



16th May 2019

To: Parents of Children in Nursery to Year 10

Dear Parents

Sal's Shoes Toe 2 Toe Initiative

The Junior School Council are delighted to inform you that we will be taking part in the Sal's Shoes Toe 2 Toe initiative throughout the Summer Term.

We would like children to donate their unwanted summer footwear (Crocs, flip-flops, open shoes, canvas shoes, trainers) and unwanted winter footwear (snow boots, wellington boots, weatherproof shoes/boots) plus black leather school shoes. We will be giving the donated shoes to children in Africa via the wonderful work of Sal's Shoes. Shoes, which are unlikely to be worn again because feet have grown or because they are a little scuffed, won't just sit in the shoe cupboard getting in the way, but will have a second life.

There is no obligation to take part but we would love for you to support this charity and the work they carry out in finding new feet for pre-loved children's shoes. As a School Council, we want to help those fellow school children who have no choice but to leave school barefoot every day. Please help us to help others who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Once all of the shoes have been collected in, School Council representatives will act as 'shoe sorters' to check shoes are clean, band them in pairs and sort them into boys' and girls' shoes. The charity will also let us know where all your shoe donations have been sent, and wherever possible share photos of the shoes being distributed.

We will accept footwear up to an adult size 6. If we are inundated, we reserve the right to send excess stock to local charity shops. Additional fundraising will be done to raise the contribution required for transportation.

Toe to Toe is now in its fourth year. In 2017, 600 schools in the U.K. [alongside several schools worldwide] participated in Toe to Toe. Over 175,000 pairs of Sal's Shoes were donated. To find out more about Sal's Shoes you can visit their website www.salsshoes.com or Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/salsshoes1>

Please give your unwanted shoes to Miss Wilson in Year 2. Footwear can be left with Miss Wilson in the Junior School or at Reception in Senior School by Friday 24th May.

Many thanks for your support,

Miss Wilson and the Junior School Council