

# ABBOTSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL



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## Christmas Tree Service and food collection - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Dear Parents / Carers,

Last week we had Joyce and her team from Southampton City Mission come into school and take an assembly about Advent. In addition to learning about Advent, she launched a food appeal for us to donate to. We supported Basics Bank last year at Christmas and at Harvest and we are keen to support this charity again this year.

We are not asking for a Christmas food donation but a general food donation to support those in need around and after the festive period. Below, we have attached a table with suggestions of things that Basics Bank is short of that will help families in need. A long sell by date is really crucial. We know this winter could be difficult for many so we are pleased that we can support those who need help in our wider community.

So far in 2023, Basics Bank has fed people 18,889 times and clothed 1,877 people! We are pleased to have the opportunity to once again support this charity.

Please can we ask the children to bring in their donations on Friday 15th December and **take them to their own classroom in the morning**. The children will then place the donations by the Christmas tree during the day ready for the Christmas Assembly. The children are busy learning songs for the assembly and we're looking forward to a Christmas celebration as a whole school.

We are looking forward to seeing all the children in their Christmas jumpers and/or accessories at the assembly.

Yours sincerely,

**Mrs G Taylor**  
Assistant Head Teacher

**OUT OF STOCK**

**Tinned Cold Meat** (Ham, Spam, etc.)

**Coffee** (Small Jars)

**Vegetarian, Vegan**

**Tinned Carrots**

**Tinned Mixed Veg**

**Household Larder**

**Toiletries** (Toilet Rolls)

**UHT Milk**

**Sugar** (Small Bags)

**URGENTLY NEEDED**

**Tinned Hot Meat** (Curry, Pies, Stew, etc.)

**Carrier Bags**

**Cook-In Sauces** (Jars & Packets)

**Custard**

**Jams & Spreads**

**Nappies size 6+**

**Nappies size 5**

**Tinned Rice Pudding**

**Tinned Sweetcorn**

**Squash & Drinks**

**Tinned Fruit**

**Tinned Macaroni Cheese**

**Tinned Potatoes**

**Toiletries** (Soap & Shower Gel)

**Toiletries** (Male & Female Deodorant)

**Toiletries** (Sanitary Towels)

**Toiletries** (Shampoo)

**Treats** (Chocolate, Crisps, etc.)

**LOW ON STOCK**

**Hot Chocolate**

**Noodles** (Packets)

**Rice**

**Toiletries** (Toothbrushes)

**Toiletries** (Toothpaste)

**Tea**

**Tinned Fish**

**Tinned Kidney Beans & Pulses**

**Tinned Peas**

**Tinned Spaghetti** (In Tomato Sauce)

**Tinned Tomatoes**

**Pet Food** (Cats)

**Pet Food** (Dogs)

**Gluten Free**

**WELL STOCKED**

**Pasta**

**Soup** (Packets, Cups)

**Soup** (Tins, Particularly Chunky)

**Baby Food**

**Cereal** (Especially Weetabix)

**Nappies size 0 – 2**

**Nappies size 3 – 4**

**Tinned Baked Beans**