



THE ALDWORTH CHARITY CLUB NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2019



Hello and welcome to the latest newsletter written and produced by everyone who attends the Aldworth Charity Club. You will find all the latest information about the fundraising activities we have been involved in around school, how we support the school and local community and what future fundraising plans we have. There are also messages you need to know about. We hope you enjoy reading it.

CHARITY FOCUS: THE BASINGSTOKE FOOD BANK

This half - term Charity Club will be supporting the Basingstoke Food Bank, which is part of the Trussell Trust who are a nation-wide network of food banks working to fight hunger and poverty across the UK. Did you know that 1 in 5 of the UK population live below the poverty line? The Basingstoke Food Bank provides compassionate, practical support to people in crisis to help better address the underlying causes of poverty. In recent years, the food bank has been widening their services to prevent people from reaching further crisis and help them break free from poverty. Please visit trusselltrust.org for further information on the charity.

THE CHARITY CLUB FOOD BANK SCHEME



One of Charity Club's 'big projects' this year is to hold a termly collection in aid of the Basingstoke Food Bank. Starting in 2012, the Basingstoke Food Bank gave out over 4,000 three – day emergency food supply packages to local people in crisis during 2018 so Charity Club has decided to lend them their support this year. Each term students and staff will be invited to donate one or two items if possible to the scheme. These items will then be taken along to the Food Bank for distribution to people who are in need or crisis. The autumn term collection date is **Tuesday 22nd October** so please give whatever you can.

Suitable items always include long life milk and juice, tinned meat, vegetables and fruit and basic toiletries.

Thank you in advance for your support.

GAMING AFTERNOON

Throughout the year Charity Club will be organising a gaming afternoon every half – term with the first afternoon scheduled for **Wednesday 16th October**. This will take place in room B1.5 between 3:00pm and 4:00pm and there will be a selection of consoles and games for students to play on with drinks and nibbles provided as well. Entry will be £1 with all money going towards the Basingstoke Food Bank.

GET INVOLVED

Can you help us? Charity Club would like to broaden our contact list so if you work for a company or know someone who does, please get in touch. We would also welcome any kind donations of items we could use for raffles, tombola's and other events. They could be board games, books, DVDs and any other household items that would be suitable to use. Many thanks in advance.

OPEN EVENING 2019

On Wednesday 18th September, Charity Club students helped at the Aldworth Open Evening. The students spoke to visiting parents and children about the activities Charity Club have been involved in over the last year and how much money was raised as a result. On display were Charity Club resources, a video of highlights from last year and a poster of all the fundraising totals that were raised in the process. There was also the 'Wheel of Fortune' activity that children could play and win sweets and prizes. The students received many compliments from all those visiting and the evening was a big success.



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On Friday 27th September Mrs Keep and Mrs Pearson held a successful coffee morning in aid of the Macmillan Cancer Support Charity in the staff room. Charity Club students were invited to attend and purchase some of the cakes and cookies that were available. There was a very impressive selection on offer with items ranging from beautifully decorated cupcakes to giant chocolate chip cookies. Charity Club would like to pass on a huge 'well done' to all those who organised the morning and to all those people who donated home-made cakes and other items.



WALKERS CRISP PACKET RECYCLING SCHEME

Charity Club are re-introducing the Walkers Crisp Packet recycling scheme for 2019-2020 around school where staff and students are encouraged to recycle their used crisp packet. Walkers and recycling firm TerraCycle worked collaboratively in order to develop a recycling solution for crisp packets. The method involves cleaning and shredding the crisp packets, allowing them to be melted into small plastic pellets that can then be used to make new rigid plastic items such as garden furniture. So far, Walkers have recycled over 1 million crisp packets with Aldworth contributing several hundred to that total. Charity Club looks forward to continuing their good work that was started last year.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MONDAY 21ST – FRIDAY 25TH

OCTOBER



WHAT'S ON

- Basingstoke Food Bank collection day on Tuesday 22nd
- Book and DVD sale on Thursday 24th at lunchtime in the Main Hall

MONDAY 4TH – FRIDAY 8TH

NOVEMBER

WHAT'S ON

- Poppy Sale every lunchtime in the Main Hall
- The Poppy Appeal 'Big Write' competition



FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

WHAT'S ON

- Bake Sale
- The Pudsey 'Loose Change Challenge'
- Games and competitions and lot's more!



Charity Club have the aim of beating last year's record breaking total (£3,800) this year by passing the £4000 mark. We hope you will be able to help us in our efforts.

