

1<sup>st</sup> March 2017

Dear Parent/carer,

### **Red Nose Day - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

This year Codsall Middle School is raising money for Red Nose Day 2017.

#### **What is Red Nose Day?**

- Red Nose Day is a fundraising event run by Comic Relief that takes place every two years
- Comic Relief is a UK charity, which aims to create a just world, free from poverty
- Last Red Nose Day the UK public raised an astonishing £99.4 million to help people living incredibly tough lives both here in the UK and Africa.

#### **We're taking part in Red Nose Day 2017 because:**

- Pupils learn valuable life skills
- Pupils gain understanding and empathy for others in the world
- It brings the whole school community together
- Our school can really make a difference to people's lives

We are, therefore, inviting your child to attend school dressed in something red in support of Comic Relief and donate a minimum of £1 for this privilege. We are happy for children, on this day, to wear red noses and other Comic relief merchandise, however pupils will not be allowed to dye/spray colour their hair. We will have merchandise on sale in school from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March, including red noses, wrist bands, pin badges and pens. There will also be a range of other activities and tasks happening to raise additional money, these will be promoted by each of the Houses during the run up to the event.

The money we raise will help people living really tough lives in the UK and across Africa. For example, £2.50 could buy a mosquito net to protect a family in Africa, £3 could pay for a counselling session for a child who has lost of their parents to Ebola in Sierra Leone. In the UK, £5 could pay for an isolated elderly person with dementia to have dinner at their local support group. In the UK, £10 could help a young person caught up in gang culture to turn their life around with professional mentoring. On their behalf, thank you.

We will also be using Red Nose Day as a learning opportunity to help our pupils explore the issues facing young children across the world, and how the money we raise can help.

We really appreciate your support and hope that you'll have fun helping Codsall Middle School raise lots of money for Red Nose Day.

Yours sincerely,

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