

Our Ref: SWA/MLA

12th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Wear Red for Racism Day – Friday, 20th October 2023

During the coming year, we are undertaking a number of initiatives in our drive to eradicate any form of discriminatory behaviour and language amongst students. In last year's student survey, a small percentage of students indicated that they felt that this was a problem and something they wanted to address.

As part of this, we are going to be working towards the RACE Charter Mark run by Figtree International. Students, staff and parents will be asked to contribute to a number of strategies during the next year to stand up for "**Race and Conscious Equality**". I have recently explained this to students in assemblies, covering the issues associated and the damage and hurt discrimination can cause.

On Friday, 20th October 2023, we are asking students and staff to take part in '**Wear Red for Racism Day 2023**'. This is a charity event which raises money to help raise awareness of the issue of racism and encourages people to stand up against any form of racism.

To recognise this event, students will be asked to contribute 50p to come into school wearing a red top or T-shirt under their blazer. We are arranging for T-shirts to be available for students to 'buy' in the Epraise shop with their STEPs if they do not have a suitable red top.

This is not a non-uniform day, so students should still come into school in school uniform trousers/skirts/blazers and shoes but if they choose to wear a red top, they will not be required to wear a tie. Students should still bring PE kit if they have PE on that day.

We hope that your child will want to take part in this event and visibly stand up against racism within our community.

Yours sincerely



Mr S J Ward
Deputy Headteacher