

FINAL: 29th OCTOBER



Pupils at Wimbledon Chase Primary School showing their food donations: (L-R)
Lewis Ford, Truly Alabi-Isama, Gabriel Hodgkin, Headteacher Mrs Sue Tomes, Thomas Braddick, Neve Husain, Yammik Kambskard-Bennett

COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER TO MAKE A HAPPY HARVEST FOR ALL

The Wimbledon Guild would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all who have kindly donated to The Wimbledon Guild's annual Harvest collection. Nearly 5 tonnes of food have been donated this year by local organisations and over 25 schools, including: St Mary's, Donhead, St Mark's, Hillcross, Wimbledon Chase, Poplar, The Priory, Ricards Lodge, Holy Trinity Primary and All Saints schools.

This year's donations have provided much needed relief for struggling families, the elderly, the homeless and women's refuges across the community.

The great support received from local schools and churches during Harvest collection plays a huge role in helping The Wimbledon Guild to tackle poverty head on.

Faith in Action Project Manager, Andy said:

'Faith in Action Merton regularly give food parcels to homeless rough sleepers throughout the year. The donations we receive from the Wimbledon Guild restock our supplies each year, which helps us to carry on this invaluable service through the cold winter months'

The Wimbledon Guild is a dynamic local charity with a longstanding heritage which holds tackling poverty as one of its three core aims along with; supporting ageing and encouraging mental well-being. In this economic climate, need for these services has never been greater.

Visit www.wimbledonguild.co.uk for more information or contact

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Notes to Editors:

- The Wimbledon Guild was established in 1907 to provide financial, social and practical support for people in the Wimbledon area from the heart of the community
- The Wimbledon Guild aims to help local people lead a better life by tackling poverty, supporting ageing and encouraging mental well-being
- These three aims are achieved through The Wimbledon Guild's Ageing Well scheme, their counselling service (completely free for under 18s), a free furniture recycling project, the Small Grants Programme and a charity shop in Mitcham
- To find out more about what The Wimbledon Guild has been up to in the last year, take a look at the latest Annual Review or visit www.wimbledonguild.co.uk