

## Thomas Gray Primary School

# Charities Policy

#### Introduction

This policy is designed to support the schools aims of encouraging children to take their place as active members of the world community, developing individual strengths and being tolerant and respectful for themselves and others.

#### General Principles

To promote involvement in the local, national and international communities. To give pupils opportunities to plan and carry out projects as members of a school/class.

To encourage pupils to develop the habit of regular charitable giving and to understand why this is important.

#### Aims

To raise money for a number of local, national and international charities thereby reinforcing our character strengths and bucket filling values. To support charities in ways other than donating money.5

#### **Procedures**

#### Small change -

Any 'small change' found and unclaimed is to be sent to the office and collected over the year. At the end of each year it is donated to the schools nominated charity.

The aim is not to raise huge sums of money but to help pupils realise the value of money and that 'small change' can make a big difference in the lives of others.

#### Non-Uniform Days

There will normally be three non-uniform days per year -to collect items for our School Fayre.

## Charity Days

Currently our nominated charities to organise fundraising events for are:

Jeans for Genes - September

Harvest Festival - food donations given to the local food bank

Children in Need - Autumn Term

Remembrance Day - Poppies available

Hearts for Homeless - Christmas

Comic Relief/Sport Relief - Spring Term

Alder Hey Hospital Children's Charity - Summer Term

The School Council will annually review our commitment to these nominated charities and may change them accordingly.

The school will also seek to support pupils if they wish to initiate an event.

## **Publicity**

Charity activities should be publicised to pupils, staff, parents and governors. All charity events should be announced in Staff meetings with as much notice as is possible.

Assemblies will be given to the whole school to introduce the charity and explain why funds are being collected.

Information about the amounts raised will be published in the school newsletters and on the school website.

School staff will report to the local press of any newsworthy charity events undertaken by the school.

PPS HEADTEACHER.

A.P. Taylor CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

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