas tree and donated to the store on the lead up to the Christmas break. We are also continuing with our food bank, so please if you have any additional food items that can be spared please bring them into school.

Finally, as a school, we will be taking part in the Christmas Jumper Day 2022 in support of Save the Children. This will take place on the last day of term, **Friday 16th December**. This is not a non uniform day but we are encouraging those that wish to, wear a Christmas Jumper over their school shirts and ties in support of raising awareness for this charity. We will be collecting donations of £2 and would encourage you to pay via our justgiving page on the following link <https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/jake-stone-christmas-jumper-day>.

Yours sincerely

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