



Our Challenge to Help the Ashby Food Bank

Our project to support the Ashby Food Bank started when Reverend Tim Philips came to visit and told everybody in Collective Worship about the Ashby Food Bank. He explained how some people could not afford to buy food and needed to go to get food from a food bank. People who need help have to get a special form from somebody like a doctor, head teacher, or a social worker. They can then go to the food bank and are given 3 days of food to help them in an emergency. The Ashby food bank has helped over 500 people and half of them have been children. All the food is donated and the food bank is run by volunteers.

Mrs Price then challenged us to work in our classes to encourage our families and our local community to work together to collect as much food as we could to take to the food bank.

Some of us did some research to find out more. The Owls and Eagles interviewed Reverend Tim to find out more. We wanted to know what sort of food was needed and why. Some of us wrote letter to parents. The best ideas were put together in a letter that everybody took home. Another person wrote to Reverend Lesley so she could make an announcement in Church. We also made posters to go up around the school, village and in church. We put boxes out to collect the food in the entrance hall. Each week the school council put the food on display so parents and children could see how well we were doing.

Reverend Vivien also visited and led a collective worship on inequality. She used a chocolate cake to help us think about justice and how unfair life can be.

Once a week a group of children went with Mrs Price to take the food to the food bank and they also helped weigh, label and store the food. Alex and Josh helped put together a bag of food to go to someone in need. In total we raised 212.8Kg of food. This will feed 20 people for 3 days.

We are very proud that we have been able to contribute to the food bank and help and show friendship to others. It has made us thankful that we have food to eat and helped us to be compassionate through understanding the needs of other people.