

## **Our Lady Catholic Primary School**

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At Our Lady Catholic Primary School, we strongly believe that our community is at the very heart of all that we do. In response to the difficult and challenging times that many are facing, we have decided to open our very own food bank within our school. Our aim is to provide food, toiletries, cleaning products, uniform and books for the children and families who may be struggling within our community.

Our Food Bank will be available to anyone who needs it and any requests for help will be treated with respect and discretion. The Food Bank, which will be based in our school hall, will be open at certain points during the school day. More people than ever are being driven to food banks and

the sharp increase in people needing help is outstripping food donations. The presence of the Food Bank at our school will allow us to focus on what is important to us as a community.

<u>We are beginning to accept food donations now</u>. Our list for guidance is below but please note that this is not an exhaustive list and other items may also be welcome. We ask that any donations are brought to the school office throughout the course of the next few weeks so that we can build up enough stock to begin our food bank after the May half term. We truly appreciate your support and thank you in advance.

Food Items	Non-Food Items
UHT milk Cereals Tinned meat (hotdogs, meatballs etc.) Tinned fish Tinned fruit Sponge/rice puddings Tea and Coffee Long-life juice Pasta, rice and pasta sauce Tinned veg (potatoes, carrots, green beans, tomatoes) Tinned meals (spaghetti, chicken or veg curries, chilli) Tinned soup Jam and spreads	Shower gel Shampoo/conditioner Sanitary products Deodorant Toilet rolls Washing up liquid Laundry detergent pods Uniform Books



We thank you for your support with this new initiative. By helping others in need, we are encouraged to follow the teachings of Christ and serve others – just as Jesus did.

Kind regards,

**Richard Curry**