

Dear Parents

Emmaus – Our ‘At home’ Lenten Charity

This Lent we will be supporting Emmaus, Winchester, as our local charity. Previously, we have had links with Emmaus during Covid and would like to continue this support through our student council and wider school community. Emmaus is a purpose-built community that provides a home and life-long skills for homeless people funded through their charity shops.

This Lent, the children at school will get the opportunity to hear from Emmaus representatives about their work in the community and some of our student council will have the opportunity to visit the hub.

As well as this, Emmaus are asking for donations to support successful fundraising in their charity shops. During Lent, we will set a drop-off zone at school for your donated clothes for Emmaus to sell in their shops, which generate the money to maintain their sustainability. Secondly, due to the economic crisis Emmaus are receiving a lot less furniture donations currently which is restricting their income. We will provide information on how families can support this through drop-offs at stores or having Emmaus collect from homes.

We look forward to supporting Emmaus as our local charity and will have lots more information to follow throughout Lent.



CAFOD – Our ‘Further away’ Lenten Charity

In Lent this year, CAFOD is raising money to support families in other parts of the world with the skills and tools they require to fight the climate crisis. As a school, we will be raising money for CAFOD through participation in their ‘Big Lent Walk’. This is our first involvement with CAFOD since Covid – with CAFOD previously being a main charity that we supported.

The challenge is simple, we are asking each family to raise sponsorship for walking 200 km over the 40 days during Lent. So far, over 300 schools and 100,000 pupils across England and Wales have signed up, which means you’ll be a part of a huge community taking part. How and when the walk is done is up to individual families and people can walk their own distance as part of their usual routine. Children in school will be walking/running 5k per week during this period which can contribute to the family total. The challenge is a great way to help in the fight against global injustice and poverty. This year a particular focus is to protect vulnerable communities against the threat of extreme weather.

To raise money please share the link to our fundraising page with your sponsors:
<https://cafod.enthuse.com/pf/st-peters-catholic-primary-winchester>



We currently have vacancies for a Class Teacher and an After School Club Assistant. For further details and an application form please see the Vacancies page on our website:
<https://www.stpetershants.co.uk/vacancies/>

If you have pre-school children and like the sound of St Peter's School then why not contact us to find out about the application process? Telephone 01962 852820 or email admin@st-peters.hants.sch.uk.

Best wishes

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