

# Harris Church of England Academy

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## RE: Harris Lenten Charity Week

Dear parent/guardian,

I am writing to you regarding our upcoming Lenten charity week. Every year Canterbury, Durham, Winchester, and York houses put on fundraising events to raise money for their nominated charity. For this year all fundraising activities will take place over a week from Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April. All money raised will then be split equally between the four charities which are: MIND, Motor Neurone Disease Association, Teenage Cancer Trust, and Zoe's Place Baby Hospice.



We are kicking off our charity week with a Key Stage 3 sponsored walk. This will take place in the afternoon on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Pupils in Years 7, 8, and 9 can pay £1 to take part and see how many laps they can walk around the school field during period 5 and period 6. If pupils wish, they can also collect a form to raise additional money by getting friends, family, neighbours, etc. to sponsor them for the number of laps they complete. The walk is optional; if pupils do not wish to take part, then they do not have to pay £1 and instead will attend their lessons as normal. If pupils do wish to participate then they must pay £1 to their tutor by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

Then, in the following week, there will be a range of activities and events taking place such as: guess the sweets in a jar, a chocolate raffle, hot dog sales, cake sales, hot chocolate sales, lucky dips, guess the name of the teddy bear, a darts competition, and a FIFA tournament. Each Year 7 pupil will also be giving a raisin box to try and fill with small change (1p, 2p, 5p, 10p).

Members of staff are also taking part in fundraising activities. Miss Finnemore will be hiking 280km along the Camino Way in Portugal, Mr Smith will be running 2 park runs (10km) in South Africa, Ms Fenson will be running the Coventry half-marathon and Mrs Hummel is taking part in a strong woman competition. If you would like to make a donation for these extraordinary feats, please click the link or scan the QR code below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/harriscofe-academy>



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We are asking for pupils to help raise as much money as possible for these worthy causes. This can be done in a number of ways; volunteering to help run fundraising activities, bringing in shop-bought cakes, sweets, and chocolate to be sold, and most importantly, bringing in spare change if they wish to participate in any events.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jenkinson  
Head of Canterbury

Ms Rust  
Head of Durham

Ms Fenson  
Head of Winchester

Mr Thompson  
Head of York



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