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Dear Parents/Carers,

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Currently, the Junior Leadership Team of the school (Year 6 House Captains) are in the process of raising the awareness of the issue of homelessness within our local community. As the idea of the "home" is vitally important to us as the "Homefield family," we felt it was only right to try to do what we could to improve the chances of others being able to experience the same.

According to statistics in December 2018 in Norfolk alone, more than 600 people were recorded as being homeless and nearly 50 were sleeping rough. In Great Yarmouth, 213 people were homeless and 3 were rough sleepers. Four months on, these figures have now worsened.

The JLT have contacted the Herring House Trust (www.herringhoustrust.org.uk/), which is a charitable homeless shelter in Great Yarmouth, to enquire as to the items they may need, so that these can then be distributed to the people affected. Their approach is to prepare backpacks of necessary items that may reduce the discomfort of those forced to sleep rough. As a result, we would like to ask for your help to offer what donations you can to help the JLT improve the issue of homelessness and support the Herring House Trust with their campaign.

We are looking for the following items:

Wet Wipes

Tissues

Sachets of Hot Chocolate

Warm Socks for Men and Women

Gloves for Men and Women

Pen and Diary Sets

Energy/Protein Bars

Instant/Cuppa Soups

Mints or Boiled Sweets

Toothbrush

Scarves for Men and Women

Tinned Foods

Packets of Biscuits

A Travel Mug

A Fleece Blanket

Toothpaste

Bottled Water

(All products must be well within their Best Before Dates)

The JLT and school would be very grateful for any assistance you are willing to give with the above items to enable the issue of homelessness to improve within our local community.

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher and the Junior Leadership Team

