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A Catholic Independent Primary School for boys and girls aged 3 to 11

For immediate release



Laleham Lea School Pupils Support St Vincent's Centre

Led by their 'Mini Vinnies' group, pupils from Laleham Lea School in Purley have donated hundreds of food items to the St Vincent's Centre in Brixton to help support South London families that are struggling with the cost of living this autumn.

The Mini Vinnies are the youngest members of the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), an international Christian voluntary organisation dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people in need. At Laleham Lea, their 'Mini Vinnies' meet regularly and help to shape the school's approach to charitable giving and caring for their community.

Items including pasta, tinned vegetables, custard and washing pods were donated by Laleham Lea families to the St Vincent Centre who are urgently requesting donations during these challenging times for families.

Maria Reece, Acting Head Teacher at Laleham Lea said: "There is always a big focus on charitable giving at Laleham Lea as we strive to live out our Catholic Social Teaching principals of The Common Good and Preferential Option for the Poor. Our Mini Vinnies are very enthusiastic and were very keen to support the vital work of the St Vincent Centre in the local

community this year and we hope that our harvest donations help to make a difference.”

Katy Ramsey, the national Mini Vinnies Manager said: “A big thank you to the Mini Vinnies and everyone at Laleham Lea School for the huge Harvest donation that St Vincent's Brixton received. What a super collection, one that will support a lot of people who are supported by the centre. The school now also has a great link with their local Purley adult SVP group, who kindly helped with the delivery and will support their activities going forward.”

Faith Mall, Centre Manager, also extended her thanks for the generous donation.

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About Laleham Lea School

Laleham Lea is a Catholic Independent Primary School situated in Purley, Surrey providing education for boys and girls aged 3 to 11 years. The school aims to provide a broad, balanced and challenging curriculum within a happy learning environment. The majority of pupils are Catholic, but we warmly welcome children of all faiths who are sympathetic to our ethos.

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