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Dear Parent

I am writing with the kind permission of Mrs Speed about an idea to raise funds and help people in need during this pandemic. As a community we to would like to play our part and so the Parent Teacher Association at Sacred Heart in collaboration with counterparts at Great Crosby, at St Edmund's and St Thomas' and at Ursuline will work together to raise funds to help two local and deserving charities.

Across households many of us are now finding ways to socialise and entertain ourselves virtually, such as group quizzes, competitions and many more creative and inspiring activities. It would be great if funds over the coming months could be raised and donated to support this initiative. Alternatively, you may just wish to make a donation. We would love you to share ideas and images so we can help each other to raise morale and funds for these local charities.

Please send images to SACRED HEART to admin.sacredhearthigh@schools.sefton.gov.uk.

Aintree Hospital - HOSPITAL HEROES - Emergency Appeal: Support Our NHS

The staff on the front line in the fight against Coronavirus (COVID-19) are going the extra mile, every day, to take care of us and our loved ones despite being under extreme pressure. They need our support more than ever. During this time the Charity is determined to do everything it can to support the remarkable hospital staff leading the fight on the front line while also helping their patients. All funds raised will go towards the purchase of essential item packages for their frontline staff.

Jospice

St Joseph's Hospice provides specialist nursing care for people living with life-limiting illness, such as end stage heart failure, dementia and cancer. Their patients have a prognosis of up to 6 months. They have 29 beds and can care for 29 patients at any one time.

It costs in excess of £4 million to keep the hospice open, and they need independently to raise £3.1 million from sources such as their charity shops, donations, fundraising events and lottery. This equates to the hospice needing to raise £8750.00 per day. During this very challenging time, they have had to cancel all face to face fundraising events, initiatives and campaigns, as well as ceasing canvassing for people to join their lottery. During the next few months they will face very challenging times and some difficult decisions. During the current crisis they are concentrating on sustaining their staffing levels. Even their admin staff are helping in other areas such as meals, cleaning etc. to keep their patients safe and comfortable.

How you can help

Donations can be made to the PTA charity accounts. At Sacred Heart, this can be found at:

SACRED HEART Bank - BARCLAYS Sort Code 20-10-84 Account Number 40369632

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Yours sincerely Campboll

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