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Report on the Winter Collection Drive: Spreading Warmth and Kindness

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

-Margaret Mead



From 17th to 21st December 2024, JKPS, in collaboration with Goonj - A Voice, An Effort, successfully organised its annual Winter Collection Drive as part of the school's Community Outreach Programme. This initiative aimed to extend warmth and support to underprivileged communities during the harsh winter months while fostering a culture of compassion and giving within the school.

The collection drive was designed to not only provide winter essentials like jackets, blankets, sweaters, and gloves but also to instill in our students a deep sense of social responsibility and empathy. Strategically placed collection bins around the school premises made it convenient for students, parents, and staff to contribute gently used or new winter garments. The overwhelming response resulted in the collection of blankets and cartons of woollen clothes, showcasing the school community's heartfelt commitment to this cause.



This initiative directly aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

SDG 1: No Poverty – Ensuring that basic needs like warm clothing are met for vulnerable communities.

SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities – Promoting equal opportunities by providing resources to those in need.

SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production –

Encouraging the reuse of garments, thereby reducing waste and supporting sustainable practices.

The drive sparked meaningful conversations among students about privilege, gratitude, and giving back to society. By participating in this initiative, students were not only able to reflect on their own blessings but were also inspired to become agents of change. Witnessing the generous contributions of their peers encouraged many to step forward, instilling a mindset of philanthropy and social awareness.

The collection drive was an educational experience, teaching students the profound impact of small, collective actions. The sight of neatly folded jackets, colorful sweaters, and warm blankets piled up in bundles was **a testament to the compassionate** spirit of our school community.

This year's collection drive brought hope and warmth to countless lives, reaffirming JKPS's commitment to nurturing values of kindness and social responsibility in its students. It also demonstrated the collective strength of a united community working towards a common goal.