## Belarusian Victims of Chernobyl



## http://www.bvoc.org/

As a way of extending our horizons, and making a difference to the wider world, for the past seven years BWS has held a Lent Appeal during the weeks leading up to Easter.

This year's appeal will support <u>Belarusian Victims of Chernobyl</u>, a South Wiltshire charity established in 2001 in order to help to fund projects, to provide humanitarian and medical aid and to support sick and vulnerable children in the Republic of Belarus, following the ongoing effects of the Chernobyl disaster in 1986. The above link takes you to the charity's website.

We would like to invite donations of clothing (adult or child), toys and puzzles, footballs and tennis balls, stationery and toiletries, all of which can be brought to the collection point in Chapel. In addition, if you would like to make a financial contribution, the details are below.

Mr Simon Vaughan will talk to the boys about BVOC in the whole school assembly next week, and they will hear more details about the work of the charity and how their donations can really make a difference to the children's lives.

In previous years our Lent Appeal has been very successful and since 2008 we have raised over £4000 for WaterAid, ClicSargent, Brainstrust, Oxfam and Farrato School in the Gambia - as well as supporting the Trussell Trust Foodbank and Clothing appeal, and Hope and Homes for Children.

**Thank you very much** for your support in the coming weeks and I look forward to letting you know the result. The appeal runs from now until **<u>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March</u>**.

**Donation options** Payment may be made in the following ways:

<u>On-line payment</u> – via <u>www.scopay.com</u> and select **'BWS Lent Appeal 2015'** If you need a link code please email <u>lbr@bws.wilts.sch.uk</u>

<u>Cash/Jars of loose change</u> – please consider donating any jars of loose change to this year's appeal. Please ensure they are clearly marked <u>Finance Office BWS Lent Appeal 2015</u> and hand them in at Reception.

Judith Bersweden, Chaplain