

November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Children in Need Friday 17th November - Sock it to Inequality!

I am extremely proud of the charity fundraising of the academy over the last few months. In July we held a charity week, culminating in a colour run, staff football match and fun on inflatables. Despite the torrential rain hundreds of you turned up, helping to raise £1028.89 for the Teenage Cancer Trust. More recently we held a successful Macmillan Coffee Morning raising £353 and then collected 118 kg of food for the Chesterfield Foodbank. Currently there are a dozen staff members growing some less than flattering moustaches in support of men's health for Movember.

Normally students would be expected to arrive at the academy in black socks as part of their school uniform. On Friday 17th November it is Children in Need and we will be supporting this by giving students the opportunity to come to school in socks of their choice. The brighter, more colourful and funkier the better! For those wearing tights, socks may be worn over tights, colourful (appropriate) tights or a colourful hair bobble or scrunchie.

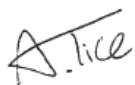
While we are suggesting a £1 donation for all those taking part, I appreciate that many families may not be in a position to donate. We would still encourage those students to join in. While there will be collection buckets on entry for those wanting/able to donate, students will not be asked to contribute and it will not be highlighted if they don't.

In addition to this sock based fun, there will be cupcakes for sale (£1) and a sports based challenge using the PE department's new Ski-Erg machine, during lunch time.

I started this letter by saying how proud I am of our fundraising activities. None of this could be possible without the help of our students, you as parents and the local community, so I would like to say a huge thank you and well done to you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,



Mr A Tice
Vice Principal