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Hello Everyone,

Just when I was wondering if we would be able to send anything to The Woman's Refuge next week, "things" suddenly flooded in. First there were 2 phone calls about when to bring donated items, then things were left in our courtyard, followed by relative offering toys and then 2 of my college friends who are visiting this weekend said they had been offered things by their neighbours!! These are friends from Lewes east Sussex and Bridgnorth, so not exactly local!. The photo shows some of the things left this week. We are so grateful for these donations, especially the dinner plates and pans, which we are always short of. We are now well on the way to being able to send 3 Fresh Start Baskets to the refuge.



Our Summer Tea Party which is scheduled for Tuesday 26th July, is probably going to be re-scheduled to Thursday 28th July. If this date clashes with any local function already organised would you let me know and I will consult again about dates.

The proceeds of the tea party will be for AFIA, so if anyone has any ideas for this other than the usual raffle, please bring them to our next meeting or speak to any committee member. Margaret attended a recent branch meeting at Sprotbrough (as MU enterprises rep), they had a Cream Tea in aid of AFIA. A considerable sum was raised....I won't say how much as it might be a bit off putting if we feel we have to match it!! I know that we will do our best and whatever we raise will be welcomed by Sheffield MU.



The Jubilee Summer of Hope Campaign focuses on "Women in Leadership" and one of the things suggested for us to do is to grow a sunflower and reflect on the strong, inspirational woman who may have influenced you. The sunflower has many meanings across the world, different cultures believe it means anything from positivity and strength to admiration and loyalty. Of course this is even more relevant this year as the sunflower is the National Flower of Ukraine.

A reminder: 1st June the Picnic in The Minster Grounds, more details next week.

Hot Press: wonderful news this morningDoncaster has been awarded City Status as part of the Jubilee celebrations!!

Margaret has not been at all well after her 4th Covid vaccination, we hope you will soon be feeling better.

Finally the prayer for today from the Mothers' Union Prayer Dairy

Heavenly Father,
we rejoice to be your family,
united in sharing life together.
Transformed by your Spirit
we praise your holy name.

As we share your goodness together,
turn our gaze to those around us.
Transformed by your Spirit
may we draw them into your love.

Love to everyone from Helen on behalf of the committee

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