## The Newman Catholic Collegiate



## St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy



"Lord be thy word my rule."

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Mini Vinnies Charity Chocolate Hamper Raffle and Non Uniform Day

This term our charity fundraising focus is Father Hudson's (The Good Shepherd Appeal). To find out more about this charity, please follow the link below. <a href="https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/">https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/</a>

In addition to the usual Good Shepherd appeal, we have also been asked by the Birmingham Diocesan Education Service to have another fundraising initiative to support the Father Hudson society. If every child in a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of Birmingham donated £1, over £83,000 would be raised.

Next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March we will having a non-uniform day. We are asking children, if they can, to donate either some Easter chocolate or £1 for our class Easter hampers. There will also be an additional hamper that will be dairy free to include any children with allergies.

The following week, the children in our Rotarians group will create a hamper for each class to be raffled off. From Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, Mrs Horgan and the Rotarians will be selling raffle tickets for children to be able to win their class hamper. They are 50p a ticket or £1 for the strip.

## **Good Shepherd Appeal Bags**

In addition, your child will be bringing home a good shepherd appeal money bag. These bags replace the boxes from previous year and the school will recycle the plastic bags once all money has been sent on and counted. During Lent, if you or your child have any spare change, it doesn't matter how much, they can collect this in the bag. Please send all bags with any money inside back into school in the last week of term before Easter.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Rigby, Mrs Horgan and the Rotarians