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Dear Parent/Carer,

Show Racism the Red Card is the UK's largest anti-racism educational charity which is based here in the North-East. Each year the charity holds a Wear Red Day to promote its anti-racism message and this year our school is proud to be working directly with the charity to hold our own Wear Red Day on Thursday 21st October.

As a school we will be promoting and celebrating our core value of respect by sharing and celebrating our anti-racist stance: our school is committed to respecting everyone we meet and ensuring everyone is welcomed into our community. We have a range of activities planned for Wear Red Day which will create a fun and memorable end to this half-term to support our students in living out our anti-racist values. We are asking all students and staff to make a suggested donation of £1 to support the work of this fantastic charity. Donations can be brought in as cash on the day or made via your ParentPay account (when you log on you will see payment option).

Students are to wear school uniform but can 'wear red' by:

- Wearing a red top
- Wearing red accessories: socks, tights, hair accessories etc
- Have red make-up or nail varnish or glitter or face paint

NB

-No red hair dye.

-For Health and Safety reasons students are not allowed to wear a hat and our policy regards no jewellery remains in place.

We are going to be holding a range of activities throughout the day including:

- Special assemblies and a fun and fitness session delivered by Show Racism the Red Card Team.
- Lessons will have a special focus on anti-racism.
- Our students will be fundraising for the charity with bake sales, tuck shop, nail and beauty bar.
- Our students can take part in various lunchtime competitions led by our PE team.
- Our Improtech students will be putting on football skills demonstrations for their peers.
- Themed treat from our catering team for all students at the end of the school day.
- Live music celebrating black artists performed by students.
- Special sporting guests are also coming to school.

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Our Wear Red Day promises to be a wonderful and exciting day for students and staff alike and we will be sharing photographs throughout the day on our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts so families can share in the day. If you would like to know more about this fantastic charity and the work they carry out please visit: <https://www.theredcard.org/ourstory>

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any specific questions regarding the day please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of House.

Kind regards,

Mrs C. Hammill
Deputy Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

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