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Dear Parents/Guardians

### **Dress-down Day**

Friday, 22 December 2017 will be our dress-down day this term. The theme for pupils and staff will be Christmas Jumper Day. The Charities Committee have chosen the Inverurie Food Bank as the charity which we are fundraising for on this day. As a way of fundraising we would like to ask pupils to bring in an item, preferably from the list below or £1 to help fund the emergency food fund.

Items that are preferable as donations for the food bank at Christmas are:-

***Tinned pasta sauce, tinned vegetables, instant potato mix, stock cubes, sponge cake, rice pudding, tinned fruits, custard, jelly, jellied sweets.***

The items above have been identified by the food bank as ones that they run out of a lot and would be very grateful to receive. The food bank also requests that fresh foods are not donated as they have short dates and are more likely to be wasted. This food will be used for families in need after the New Year as Christmas packages have already been made up.

We request that before donating items you check the date; it would be ideal if the dates of the items were dated until March 2018.

The Aberdeenshire Food Bank is a registered charity in Scotland, No: SC045884. This charity provides emergency food to people in crisis. The Aberdeenshire food bank opened in 2013, and have fed 2,849 people across North Aberdeenshire in 2017. If you wish to find more information on the food bank please visit the following website: <https://aberdeenshirenorth.foodbank.org.uk/>

Thank you.

**Inverurie Academy's Charities Committee**