

100th Day of School

“100 Ways to Show We Care”



February 1, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you may know, each year schools celebrate the “100th Day of School. This year, in partnership with “**Connect for Community**,” we would like to use this day to show our children what **100 cents** can buy.

“Connect for Community” is a program started by a small group of volunteers to help supplement donations to our local food pantries, who continue to see demand rise at a rate of 100% per year. The children’s donations will help stretch the limited dollars available, which means, together, we can provide local food pantries with more non-edible essentials such as toiletries and hygiene products for the members of our community who need it most. Many of these items such as soap, toothpaste and toilet paper, are not covered by food stamps yet they are all necessities in life. Since the program began in 2010, our students have donated nearly 40,000 items!

We are asking each child to bring in one item of something we use every day, with a cost of **\$1.00 or less**. The items below are suggestions for children of each grade level. We hope all the children will enjoy watching the piles grow! Perhaps they can even purchase their item with a coupon! In February, **on your 100th Day of School**, our volunteers will collect the items, and we will distribute the donations to over 40 food pantries and social service agencies over the course of the upcoming year.

Kindergarten

Toothbrush

First Grade

Toothpaste

Second Grade

Bar Soap

Third Grade

Deodorant

Fourth Grade

Shampoo

Fifth Grade

Conditioner

Sixth Grade

Dishwashing Liquid

Seventh Grade

Wrapped Rolls of Toilet Paper

Eighth Grade

Paper Towels

If you have any questions or desire more information on the project, please contact me at n2lyp@optonline.net. You can also visit us on the web at www.connectforcommunity.org.

Sincerely,

Dorothy A. Santasieri
100th Day of School Coordinator



Community Connections (Who We Support)

Birth Haven – Newton- Michele Smith & Suzanne Stigers
Community Soup Kitchen & Outreach Center – Morristown -Mary Alice Beneziano & Suzanne Stigers
CUMAC – Paterson – Dawn Costello, Isobel Costello
DASI – Newton – Michele Smith
Denville Food Pantry- Denville – Carroll Lanyi
Department of Labor – Newton – Ginny Layton
Dr. Jeffrey Liegner’s Free Clinic – Newton – Ginny Layton
Emmanuel Cancer Foundation – Scotch Plains - Allison Kanarek
Emmaus House – Harlem – Suzanne Stigers
Father English Community Center – Paterson – Rose Mary Manganiello
First Baptist Church – Newton – Michele Smith, Carla Guignard
Ginnie’s House – Newton – Ginny Layton
Harvest Home – Hampton – Michele Smith, Carla Guignard, Irene Little
Harvest House – Sussex – Carla Guignard, Karen Bryson
Holy Counselor Lutheran Church – Sussex – Suzanne Stigers
Hope House – Dover – Jane Schwarz, Karen Fitzgerald
House of Mercy Mission – Newark – Suzanne Stigers
Human Needs Food Pantry – Montclair – Lauren Sprich
Interfaith Food Pantry – Morristown – Suzanne Stigers, Carroll Lanyi
Jersey Battered Women’s Service - Morristown – Mary Alice Beneziano, Suzanne Stigers
Lord’s Pantry – Hackettstown – Sarah Kuhns
Manna House – Newton – Diane Rodgers
Missionaries of God – Dover – Dianne Freiberger, Suzanne Stigers, Rose Marie Gammara, Carol Thomas
New Hope Food Pantry - Oak Ridge – Missy Murtha, Shirley Boushell
Our Lady Star of the Sea – Jefferson – Dottie Santasieri, Michaela Santasieri, Genni Santasieri
Our Lady Queen of Peace -West Milford – Liz Carroll
Project Self-Sufficiency – Newton – Carroll Lanyi
Rockaway Food Closet – Rockaway – Karen Fitzgerald
Samaritan Inn – Franklin – Suzanne Stigers
Sparta Ecumenical Food Pantry – Sparta – Michele Smith, Diane Rodgers, Shirley Boushell, Suzanne Stigers
St. Francis DeSales – Vernon- Melanie & Don Tanacredi
St. Mary’s Parish – Dover – Jane Schwarz
St. Thomas Episcopal Church – Vernon – Doreen Edwards
St. Thomas the Apostle Church - Sandyston - Rich Carlson
St. James the Greater Church - Sandyston – Rich Carlson
Stockholm United Methodist Church – Stockholm – Dawn & Isobel Costello
The Partnership for Social Services Family Center- Franklin – Rose Marie Gammara, Carol Thomas & Ginny Layton
Whitney Elementary School – Las Vegas, NV – Suzanne Stigers