

DEVOTION CAN! Food Drive for the Brookline Food Pantry May 22 - June 2, 2017! Walk to Food Pantry on June 2 Friday at 1:40 pm from Lower Devo & 2:10 pm from Upper Devo!

Attention Devotion Families:

The Brookline Food Pantry has asked "Can Devotion help us meet our rising need for food donations?" Our answer is: "Yes, Devotion Can!" From May 22 to June 2, the Devotion PTO will be collecting food items for the Brookline Food Pantry. On June 2 at 1:40 pm from Lower Devo and 2:10 pm from Upper Devo, we will walk our donations over to the Brookline Food Pantry on St. Paul Street.

How Can You Help?

1. If you are able, please send your child to school with a food donation for the Food Pantry. We spoke with the Director of the Brookline Food Pantry, and she gave us eight categories of items that the Food Pantry is in need of. We have assigned these items out by grade to ensure that we meet their needs. However, <u>any donation of any non-perishable food item is welcome</u>! We also encourage low-sugar or low-sodium items when you can find them. Please check the expiration date - the Pantry accepts cans up to 1 year past expiration.

Kindergarten: Canned Fruits

- Grade 1: Jellies and Jams
- Grade 2: Hearty, Chunky Soups
- Grade 3: Canned Beans

Grade 4: Condiments: ketchup, mustard, relish, pickles, olives and mayonnaise

Grade 5: Boxes with packets of individual servings of oatmeal

Grade 6: Personal Care & Toiletry Items: Anything you would buy for use in your bathroom!

Grades 7&8: Instant Coffee & tea bags

2. Please drop off the donation in the labeled bins or bags at school.

3. Please join us as we walk the donations over to the Food Pantry on Friday, June 2 at 1:40pm from LD and 2:10pm from UD. The pantry director will meet us there to talk briefly about the food pantry and answer children's questions. We would love to have as many people as possible, but no children under 12 will be allowed to join the walk without a parent or guardian to escort them. Thanks!

Questions? Please contact Lisa Ting (<u>lisating@gmail.com</u>), Alissa Dubois-Banitt (<u>alissadb@gmail.com</u>) or Abby Cox (<u>abbycox@yahoo.com</u>)