

# Deal Parochial Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Kindness, Trust, Friendship, Respect, Courage, Forgiveness

Our School is built on the teachings of the Bible and inspired by The Gospel Values of Faith, Hope and Love.  
Our Christian ethos is upheld by respecting humanity fostered through our community that is welcoming, inclusive and forgiving.

Together we flourish through courageous learning, friendships and generosity.  
TO BE THE BEST THAT I CAN BE – THE WAY GOD INTENDS



**Christian Aid exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty.**

Dear families

There seems to be so much disaster and destruction facing our world, I felt that we should seize the opportunity to teach our children how to show compassion, and respond to the desperate plight of our fellow brothers and sisters across the globe in Libya and Morocco.

Christian aid is a charitable organisation that responds to people in need around the world. It reports:-

On Sunday 10 September, Storm Daniel hit Libya. It's feared up to 20,000 people have died after the catastrophic Mediterranean storm burst two dams and flooded the eastern port city of Derna.

More than 5,000 people are known to have died and at least 10,000 are missing after torrents of water and debris swept away entire districts. Bodies are being recovered from the sea.

Storm Daniel has destroyed houses and utility supplies, leaving many areas without any electrical power or water. Families seeking refuge at shelters have lost everything.



Hundreds of homes are buried under mud and debris, and the fear is that many people are also buried in the mud.

People are without the basics such as access to clean water and proper sanitation facilities to prevent the risk of diseases.

The Bible tells us **1 Peter 3:8 ESV**

**Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.**

We hope that you will join staff in holding a collection that we can send to Christian Aid appeal towards supporting the people caught up in this terrible disaster.

On Friday 22 September, we are asking our pupils to wear **red** and bring some money to donate towards this appeal.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.  
Ms Justine Brown  
Head Teacher

**Lord Jesus,**

**You're close to the brokenhearted and comfort those who mourn.**

**Devastating flooding has led to losses beyond measure for the people of Libya.**

**With so many thousands affected, help us to see beyond the numbers to real communities and families whose lives have been upturned.**

**We pray that you would strengthen those who are still fighting to survive, and the rescue workers trying to save them.**

**We pray that you would console those who fear the worst as they wait for news.**

**We pray that you would be with all who are traumatised and deeply grieving.**

**Show us, Lord, how to serve you by helping our neighbours in Libya.**

**When we are daunted by the scale of the disaster, inspire us with your Spirit that we may know how to make a difference.**

**We thank you for the work of aid agencies on the ground and for all who give what they can to help save lives and support survivors.**

**Be close to the people of Libya, we pray.**

**Amen**

