

Monday 7th March 2022

Fundraising events at Plympton Academy

Dear Student and Parent / Guardian,

Over the next two weeks we will be running two fundraising events at Plympton Academy.

Friday 11th March: DEC Ukraine Appeal

As a result of both student and staff requests, on Friday 11th March we will be holding a non-uniform day to raise money for the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) which supports the work of the Red Cross and other charities such as Save the Children, who are working with refugees from the current conflict in Ukraine, as well as trying to supply food, medicine and other supplies to hospitals within the country. Students can wear non-uniform in return for a £1 donation which will be collected during the tutor time reading session. Also on this day, the Year 7 and 8 team will be holding a cake sale in the LRC and the Art department will be working on creating a reflective display.

Friday 18th March: Comic Relief

On Friday 18th March we will be supporting the work of Comic Relief. Again, students can wear non-uniform in return for a £1 donation which should be made via parent-pay using this link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=6767>. There will be an opportunity for students to pay in tutor time, but we would prefer donations to be made via parent pay as they have partnered with Comic Relief to make donating as easy as possible. The Year 9 and 10 teams will be running a cake sale and other activities at break time and the popular 'gunge a teacher' will return, with students being able to vote to see who they would like gunged using ClassCharts.

For both non-uniform days, this is an optional fundraising activity for students. If students do decide to wear non-uniform, then they should make sure that:

- If they have PE, BTEC Sport or Dance, then suitable clothing is worn, for example, no jeans.
- Crop tops and other revealing items of clothing are not worn.
- Jewellery is removed for any practical lessons (including Dance; Food Technology; PE / BTEC Sport and Science if a practical is being carried out). This is due to Health and Safety reasons.
- They have the correct equipment for the day including pencil cases and conduct cards. This is especially important for those who have a mock exam on either day.

I thank you for your support in our fundraising for these two important charities, and if you have any questions about the fundraising events, please contact the Head of Year in the first instance.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Ian Hartley
Assistant Principal