



St Robert of Newminster Catholic School and Sixth Form College



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RE FRIENDS OF ST ROBERT'S CHRISTMAS FAIR

MONDAY DECEMBER 18th 2017

Dear Parents/Carers and Friends,

On **Monday 18th December from 12.20pm -6pm**, The Friends of St Robert's are hosting a Christmas Fair to promote and raise funds for a wide range of charities and groups; some of the charities are our school charities and are very special to our students and some of the charities are from our wider community and are very special to members of our staff. Some of the money raised will go directly to the The Friends of St Robert's to support specific projects within school.

The fair from 12.20pm-3.30pm is for students only but there will be outside vendors and parents/carers/families/friends can attend after school.

Your child will have the opportunity to visit the fair on Monday. Here they can purchase such things as personalised Christmas decorations, beautiful jewellery, arts and crafts and lots more gift ideas for Christmas. There will be a range of delicious snacks and drinks. In addition some of our stalls are offering chances to win glittering and festive prizes. Prior to the fair there will be a raffle which will be drawn in the last week of term. We do hope that you are able to support us by purchasing tickets for the raffle as there are some excellent prizes.

Any donations of a raffle prize or something for the tombola stall, both adult and child friendly, would be greatly appreciated. There is a collection basket at student and visitor reception for your child to make their donation. Any parents wishing to run a stall of their own (Fee £10) will be very welcome. Please contact school reception on (0191) 561 3810 or e mail the school at Burke.J@strobertofnewminster.co.uk

Also as we are trying to raise as much as possible it would be great if somebody was able to "match fund" the Christmas Fair. We are aware that Barclays runs this scheme but there may be other firms who are also involved in this. This basically means that whatever we raise on the day will be matched by a business. Please get in touch with us if you are able to support in this way.

On a serious note we hope this is also an opportunity for our students to appreciate the wonderful things people in and around school do to help and support those less fortunate than us. At this time of year we believe it is good to take a little time out to do something for others.

This is a one day event for our students, so your child may ask your permission to bring a little extra money to spend. Whether your child has a little or a lot of pocket money to spend, they are more than welcome to visit our fair to soak up the festive atmosphere and look at the great work our school and community does. We do hope that you will be able to join us. There may even be a visit from Santa!

Best Wishes,

Barry Pescod Chairperson of The Friends of St Robert's

Julia Burke Director of Ethos

