

8<sup>th</sup> November 2024



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Dear Parent/Carer

**Salvation Army Toy Drive, Nuneaton Foodbank and Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day 2024**

As we enter the Season of Goodwill, it is at this time that we encourage Etone pupils to engage with active citizenship and take part in the activities that provide support and relief for those in our local community who are in need. By taking part in the initiatives below, it provides pupils with the chance to show some of their Etone Values that, as an Etone Learner, they act on each and every day.

**Foodbank**

The Nuneaton Foodbank initiative collects, organises and distributes food all over the local area for people who really need it. We support the local foodbank by having a drive to provide some food items and basic toiletries to ensure that over the Christmas period, so everyone can have a merry Christmas.

**Toy Drive**

This year we as a school are also taking part in the Salvation Army Nuneaton Toy Drive. We are asking for either toys and gifts as donations to the cause. All donations are gratefully received and ensure Christmas joy is spread to those who are experiencing hardship. Children aged between 0 to 16 years of age are supported in this toy drive.

The Etone Charity Committee will then be delivering the items to the Salvation Army centre and Foodbank on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Although there is no expectation that pupils take part in the drives, if you can support either of the initiatives it would be a great help to someone in the local community who might be a neighbour, friend, or family member.

If you can support either cause, please follow the advice below regarding donations and instructions for bringing them into school.

	<b>Salvation Army Toy Drive</b>	<b>Nuneaton Foodbank Drive</b>
<b>Donation requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gifts and unwanted presents must be new and packaged/boxed with no damage</li> <li>• Immaculate and nearly new books are also acceptable</li> <li>• New toiletry gifts are welcome for older teenagers</li> </ul>	Food items kindly accepted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tinned Tomatoes, Vegetables, Potatoes and Fruit</li> <li>• Instant Mash</li> <li>• Long Life Milk</li> <li>• Fruit Juice/ Squash</li> <li>• Small Jars of Coffee</li> <li>• Toiletries/ Household/ Deodorant/ Shower Gel</li> <li>• Toilet Roll</li> <li>• Nappies Size 5/6</li> <li>• Washing Powder/ Washing Up Liquid</li> <li>• <b>Festive Treats (with long shelf life)</b></li> </ul>
<b>Donation instructions</b>	Donations should be taken to Library on <b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December only</b>	Donations should be taken to reception on <b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December only</b>

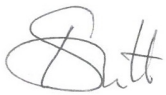
**Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day**

**On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**, pupils will be allowed to wear a Christmas jumper over their shirt and tie for a donation to the Save the Children Charity as part of the national Christmas Jumper Day initiative. Pupils who choose to wear a Christmas jumper should bring a £1 donation to school on that day. **If your child is wearing a Christmas jumper, they WILL NOT be required to wear their blazer on this day, however, all other uniform expectations will apply, e.g. school trousers/skirt and school shoes. If your child is not wearing a Christmas jumper, FULL school uniform will be required.**

Pupils will also be invited to wear a Christmas jumper on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December **under the same guidelines as above.**

Once again, I would like to thank you on behalf of all the staff at Nuneaton for your ongoing support in all that we and our pupils do.

Yours faithfully



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