



# *St Mary's Catholic Primary School*

*Headteacher: Mrs Helen Armstrong*

*Diocese of Plymouth*

Dear Parents and Carers,

The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) Conference attached to St Mary's RC Church, Wimborne Road, Poole has been chosen to share in the current local Co-op funding scheme so please support them!

The SVP is a Christian voluntary organisation which provides assistance to those in need regardless of age, faith or gender. In Poole they help families, single parents, the sick and homeless and especially the elderly at home, in hospital and care homes with lifts, friendship and practical help.

Their local project is a monthly Tea and Chat club for seniors which caters for people from a wide area aged 60 - 90+ including some with disabilities. They regularly have 35 or more who enjoy an afternoon with tea, cake, books, games and activities in the church hall at no charge. They also provide lifts for the less mobile and have an annual outing to the coast with fish and chips!

Your support would enable SVP to extend the range of activities, entertainment and outings for elderly local people who enjoy getting out and spending time mixing with others.

If you are a Co-op member you can choose the Tea and Chat project at <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/7693> and then 1% of your spend of Co-op branded products will be donated to the project.

If you're not a member already you can sign up here and select SVP as your cause [www.coop.co.uk/membership](http://www.coop.co.uk/membership) <http://www.coop.co.uk/membership>

The Mini Vinnie group of Year 6 pupils is an off shoot of this group and do wonderful fundraising for local charities within our school. They recently raised around £130 by holding a cake sale in aid of The Brain Tumour Charity. Well done!

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S Betts.

Acting Deputy Head/SENCo.



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