



2nd October 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may already be aware, the Academy is supporting and developing awareness of Emmaus, a new homeless project that is being developed in the city.

On Friday, October 9, we are organising a sponsored sleep out on our 7th floor outdoor area for approximately 20 students and five members of staff. Through the all night event, which starts at 8pm and finishes at 8am the next day, we are hoping to increase awareness of Emmaus, raise some money and provide our boys with an idea of what it is like to sleep 'rough' in the open air. Saturday, October 10, has also been designated nationally as a special day to mark homelessness worldwide.

Ten of the places have automatically been allocated to the boys who make up the Emmaus Student Support Group in school. However, if your son would like to be considered for one of the remaining 10 places, he should design a poster about homelessness and hand in to Student Services by Wednesday of next week. Committee members will then judge the posters as a means of allocating the remaining places for the sleep out.

Although only a small group of students will be taking part in the actual sleep out, we would welcome sponsorship money for the event and as always are keen to receive donations of clothes, bric a brac, toys etc to send to the Emmaus charity shops. Any contributions should be sent to Student Services in the first instance.

As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch with any queries or concerns.

Yours sincerely

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