

Dear Parents/Carers,

We understand that many of our families are feeling the effects of the cost of living crisis and the impact that this can have on everybody's mental and physical health. We are lucky to be able to provide free school meals to a large number of our children but also understand that sometimes more is needed. We also understand that feeding children in the school holidays can add pressure to already tight budgets. I wanted to take the opportunity to let you know about a local organisation which may be able to help you keep everyone fed. The Church of the Good Shepherd offer a foodbank service to local families and are already supporting many families in nearby villages. They are able to provide non-perishable foodstuffs, bathroom/cleaning items and emergency support.

Once referred, you would then be able to collect directly from the church between 9-10am (you may get a bit more choice over what you can get) on Monday mornings. Deliveries to school or home can also be arranged. All that is needed to make a referral is to email me with your name, a contact number and the number of adults and children in your household (including ages of the children). If you feel that this service would benefit your family then please do contact me, in confidence, through the office or email Ldechaine@bgpschool.kent.sch.uk

More information is available at <https://cogsonline.co.uk/charities/> including information about how to make donations and support this service.

Kind regards,

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