

# Armthorpe Food Support For local people who need help

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We are a group of local people who are working together to try and help Armthorpe residents who are struggling financially and are having difficulty in feeding themselves and their family. It doesn't matter if you are single, a couple or a family.

We will provide food packages, which will be delivered to your home.

In order to recieve a food package you will need to fill in the form below. We are asking for simple, straight forward information and won't use this for anything else. You can return the form to the red post box on Armthorpe Community Centre gates.

If you, or someone you know, needs this kind of support please get in touch!

We will treat you with kindness and respect and do our best to help.

Please remember that this support is avaiable only for people who aren't currently recieving food support from another organisation.

NAME	NAME	
ADDRESS	ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE No:	TELEPHONE No:	
OF ADULTS IN FAMILY	NUMBER OF ADULTS IN FAMILY	
ND AGE OF CHILDREN	NUMBER AND AGE OF CHILDREN	
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'Freedom' according to the catechism of the Catholic Church is;

#### Freedom and Responsibility

1731 Freedom is the power, rooted in reason and will, to act or not to act, to do this or that, and so to perform deliberate actions on one's own responsibility. By free will one shapes one's own life.

1732 As long as freedom has not bound itself definitively to its ultimate good which is God, there is the possibility of choosing between good and evil. This freedom characterizes properly human acts. It is the basis of praise or blame, merit or reproach.

1733 The more one does what is good, the freer one becomes. There is no true freedom except in the service of what is good and just.

1734 Freedom makes man responsible for his acts to the extent that they are

voluntary...Freedom is exercised in relationships between human beings. Every human person, created in the image of God, has the natural right to be recognized as a free and responsible being. All owe to each other this duty of respect. the right to the exercise of freedom, especially in moral and religious matters, is an inalienable requirement of the dignity of the human person. This right must be recognized and protected by civil authority within the limits of the common good and public order.

Schools up and down the country are having to consider their individual response to the second day of industrial action by teachers. This action is a lawful act taken in response to a crisis in education funding. It is freely taken by these staff at a financial cost to themselves and their families, not just the loss of a day's pay but also impacting on their pensions.

However, Freedom in this context divides opinion.

Before half term, we alerted all pupils and parents about our usual mid-year refocus on our Basic Standards. These include uniform, being fully equipped, being on time and attending school.

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 27 students had to have their uniform

corrected. That's 1.8% of the school population. Two refused (0.1%) and chose to spend a day in internal exclusion. On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>, (0.5%) had uniform corrected and all complied. \*

Freedom to decide that the rules don't apply isn't contentious; it just cannot apply in a school setting. It is a lesson for life.

Very many of our students choose to make the best of their time at McAuley. Beth Saxton, our Head Girl explains how our sixth formers recently took on freedom and responsibility to make a real difference to the lives of others.

"'Decades day' was a great sixth form community event where people dressing up for every decade from the 1920s to the 2020s!! The effort people put in was amazing and was a great display of everyone in sixth form. Rather than collecting money we decided to organise a collection for a local foodbank. Collecting food, sanitary items and toiletries after Christmas would replenish the foodbank which has such a huge impact on the local community. In the current cost of living crisis, the food bank has never been so important to so many families.

We took the donations to Armthorpe food bank where we were welcomed by Chris one of the amazing volunteers, who was extremely grateful for our donations and then proceeded to explain how our donations would be used. It is down to the kindness of people's donations that the amazing work can continue."

Over half term our Chaplain, Polly, accompanied 4 sixth formers on a visit to a refugee camp on the outskirts of Calais which is supported by the refugee crisis charity, 'Care4Calais'.

The search for Freedom in this context also divides opinion. The next issue will focus on their visit. Yet another example where...

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### **God Bless**

#### **John**R

\*Any families requiring assistance with uniform should ,in confidence, contact eround@mcauley.org.uk