

21<sup>st</sup> November 2017

Dear All,

For most of us this time of year is filled with excitement and plans of what presents to give each other and what food to buy and fill our tummies with.

Despite this joy I think we are also acutely aware that not everyone is so fortunate, and some people will really struggle this year to feed themselves and their families. I am so keen to show my children how lucky they are and how important it is to remember others, especially at this time of year. I want them to know that the true spirit of Christmas is about love and giving. I would love it if we could each donate something to the Christchurch Food Bank in order that they can distribute it. I am happy to collect items left at school and Ethan, Florence and I will then deliver it to the food bank in time for Christmas.

Below are listed items which the food bank has requested. They have asked for goods to be received by the first week of December. With that in mind, I would propose that all items are handed in by the **5<sup>th</sup> December** so that they can be delivered in good time.

Please join us in our collection.

The O'Reilly Family

***Items Wanted for Collection - Children's Presents, Rucksacks/sleeping bags (for those who are homeless) /food Items;***

CEREAL  
SOUP (can/packet)  
BEANS/SPAGETTI IN SAUCE  
PASTA SAUCE  
CURRY SAUCE  
TINNED HAM  
TINNED POTATOES  
DRIED RICE  
TEA BAGS  
INSTANT COFFEE  
LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE  
JARS SPREAD (eg chocolate)  
STUFFING PACKET  
GRAVY (granules, cubed, tinned)  
BRANDY SAUCE (packet / jar)

VEGETARIAN OPTION  
TINNED FISH  
TINNED FRUIT  
CUSTARD (packet/tinned)  
CHRISTMAS PUDDING  
BOXED BISCUITS/SEASONAL  
DRIED PASTA  
LONG LIFE MILK  
CHOCOLATES/SELECTION BOXES  
CRISPS/SAVOURY SNACKS  
JARS - JAM / CRANBERRY SAUCE  
MINCE PIES  
CHRISTMAS CRACKERS

