

Newsletter 15th March

Comic Relief

You may be aware that it is comic relief on Friday the 18th of March. The theme of this year is 'You'. We would like to suggest that children can come to school wearing anything that shows who they are. For example, children could wear their favourite outfit or something they wear for a hobby. We are going to say anything goes on Friday, make up, hair dye the works! The only thing we ask is that the outfit is appropriate to wear in school and safe (Safe footwear and no dangly earrings!!)

If you would like to make a donation, please donate directly to comic relief.

Ukraine

Lots of parents have been asking if we are raising money or collecting items to help the relief effort for Ukraine and for Ukrainian refugees. We have thought long and hard about this. Some of our children have been deeply affected and worried about the images they are seeing or hearing about and some of our children are very young and may be unaware of what is happening.

Our Year 6 children would like to be proactive and organise a whole school effort to support the Ukraine and there is some research to show that being practical and making a difference will help young people to cope with the news they are hearing as they have some control. I am keen to know your views and thoughts.

Let us know on the gate or via the askus@gelliprimary.org.uk e-mail address if you have any views or comments about this. It may be that we only involve the older children in the school or that we go for it as a whole community. We will gather your views and if we all agree we will come up with a plan with the children leading the ideas.

Fundraising and money

I am really conscious every time I go past the fuel prices sign and into the supermarket about the cost of living and how quickly it is escalating. I know Year 6 in particular have two trips to fund and we are asking for trip money for the older children and we are now looking at the possibility of fundraising. Again, if you think we are just asking too much at the wrong time, we would love to hear your views.

Parents Evening

We will be holding parents evenings in the week beginning the 28th of March. We have made the decision to hold the meetings by phone. We know some parents prefer face to face meetings but we just feel it is the right thing to keep them by phone at this moment. As always, we will invite you to make an appointment and you will receive a text message. If you need to update your mobile numbers please let us know.

The Garden

You may be aware that Keep Wales Tidy have built us an edible garden. It is now finished but we have been left with some work to do before we can let the children start planting. If anyone loves gardening and clearing and would like to help please let us know.

As always, if you have any questions or queries about anything, please just get in touch.

Many Thanks

Mrs FD