



14 March 2022

Dear Parent / Carer

DAY FOR UKRAINE AND RED NOSE DAY

On **Wednesday 16 March**, schools around the country are being asked to have a '**Day for Ukraine**', where we visibly show our solidarity for those caught up in the dreadful situation in Ukraine. If students would like to take part in this, we are suggesting that they wear both blue and yellow (not one or the other) on this day or decorate their uniform or school bag with something in the colours of the Ukrainian flag (lapel badge, for example, or a flag attached to their bag). To this end, we are offering students blue and yellow ribbons if they wish to attach this to their blazers or bags, in case they do not have resources to make something at this short notice. I am sure students (and parents) will come up with all manner of other much more creative ideas. It must be noted though that this is not a MUFTI day and full school uniform is expected to be worn, unless there is a clear blue/yellow theme in support of Ukraine. Face paint and hair dye are not permitted.

We will not be collecting money on this day. If you wish to support, we have two ways in which you can do so that I outlined in my previous letter. May I take this opportunity to thank you for your generosity. Since putting out the letter last Wednesday, we have been inundated with supplies to pass to the charity working in Ukraine and the money raised through the crowd funding page has increased significantly. Thank you so very much. I know it is greatly appreciated. The last day for donations to be made is Thursday 17 March.

On **Friday 18 March**, it is **Red Nose Day**. This is a non-school uniform (MUFTI) day and students may come into school in their own clothes. I respectfully ask that students wear appropriate clothing to school on this day, so their learning is unaffected. Anything that is not appropriate for school will be challenged and students may be asked to go home and change or for parents to bring in alternative clothing.

It feels very difficult at this time to ask for more donations, especially given the generosity already shown by the community in these last few days towards Ukraine. Therefore, if you (or your child) would like to make a voluntary donation of a pound to wear MUFTI on the day, please use the parent pay link [here](#). Alternatively, staff will be on the gate with buckets for anyone who brings in cash.

Many thanks, as always, for your support.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'J Veal'.

Mrs J Veal
Executive Head teacher

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