



1st March 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

RE: Non-Uniform Day - Blue and Yellow Theme

Further to my letter dated 28th of February, I write to inform you that following discussions with students and staff, a non-uniform day has been arranged for Friday 4th of March. The theme of the non-uniform day will be Blue and Yellow in support and solidarity of the people of Ukraine. I appreciate that due to the short notice, young people and staff may not be able to find something blue or yellow to wear. In that case - non uniform is absolutely acceptable, but **we are asking for key donations to be made.**

I have just recently returned from a visit to the Polish Social Club in Portswood who are collecting essentials which are being delivered to the Polish-Ukrainian border at regular intervals. They have highlighted a need for the following:

- Thermal clothing - NO OTHER CLOTHING PLEASE.
- Hats and Gloves
- Warm Blankets
- First Aid Boxes or other medical equipment such as bandages, first aid plasters
- Sleeping Bags
- Warm Blankets
- Adult Ibuprofen/Paracetamol - long life
- Tooth-brushes and toothpaste
- Sanitary products
- Toilet paper
- Deodorant
- Mixed cosmetics
- Handsanitizers
- Dog/Cat Food - sachets preferable
- Sweets/chocolates/nuts - snacks - long lasting
- Tinned Foods
- Long lasting juice cartons
- Dried packets of food - instant soups etc...
- Baby food and baby formula
- Sudocrem, nappy creams
- Baby medicines - Calpol etc ...

Please could you ensure your child brings in one or more of the above items or makes a £1 donation.

As I stood in the Polish Club for around 10 minutes, at least 10 people arrived, independently to make a donation. It reminded me of the camaraderie and togetherness we showed as a Country through the height of the pandemic and I know our Cantell community will demonstrate this once again to help the people of Ukraine.

So in summary: Friday 4th of March will be a non-uniform day. It would be great if your child could wear blue or yellow (or a combination of the two!). If not then non-uniform is fine. Students should bring with them a donation of one or more of the essential items above or £1.

I apologise for the short notice in making these arrangements but know you will understand the need to move quickly to support the people of Ukraine.

Yours Sincerely,



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