



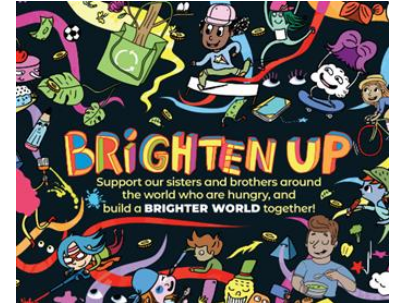
25th September 2023

Brighten Up for CAFOD and Support Billingham Foodbank

Dear Parents, Carers and Families

This Harvest we are supporting CAFOD and joining other schools around the country by brightening up!

Did you know that one in three people around the world do not have enough safe and healthy food, all year round? This is not fair and it is not right. We will be joining other schools in building a brighter world for everyone.



To raise money, our new Mini-Vinnie group who “turn concern into action” are inviting everyone to wear **one item** of bright clothing on Friday 6th October. Your child might wear a bright hoodie instead of their jumper or cardigan, or maybe a bright pair of socks or a bright t-shirt. The rest of the school uniform should stay the same! As well as looking brighter, we also invite your child to bring in £1 donation for CAFOD.

How our fundraising will help?



We're raising money for CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, a charity working with communities around the world to build a brighter world.

Our fundraising will support people like Meera who lives in Pakistan. When flooding hit Pakistan last year, Dr Nasha's mobile team of healthcare professionals travelled hundreds of miles to treat people who needed help. That's how they met Meera. Meera gave birth in hospital while her home was destroyed by the floods. Meera brought her baby, Marwi, to Dr Nasha, who gave her medicine and supplements to stay healthy. Marwi is now a healthy one-year-old and the family are working hard to recover what they lost in the floods.

We have chosen to support CAFOD as a way for our pupils to put their faith into action. By raising money for Brighten Up, we will be supporting our brothers and sisters around the world, inspiring our pupils to become active global citizens and living out our school mission.

We really appreciate your support and hope that everyone has fun helping us raise money for CAFOD.

In addition, we would like to request that each family may like to contribute an item to the Billingham Food Bank. Donations can be brought into school on Friday.

Suggestions are:

Tins of: fruit, peas, potatoes, baked beans, chick peas etc, chopped/plum tomatoes, fish (tuna, sardines, mackerel) rice pudding, custard.

Packets of: sugar, tea bags, fruit juice/squash (long life only) powdered milk.

Jars/bottles of: jam, cooking oil,

Toiletries: shampoo, shower gel, shaving foam, washing capsules/washing up liquid, toilet roll, deodorant (roll on)

We do hope you will support our charity work to help make a better world for our neighbours nearby or far away. Thank you for your generosity and support.

From Mrs Pemberton and our Y5 Mini Vinnies.