

10th Guisborough Brownies have taken local charities to heart with a mission to help those in need. They spent Monday evening shopping for essentials to help the people using their local food bank, Food Stop Guisborough. Stocking up on a trolley full of goods including toiletries, nappies and food, was just one part of charity work the girls will carry out this term, supported by their Brown Owl Cath Williamson, Snowy Owl Jenna Paisley and Tawny Owl Paula Taylor.

For their hard work, the girls will earn their Charities badge, their first from Girlguiding's new programme which was launched in July.

Each of the Brownies donated £1, while Guisborough Morrisons - where the girls did their shopping - also donated a voucher. Girls from the Rainbows unit, also donated tinned goods to contribute to the collection, putting them well on their way to gaining their helper badges. Brown Owl Cath Williamson said: "The girls were amazing! They did their shop within a budget from a list given to them by the Methodist Church. The girls stocked up on pasta and sauce, tinned meats and stews, cereal and nappies, wipes, toothpaste soap and shampoo. We then set off with our trolleys down the street to the Methodist to deliver it, where there was juice and biscuits waiting for the girls."

The Brownies will also carry out a fundraising bag pack at Morrisons. Money raised from this will be split between the girls' five chosen charities - Maxi's Mates, Age UK, Kirkleatham Hall school, The Link - Redcar, and Food Stop Guisborough.

The youngsters have also so far filmed their own adverts for their charities and designed flyers to promote them.