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Dear Parents,

In the past few days, I am certain, we have all been affected by the news and images of the war in Ukraine and the horrifying impact of the ongoing hostilities on the people. The images of large numbers of people leaving their homes and country to seek refuge and safety in neighbouring countries is difficult to watch.

In recent years, we have tried to support local organisations, such as the Trussell Trust and Rotary Club through donations. As a school community we are reaching out to you to help those so desperately in need.

Over the weekend we have become aware of a number of donation hubs that have been established across Northern Ireland, where people can donate items that will be transported to help those people and families impacted by the war. Locally in Ballymena, a donation hub has been set up at Rockfield Medical Centre. To this end we will be organising a collection for this donation hub and would be grateful for any of the following items:

- Clean blankets, bed clothes, sleeping bags
- Personal hygiene goods
- Towels
- Ready to eat canned food not requiring heating or further cooking)
- Nappies
- Milk powder for babies
- Dressings, bandages (factory packed)
- Warm socks, new underwear (male, female and child)
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, antiseptic hand gels/sprays etc)
- Toilet roll and paper towels, sanitary towels, wet wipes
- Paper plates, cups, single use cutlery etc.
- Dry food (fruits, nuts, crackers, cornflakes, rice crackers etc)
- Coffee, tea, salt, sugar
- Bottled water, juices and other beverages

We will ensure all donations are with Rockfield Medical Centre by Friday 4th March.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

J McAuley

Principal