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P.S. 133 Lights Up Your Mind!
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Dear Parents and Members of the P.S. 133 Community:

We were all deeply saddened to learn of the devastating earthquake in Haiti last week. Our thoughts are with the people of Haiti and with their families during this time of tragedy. In this time of crisis, school communities throughout the country are encouraged to join together to assist the millions of people in need. We would like to do our part to support the children and the families affected by the earthquake.

Mayor Bloomberg and Chancellor Klein have outlined procedures and guidelines for schools that wish to organize relief efforts. It is recommended that schools make donations directly to the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City. This fund will then distribute the money directly to reputable relief organizations such as the Red Cross.

Contributions can be made at P.S. 133 beginning tomorrow, Wednesday January 20th and continuing through Wednesday, January 28th and will be collected in the following manner:

- All donations must be made in cash—no checks or money orders can be accepted.
- Each student, parent or staff member wishing to participate should stop by the front desk on the main floor or go to the main office to deposit their donations in marked containers.
- Students will have an opportunity to bring their donations when they enter the building in the morning before the start of the school day.
- At the request of the Department of Education, teachers will not be collecting money directly from students in the classrooms.

Please keep in mind that donations are completely voluntary and each family should decide if they would like to make a contribution and, if so, the amount of the contribution. There is no suggested donation and there will be no records kept regarding these donations. The school will deposit all money received and then write a check to the Mayor's Fund.

Parents and staff members may also choose to make donations directly to the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City, to the Red Cross or to any other charitable organization. More information regarding direct donations is available on the Department of Education website.

Thank you for supporting families during this difficult time and for showing how our community can unite to help those in need.

Sincerely,

Shelley Steppel
Principal