



St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School



RE: Crisis in Ukraine



Dear Parent/Carer,

The Mini Vinnies want us to help those most in need and as you are all very aware there has been some major developments in Ukraine. As a charity group, we feel it right to try and make a small difference to the millions affected. We would like to raise money for the British Red Cross. Their website provides an excellent summary of why our donations will be so important (www.redcross.org.uk):

“We are gravely concerned about the intensification of fighting in the Ukraine over the past few days. People are losing their homes and lives, families are being separated. Essential services like water and healthcare, are under threat. The people caught up in this conflict must be supported and protected. Even before recent developments, this eight-year conflict has hot people daily on all levels. It’s brought suffering, death, injury and separation from loved ones as well as the huge mental toll of ongoing violence and insecurity”

The Red Cross has supported people affected by this conflict for many years and this will not stop now. Your donation could help someone affected get:

Food Medicine Water Warm clothes First aid Shelter

Your donation will mean we can reach even more people in desperate need, please donate today!

As Mini Vinnies, we aim to raise money to support those affected by war. By making small individual donations, we can collectively make a huge difference. We will begin our fundraising efforts with:

A BLUE & YELLOW THEMED DAY ON FRIDAY 11th MARCH. We are asking all children to **wear the colours of the Ukrainian flag** and wherever possible, **donate £1 (via ParentPay)** which will be sent to the Red Cross. This event is designed to raise money and show solidarity with the Ukrainian people. This war directly impacts on a number of families in our community - our prayers for peace are so important at this time.

Your donation is key and wearing all blue or yellow is more than acceptable or a mix of both.

Thank you in advance for all your support with this event.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Shaw and the St Francis of Assisi Mini Vinnies