

Belvedere College SJ

Charity and Fundraising Campaigns for Advent and Christmas 2021

Please review the campaigns below and donate what you can, where you can, and within your own means and resources. There is no obligation but know that every Euro will make a difference to each campaign. Thank you in advance for whatever is possible. We will report back to you in January how we did.

1. Sleep Out 2021



You can donate directly through this link [Recent News - Belvedere College S.J.](#) or scan this QR Code with your phone's camera



Or indeed support the individual JustGiving fundraising pages of one of the 111 students who are taking part, and a few teachers. Indeed, if you or your family want to set up your own Sleep Out fundraising page, simply click on this link <https://bit.ly/3D7K1q5> and you're part of the team !!!

2. JRS Toy Appeal



For several years now we have invited all Elements students to exclusively take on this campaign and make it their own as a first introduction to charity fundraising in Belvedere. The response has been phenomenal every year. On average we have been able to provide a toy for up to 450 children living in Direct Provision on Christmas morning.

This year's Elements students have already started their campaign. Each Elements student is invited to set up their own JustGiving page and spread the word and awareness about the work of Jesuit

Refugee Services (JRS) Ireland. You can donate directly to the campaign through this link [Belvedere/JRS Toy Appeal - JustGiving](#) or scan this QR Code with your phone's camera



Or again, like Sleep Out, you can support the individual JustGiving fundraising pages of one of the 168 Elements students invited to take part. And, also like Sleep Out, if you want to set up your own fundraising page as an individual or a family click on this link <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising-page/creation/?campaignShortName=JRSTOYAPPEAL2021> and welcome to the team.

3. **JRS Syria Winter Clothing Appeal**



In partnership with Irish Jesuits International (IJI), and in support of Irish Jesuit Tony O’Riordan SJ who is working on the front line in Syria, we are keen to offer our support to this campaign. You can read about the campaign on the link below and donate directly to it through that same link [Recent News - Belvedere College S.J.](#)

4. **Plant a Tree Campaign in association with Self Help Africa**



Science has informed us beyond doubt that planting trees is a simple and very effective way to offset carbon damage to our environment. Click on this link for more information [Reduce Your Carbon](#)

[Footprint - Plant Trees! \(selfhelpafrica.org\)](https://selfhelpafrica.org) and view this short video to learn about the impact of planting trees by clicking the link below.

[One Million Trees - Self Help Africa](#)



Belvedere College is partnering with Self Help Africa where we will collect funds, and for every €5 collected a native tree will be planted in Ireland and 10 trees in Africa. That's an incredible impact from such a small investment. Obviously, the more we collect, the more trees we can plant making the earth a greener and cleaner environment for future generations. We are inviting EVERY FAMILY in Belvedere to consider supporting this campaign. Imagine if each family donated just €5, we would plant over 5,000 native trees in Ireland and over 10,000 trees in Africa. What a difference that can make. We will get certification that the trees have been planted so we know we are making the difference we desire.

You can donate directly to this campaign by scanning this QR code with your camera's phone



Or by clicking this donation link on our website [Recent News - Belvedere College S.J.](#)

We plan to maintain this focus on tree planting, and we will follow up this Christmas campaign with another campaign for Lent in partnership with Easy Treesie – see link below. Watch this space.

[Easy Treesie – Planting 1M trees with Ireland's 1M children](#)

5. Shelton Abbey Prisoner Gift Appeal



Time for Giving

Give a gift to a prisoner this Christmas.

This is a gift giving incentive from Belvedere Parents to The Men of The Shelton Abbey Open Prison

"Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and the marginalized"...

This year has been a year like no other .So to Brighten up the prisoners Christmas 🎁 Men's cosmetics sets would be gratefully received. 🙏 Please hand them wrapped into reception for Pdraig Swan
Closing date :12/12/2021

Contact
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6. SVP Christmas Activity

The College St Vincent De Paul Conference of St Aloysius are very grateful to the Ladies Committee for their support of the work of SVP through their recent Christmas Festive Food Demo which took place from December 3rd to 5th last. All proceeds from the event will go to the work of St Vincent De Paul over the next year.

7. Belvedere4Barretstown Christmas Attire Appeal



To mark the College Christmas lunch and create some festive fun, students and staff are invited to wear some Christmas attire into school on Thursday Dec 9th. All proceeds associated with this event will be donated to Barretstown Christmas Appeal. You can donate by scanning this QR code with your camera's phone



We have many other service programmes that we are engaged with during Advent and Christmas 2021. 17 TY students have packed Christmas Hampers for St Vincent DePaul National Office over a three-week period and supported the distribution of some of these to many individuals and families across the city. 9 other TY students are supporting the work of the Marie Keating Foundation in the Ilac and Dundrum Shopping centres. Not to mention the students involved in the SVP who continue their dedicated mission of visiting homeless people on the streets during their weekly soup run.



If you have any queries or comments about any of the above activities and campaigns, feel free to mail Mr Pdraig Swan, Director of Faith and Service Programmes at pswan@belvederecollege.ie

