Academy

THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you are well and that your child has settled into the new school year. I must say that I have been very impressed by the way each and every child has settled into our school especially our new Year 7's and the students that are new to our sixth form. It has been a pleasure to see our school community grow and flourish.

As a school community we work hard to make sure every child feels valued and part of the school. However, we also understand that we are part of a wider community, and we want to support others that might be less fortunate than ourselves.

The school community have therefore decided that we will support three charities this year;

- Padley Food Bank
- Show Racism the Red Card
- Young Minds

As part of our charity work, we will be undertaking the following activities.

- Celebrating Show Racism the Red Card on the 17 October
- World Mental Health Day on the 10 October
- Padley Food Bank Collection in November and December

On the 10 October to celebrate World Mental Health Day pupils can wear a hoodie or jumper in place of their blazer but must contribute at least a £1 to the charity. This should be in the form of cash on the day. There will also be a range of activities on the 10 October so if pupils could bring additional money this would help raise additional funds for a very important charity.

On the 17 October to celebrate show Racism the Red Card, pupils can once again purchase a red badge. You can do this either through ParentPay where we ask for a donation or bring money into school from the 3 October to buy a badge. We will also be having a football tournament for Years 7-9 and selling cakes.

Regarding the Padley Foodbank Mrs Bamber will be in touch at a later date to let you know the items that the charity would benefit from.

I would just like to say that the pupils have chosen these charities, and they will be the ones that are leading the fundraising. Please help and support in any way you can as we really appreciate your dedication and commitment.

Yours sincerely

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Clarissa Ourabi Senior Deputy Head