**SCOIL NAOMH TREASA**

26th November 2020

**Dear Parents,**

The Christmas season is upon us again and there is lots of excitement about the school. Sadly, our annual Christmas Concert cannot go ahead given the current climate. Each year in **Scoil Naomh Treasa** the staff and pupils try to put a focus on the importance of giving to others, especially those who may need a little extra help at this time of year. With this in mind we have decided to support bothour local **SVP** and **The Drogheda Homeless Aid**. Staff would kindly ask parents that in lieu of Christmas gifts for teachers and SNAs this year, a donation to either charity would be appreciated.   
 **Christmas Cards:** Our Parent’s Council is running a Christmas Card fundraiser this year. Each pupil has designed a beautiful Christmas Card. A sample card and order form, will be sent home with pupils today. If you wish to order cards, please return the order sheet, along with payment in a sealed envelope, no later than Tuesday 1st December. Half of the proceeds from our ***Christmas Card*** fundraiser will be donated to **SVP**. Unfortunately, due to current restrictions, this year we cannot facilitate the exchanging of Christmas cards in school amongst pupils.

**Christmas Jumper Day:** We will be having a Christmas Jumper Day on the 11th of December this year. We invite all pupils to wear festive clothing and to make a donation of €2 to **SVP** on the day.

**Food Appeal for Drogheda Homeless Aid:** Our annual food/goods collection will be donated to the ***Drogheda Homeless Aid***. There will be a large basket at the front door, before and after school each day for donations.

Suggested items for ***Homeless Aid*** Collection:

·         Cereals / Porridge

·         Pasta / Rice / Noodles

·         Jars of Sauces

·         Seasonal Treats – Crisps / Cakes / Sweets / Selection Boxes / Biscuits

·         Crackers / Cereal Bars

·         Shower Gels

·         Toothpaste

·         Toothbrushes

·         Shampoo

·         Hats / Gloves / Scarves

·         Socks

·         Quick Soups / Pot Noodles

**Kind regards,**

*The Staff of Scoil Naomh Treasa*