"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it" Proverbs 22:6

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Dear parents and carers,

FAMILY SUPPORT

We are aware that with the rising cost of living some of our families will be struggling to make ends meet, particularly as we come into the winter season with energy bills increasing. We wanted to provide you with some resources that may help you and to let you know that Miss Hobbs and Miss Yeoman are available to speak to if you are struggling.

We are able to make e-referrals on your behalf to **Bexhill Food Bank**, situated at 19-20 Station Road, Bexhill. They offer food parcels to families in need and will consider any dietary requirements needed.

We have a pre-established contact at **Christians Against Poverty** who are located at Freedom Church in Sidley. You do not need to be a Christian to access this service and they give advice on money, debt, and how to improve your financial situation.

The Pelham in Sidley are a great community resource and they host a **Job Centre Drop-In** for anyone who is currently looking for work.

In school you can find applications for **Free School Meals** which you can apply for if you believe you are eligible. It is allocated based on your income, so you may be entitled for your child to receive a free school meal particularly if you are in receipt of benefits.

In our office, we have a selection of **Second Hand Uniform**. We have polo shirts, trousers, skirts and dresses in various sizes that is in good condition. We are able to give these items to our families for free if they need them.

And **Citizen's Advice 1066** is always available to provide help and support. Their telephone number is 01424 869352 and they are open Monday to Friday 9am -5pm. They provide advice and support in money, housing, work and benefits. They are able to offer energy advice from qualified specialist advisers on switching your supplier, getting a cheaper tariff, dealing with energy debt, applying for energy discounts and grants, benefit checks to maximise your income, budgeting help to reduce your outgoings and getting additional help from your supplier if you are vulnerable.

Most importantly, we want you to know that Miss Hobbs and Miss Yeoman will discuss any concerns with the upmost discretion and respect. You can contact us on **07951 345821** or on contact@allsaintsbexhill.org. We will help signpost you to the right place.

Many thanks,

Clare Holman-Hobbs
Family Support Worker