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Dear Parents/Carers and Students

WGS Newsletter (08) Non-Uniform Days 2021/22

Supporting charity work is a feature of Wood Green School. We are proud that so many students participate in fundraising both in and out of school. In school each year we choose charities to support and our 'Interact' group, supported by Witney Rotary, take the lead on our main fundraising work. Interact have been meeting on-line, but by January we hope that they will be live in school and will definitely be looking for new recruits.

One of our key fundraisers is our non-uniform day programme. We usually hold three days each year, where students donate £1 to charity for wearing non-uniform. The first non-uniform day this year will be **Monday 18th October**.

The first charity we are supporting this year is 'Make A Wish'. This is a national charity that grants wishes to children who are very ill, to provide a positive experience for them and their families. It is a charity close to our hearts as a school as some of our students have been supported by Make a Wish in recent years. We were delighted in 2020 that one of those students, Jasmine Taylor (year 13) was appointed as a Trustee of Make a Wish. Jasmine writes:

This non-school uniform day will be going towards a charity which is very close to me as I was once a wish child who felt the joy a wish brings into a very difficult time in your life. I became part of an advisory board at "Make A Wish" last year and feel privileged to have been able to impact so many children all around the country. The pandemic has put a huge strain on the charity and left thousands of children waiting for their wishes to come true. Fundraising will contribute to all the children waiting and give them a well-deserved life changing experience.

To donate £1, please use ParentPay, where we have set up a non-uniform item. This really helps with managing the fundraising. We will be talking to students about the charity, and encouraging them to pay parents and carers for the donation!

The other two non-uniform days are currently scheduled for:

- Friday 1st April
- Friday 24th June

The Interact group will lead students in choosing which charities these are for in the new year.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher