

St Matthew Academy

St Joseph's Vale, Blackheath, London SE3 0XX
Head of School: Miranda Baldwin



9 March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

St Matthew Academy – Lenten Charity Fundraising for Lewisham Hospital Children's Ward

St Matthew Academy have begun organising fundraising events for the season of Lent. As a Catholic school, we are very mindful of our calling to support those in need. Therefore, we are aiming to collect donations to raise funds, which will undoubtedly make a huge difference to the families and children spending time in Lewisham Hospital Children's ward.

Our planned charity fundraising activities and events will run from **Monday 13th March to Friday 31st March 2017**. This is a whole school effort, driven by the pupils of St Matthew Academy. The Student Council have met on several occasions to discuss how best the school can raise money for the Children's Ward.

Activities and events to help support collecting donations for our Lenten Charity include:

- Suggested pupil donation of **£1 and/or bag donation of good quality clothes and shoes** (35p per kilo)
- Whole school pupil and staff raffles
- Year 10 Bake Sale
- Bridge Walk in conjunction with Sacred Heart Catholic School
(Meeting at St Matthew Academy at 8.30am on Sunday 19th March 2017. Bridge Walk begins at 10.00am at Tower Bridge)
- The 'Row Off' Competition (Rowing competition)
- Games Console Competition
- Table Tennis Competition
- Primary School Lenten Breakfast
(8.40 -9.00am on Friday 31 March 2017 at the primary school, all primary parents are welcome)
- Primary School Own Clothes Day/ Dress Up Day on Friday 31 March 2017
- Parent Group Cake Sale on Friday 31 March 2017

Thank you in advance for supporting our Lenten Charity activities and events. I have every confidence you will be able to encourage your child to support a worthy cause for children within the local community.

If you require any further information regarding our current Lenten Charity fundraising activities and events, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr R Wanza
Assistant Head, Head of RE & Catholic Life