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Dear Parents and Carers,

Last year, Mercia raised money for the Little Bears of Sheffield Sculpture Trail that will take place in the summer of 2021 around Sheffield city centre. The school raised £792 and will receive a bear sculpture this academic year which will be decorated by the pupils, under the stewardship of Miss Roberts.

From 2 December, the school will be holding a raffle for each year group in a bid to raise even more money for the Sheffield Children's Hospital. A wide range of charity events will take place throughout the year, with this raffle being a great start.

I'm writing this letter to ask if you could help us in our efforts to fundraise. We are in need of raffle prizes for the pupils. The school is purchasing some raffle prizes using our school fund and teachers are also contributing prizes. Any help you can provide would be hugely appreciated. We are looking for:

- Boxes of chocolate
- Any sweets/confectionery
- Bath & shower gift products
- Age-appropriate toys/games

As long as prizes are unopened, new and age appropriate, we are grateful to accept anything you can spare.

The money that we raise will help fund a new Cancer and Leukaemia ward which treats babies through to 19 year olds at Sheffield Children's Hospital. It is a cause I am sure we can all get behind.

Within our Covid-19 protocols, all donations will be securely stored until safe to handle. I am, as ever, grateful for your continued support and assistance.

We are very mindful that this has been a difficult year for our parents and families, but we will be grateful for any donation, big or small. Charities have also faced a tough year and we hope we can make a small contribution to support them in their vital work.

Yours faithfully

**Mr J G Fisher**  
**Deputy Headteacher**