



As we approach the Holiday Season of giving thanks and celebrating our respective Religious Holidays, it's also the season to remember our less fortunate neighbors and children. With inflation hitting the poorest families the hardest, whatever we can donate this year is even more needed!

This year the Hudson Beach Yacht Club is continuing our generous and proud tradition of sponsoring a Toy and Food Drive for the children and families of the Hudson Primary Academy. The school now consists of grades Pre-K up through 3rd grade, but they also provide a setting for children as young as 2-3 years old. Many of their students are enrolled in ESE (Exceptional Student Education) , designed to assist those children with learning disabilities providing specially designed instruction to meet the specific learning requirements of each child.

Their needs are many, as approximately 90% of the children are in the free lunch program, and the school has identified approximately 200 children in need this Christmas.

All gifts should be unwrapped, some suggestions for gifts are socks and underwear (yes, they are really needed!), board games, Pokemon cards, nerf guns for boys, LOL and Barbie dolls, and little crafts sets for girls, but anything age-appropriate would be more than welcomed. If you donate battery powered toys, please also include batteries.

And, of course, foodstuffs. Any and all non-perishable packaged and canned foods (not out of date, please!) would be most appreciated so that the school can make up Holiday food baskets for the families.

Your kindness and generosity is sure to result in lots of smiles and joy for the many disadvantage and underprivileged children this Christmas; and might even result in a big smile on your face Christmas morning for playing Santa!

