

Pendle Community High School & College Oxford Road Nelson Lancs BB9 8LF

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Dear All,

## **Donation to the Open Door Centre**

I am writing to thank you for the generous food and toiletries donation you have made towards the work of the Open Door Centre. The response to my Facebook post has been incredible. We had an empty store cupboard and now it is full to bursting which, hopefully, will last us a few weeks at least.

As you probably know, we are a small local charity and receive no money from government sources and the food parcels and hampers we give are therefore, potentially, cost us a lot of money.

This Christmas we gave over 300 Christmas hampers to families in need and were able to give over 520 children a better Christmas. In addition, over 430 adults received Christmas food.

During 2023, in the current economic climate we saw the requirement for food parcels rocket and the demand has never been greater. Over the last 12 months we have given over 1,000 food parcels, over 800 free meals and the demand increases week by week.

Your donation will be used, along with others, to give families in a need a helping hand.

I enclose a leaflet that details the work of the charity. If you know anyone that you feel could benefit from the services we provide please do not hesitate to give them our number.

Thank you so much for thinking of us and helping us out.

Yours sincerely

Nick Alderson

Centre Manager

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