

the GREENROOM school

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Ukraine Crisis Appeal

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the invasion of Ukraine happening during our half term we have been mindful of the impact this will have on our pupils. It can be extremely unsettling to see many of the images and stories that are dominating our media channels right now.

I am pleased to say that in the conversations and lessons where we have discussed this, our pupils have shown maturity, empathy and responded with kindness.

Doing something practical to help can help to make sense and give purpose during a humanitarian crisis such as this, when it is easy to feel helpless! Our pupils and staff would like to help and these are some of the ways we are getting involved. We would appreciate your help in any way you can.

Donating items

One of our GR6 students is doing an amazing job in helping Polish charity Szlachetna Paczka, who send items to the border between Poland and Ukraine, which currently sees approximately 5,000 women and children refugees daily. She has put out an appeal for the following:

- Personal hygiene items: Bars of soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, flannels, sanitary towels, 2-in-1 shampoos
- Food items: Tea, coffee, milk powder, peanut butter, jelly sweets and candied sweets, plain and milk chocolate
- Baby items: Baby milk powder, baby bottles/teats
- Other items: Old blankets, sleeping bags, socks, gloves, hats, thermos flasks

The charity aims to give each family that crosses the border a care package that includes a sandwich and hot drink. More information on the charity can be found here:

<https://www.szlachetnapaczka.pl/>

The Polish Association in Slough has also set up a collection point for donations for Ukrainian refugees in Poland and have requested the following:

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- **Personal hygiene items:** soap, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, toothbrushes, sanitary pads, baby and child toiletries, nappy pants, baby wipes, toilet rolls and handkerchiefs.
- **New clothes including underwear:** for children any age and adults
- **New shoes:** for children any age and adults

If you are able to send in any of the above items, we will collect them at The Green Room and The Swan and make sure they reach their destinations.

Please send your donations by **10 March 2022**. More information on the Polish association can be found on [this flyer](#).

Buy a Cake!

Our GR6 students have baked Ukrainian-themed shortbreads for The Swan pub for our Coffee Corner on 4 March and over the weekend. All proceeds from the sale will go to the British Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal. Come along to tomorrow's Coffee Corner or pop into the Swan over the weekend for a delicious treat!

Donating money

Alternatively, if you would like to donate money, we would suggest visiting the [British Red Cross website](#) where you can make a donation to the British Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal.

For more details on all of the above, please check out the dedicated page on our website. <https://www.thegreenroomschool.com/donationsforukraine>

Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any other suggestions of ways in which we can help please let us know.

Kind regards,



Richard Allen
Head of School

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