



*"Somehow, not only for Christmas, but all the long year through,
The joy that you give to others, is the joy that comes back to you.
And the more you spend in blessing the poor and lonely and sad,
The more of your heart 's possessing returns to you glad".*

— John Greenleaf Whittier

Dear Parents,

Season's Greetings from Team Bal Bharati Public School, Noida and National Progressive Schools Forum!!!

Its yet another Christmas, a time when we all experience the joy of sharing, caring, empathy and wish for a peaceful world - **a world which coexists, and no one clamours for food!**

It is said: "The right use of food can end hunger". Food is the essence of life and the bedrock of our cultures and communities. It can be a powerful means to bring people together to grow, nourish and sustain the planet. The exceptional circumstances we have all been living in through 2020 underscores this — not only does Covid - 19 pose a threat to food security and agricultural livelihoods, but it also compounds the threats already faced by 690 million people around the world. An estimated 135 million people in 55 countries around the world face acute levels of hunger due to scarcity of food. Shortage & wastage of food can arguably have a lot of reasons such as global warming, climate change, deforestation.....& the effect is endless!

In the light of the pandemic's effects on the food and agricultural sector, prompt measures are needed to ensure that food supply chains are kept alive to mitigate the risk of large shocks that have a considerable impact on everybody, especially on the poor and the most vulnerable. Though as an individual we do take standing on global issues, but **together** we can ensure to bring a positive change for the betterment of our world. Even though it seems impossible to revive the losses, but if each one of us reduce our food wastage, we can make a big change.

Small acts when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world. Keeping in mind this noble cause of sharing, we are starting **Bal Bharati, Noida and NPSC FOOD BANK**. To make this a reality, we are partnering with Goonj, Earth Saviour Foundation, Paalna and Cheshire Home. Hence, we request all parents to come together and help us spread this campaign to support those in need. **The Bal Bharati, Noida and NPSC Food Bank** with its collection centres in Delhi, NCR, India & abroad will be collecting supplies of **dry rations, toiletries, stationeries & winter clothes (NEW, not used)**.

We request all parents to join hands in this humanistic long-term initiative. Let's teach our students the true worth of charity & be harbingers of social change! We humbly request you to contribute generously & deposit the dry supplies **on or before Monday, 20 December, 2021**.

It's time to make a blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all, in support of **ZERO Hunger SDG #2**. Our neighbour and partner schools, **Cambridge School, Noida** and **Mayoor School, Noida** are joining us in this mission to meet out the SDG goals.

This Christmas let's spread some hope & positivity to light up lives.

Hoping to spread this Christmas and New Year cheer with all of you!!!

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