



Believing and Achieving Together

Dear Parents and Carers,

The newly formed PTA at SDFS are setting up a food hub to offer you some non-perishable food items, free of charge, if you feel you need them.

At this time of year, we know every penny counts when it comes to Christmas but we also understand that we have all gone through some difficult times in the last couple of years and recognise that this can have an impact on your finances, budgeting and general wellbeing. We are here to support you, as a school community, and urge you to reach out and use this goodwill scheme, if it helps you.

We are offering a discreet food donation service, which you are ALL entitled to use, irrespective of your individual circumstances, if you wish to do so, **NO QUESTIONS ASKED.**

Due to covid restrictions, we cannot currently allow you into school to shop, however we will offer any of you that request, a bag full of food items and toiletries once per week.

How to Request:

If you would like to request a food bag please email our specially designated PTA email address SDFSPTA@gmail.com (run by Mrs Derrick).

Please email each time you would like a new bag of items.

All you need to do is state if you would like a small or large bag of items and let us know if you want any toiletries included.

Nothing else needed or asked! We will then quietly put the things together for you and they will be passed to you at collection time within 2 days of request.

If you have a special request that you are in need of e.g. nappies/bread/long-life milk please let us know.

Donating:

The staff at SDFS have already began donating to our scheme to start things off. We want to thank them for their kindness and generosity. We would be incredibly grateful if those of you, who are able, could also send in a non-perishable item or toiletry to donate to the hub.

Listed below are examples of what can be donated:

- Cereals
- Tinned soup
- Pasta, rice, pasta sauce
- Beans, spaghetti, tinned meat and tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits, crisps, crackers
- Tea, coffee and long life milk
- Toiletries – Deodorant, toilet paper, shower gel, toothpaste, etc
- Household Items – Laundry liquid, detergent, laundry powder and washing up liquid
- Feminine Products
- Baby Supplies – Nappies, baby wipes and baby food – NO formula milk.

Please do not include any fresh, frozen foods or alcohol. We will leave a donation box in our school Reception area or you can pass donations on to your child's teacher.

At present, this is a trial scheme, which we hope will help as many of you as possible. We will initially run until the end of the year. If we do not have any uptake, please rest assured that we would pass on items to the Seaton Delaval Community Foodbank.

Please remember, you can use this scheme once, or weekly. Our circumstances change all of the time.

Kind Regards and Best Wishes

Mrs Derrick,

On behalf of the PTA