

WESTGARTH WEEKLY



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Dear Families,

Red Nose Day

It is Red Nose Day next Friday 18th March. As we have asked, and been grateful, for lots of family support recently with Times Tables Rock Stars, World Book Day and our Day for Ukraine, we are keeping Red Nose Day fairly low key. Children are welcome to wear a red nose or something red, or just their regular uniform, but we will leave families to decide if they would like to make a donation to Comic Relief through the following web page:

<https://donation.comicrelief.com/cart/1YsYOwm2pHZqBUhWr8ZL13>

"Once a Week, Take a Peek"

As often happens in primary schools, we know that there are occasional outbreaks of headlice, particularly amongst younger children as they mix when working and playing.

As a school, we follow Primary Care Trust advice about notifying parents regarding such outbreaks. The most effective approach, according to the medical profession, is to encourage all parents and carers to check children's hair regularly, using combing. We would encourage all parents to take the approach - "once a week, take a peek" - and to inform family and close friends directly should head lice be found. As a school, if we do notice headlice, we will always alert the parents and carers of the affected child directly. We also advise that children with long hair have it tied up for school.

Eco Council Update

Our Eco Council has decided to support 'The Crisp Packet Project'. This is an organisation that recycles used crisp packets to provide items for people in need. From Monday, there will be a designated bin in the lunch hall where children can place any empty packets after they have eaten their packed lunch.

A Fond Farewell

Our very best wishes for the future to Miss Turner, KS2 teaching assistant, who leaves Westgarth today to begin a new role with the University of Teesside. Many thanks to Miss Turner for her support of school and our children (and for the farewell staffroom goodies!) Good luck in a brand new chapter of your life, but don't hesitate to call in for a cuppa and a chat.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Woodhead
Headteacher