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**School Council Hygiene/ Household Products Collection 2<sup>nd</sup> February – 27<sup>th</sup> February**

Dear parent/ guardian,

In our assemblies this week, the children have been learning about hygiene poverty.

Did you know...?

- Hygiene poverty affects 4.2 million adults in the UK.
- To put this into perspective, there are 1.3 million people who live in the whole of Lancashire.
- Hygiene poverty affects the mental and physical health of people and it limits people's social interactions with friends and family.
- It forces people to make the difficult decision between paying for essential things like food and bills or buying basic toiletries.

We have a close relationship with The Lighthouse Community Food Share who also distribute hygiene products to our Whitworth community. The School Council would really appreciate it if you could contribute some hygiene products to school between **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February**, these we will deliver to The Lighthouse Community Food Share. Products must be unopened and unused.

Here are some suggested products:

- Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush/ toothpaste
- Shampoo/ conditioner
- Nappies
- Female hygiene products
- Washing powder
- Household cleaning products

We do hope you will be able to support our endeavours and also talk with your children about the impact of hygiene poverty and why we should not take these essentials for granted.

With best wishes,

Tonacliffe School Council, Miss Griffiths, Mrs Moss and Mrs Heap