

From the Headmaster: Craig Williams, MA (Oxon), P.G.C.E.

Letter to All Parents

Friday 1st July 2022

Dear Parents,

## Charities 2021-22

I am writing to express my gratitude for all your help and generous support of our fundraising efforts this year. For the first time we supported three charities, all small and all local - Soundabout, Oxford Food Hub and The Abingdon Bridge. Once again our efforts were sadly affected by Covid, but the events that did take place were enthusiastically supported by the boys. Pre Prep have been raising funds by selling items that they have made, from lavender bags to pebble naughts and crosses games. Our Year 7 business tycoons again proved successful entrepreneurs, not put off by the Christmas Bazaar being cancelled, they sold their goods at breaktimes and afterschool.

We collected donations for the Ukraine crisis and within days of asking for help we had amassed a large collection of sleeping bags, food and warm clothes which were transported right to the hub of events. Meanwhile the Senior section boys brought in non perishable food donations at Christmas, which were gratefully received by the local food bank.

Our four houses have also been successfully fundraising this term, with cake sales, home clothes day, a tuck shop and a colouring competition, together amassing nearly £1000 for their chosen charities.

Next year I am hoping that we can reinstate some of the boys' favourite events - The Bake Off competition and a sponsored swim. We have also made the decision to support the same three charities for a second year.

Best wishes,

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