

25 July 2022

Dear parent/carer

Re: Non-uniform day and charity donations

Our final charity event this academic year will be a non-uniform day on Wednesday 27 July 2022. A £1 donation will be required, and all proceeds will go to The Dukeries Riding for the Disabled (RDA). RDA is a national charity that provides disabled children and young adults the opportunity to ride and work with horses. We are very lucky to have a small RDA horse yard at The Dukeries Academy, which provides volunteer work opportunities for our students and forms part of our SSF curriculum. Students can volunteer from age 13 and can study for their green card as a leader or side-walker as they progress. The Dukeries RDA is the only yard not part of an established stable in the UK. It is staffed and managed by a group of dedicated volunteers and one qualified trainer.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support with all our charity events this year. We have already raised £1736 and will hopefully exceed £2000 on Wednesday. With your support we have also given generously to provide items for the Ollerton CAR food bank and the Ukrainian Appeal.

The TDA community have supported the following national and local charities this year:

- Young Minds – Hello Yellow Day in October, supporting young people’s mental health
- Ollerton CAR – The Ollerton Community Action Response team, foodbank - October, Christmas, February and June
- The Ukraine Appeal – November, March
- Christmas Jumper Day – December for Save The Children
- Diversity Week – June for Just like Us – supporting LGBTQ+
- Macmillan – July
- RDA – July

Thank you!

A reminder that the term will end at 3.35pm on Wednesday 27 July 2022.

Kind regards



Mr Ged Rae
Principal