






1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

I am writing to inform you of two charity house events that will be taking place this half term. At Roding Valley we love to do our bit to give back to the community for a great cause, while creating a sense of competition, teamwork and fun.

**On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** the whole school will be taking part in the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. Christmas Jumper Day is Save the Children's annual event which raises money for the children who need it most. Every December, millions of people across the United Kingdom (and beyond!) put on a festive knit and make a donation to help give children the magical future they deserve. We are therefore allowing students to **wear their own Christmas jumper for a suggested cash donation of £1**. Students must wear their **school uniform as usual**, with the added item of a Christmas jumper.

In addition to this, **on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December school will close early, 12:20pm (more details will be included in the Headteacher's Bulletin), and we will allow all students to wear their own clothes for a suggested cash donation of £1**. The money raised will go to our house charities as usual:

Rendell	Pankhurst	Murray	Churchill	Hawking
Little Lives Uk	British Heart Foundation	St Clare Hospice	Unicef	Mind
				

**Donations should be made in person via our coin collection buckets. Please ensure students come to school in the morning with the correct cash they wish to donate.**

Charity days at Roding Valley High School are always fun days, with students entering into the spirit of giving and good will. There is always a sense of community at Roding Valley and never more so than when we show support for good causes. Students should still however be fully equipped and have the necessary books and other equipment they need for their lessons. Students should ensure that if they have PE on Friday, they bring the correct uniform that they are required to take part in their PE lessons in. We will not allow students to wear clothes, hats or masks that cover their faces, unless this is in keeping with their normal cultural dress code. We will not allow students to wear clothes that reveal large amounts of their bodies, particularly chest and shoulder areas. Skirts and shorts should be worn to an appropriate length. We would also expect students to make sound footwear choices - high heels or flimsy shoes in a school environment may be dangerous.

If a student dresses inappropriately, they may well be sent home to change or you may be called to collect them. We hope to share the amount we raise for the charity on the day in our parent bulletin. Thank you for your support with this charity event.

Yours faithfully

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Mr C Ifrim  
Whole school House  
system Coordinator

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Ms P Larkin  
Deputy Headteacher