

## Dear Parent/Carer,

I'm writing to let you know that The Thomas Alleyne Academy has recently joined the Red Box Project, a national community organisation committed to giving young people access to free menstrual products in schools.

As a result, we now have a selection of menstrual products available for students to access during school hours. This includes a range of pads in all absorbencies, night pads (and tampons). It also contains clean underwear, should it be needed. The box is stocked from donations from our local community, who support the project and its aims.

Any student who needs to receive items from the box, whether it's one item to get them through the day or several packs to ensure they're able to attend school throughout their period, will be able to access it in the pastoral office. Students should speak to any of the pastoral team and ask for the Red Box where they will be able to take away whatever they need.

You may want to take this opportunity to talk to your children about their needs and how the box might be able to help them.

We also have a donation box for menstrual products in the main reception. Any products are a great help, but they must be wrapped.

If you have any further questions, or would like to know more about the Red Box Project, you can email *Gerry* The Red Box Coordinator for Stevenage at; <a href="mailto:theredboxprojectstevenage@gmail.com">there is also a Facebook page of the same name, Gofundme page and Twitter @RedStevenage.</a>

Many Thanks & Kind regards,

Lucy Huckett
PA to the Deputy Headteacher