



WHYTRIG MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent and Carers,

Celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III at Whytrig Middle School

We are having a day of celebration to mark the King's Coronation on **Friday 5th May, 2023**. The day will be a 'red, white and blue' non-uniform day, and children should attend school in their own clothes with top half colours predominantly of either red, white or blue; we will capture the date and mark the occasion by taking a photo of the population of our school in the colours of the Union flag.

The Catering Manager has organised a very special lunch for that day, which will have a 'street party' theme in the same way that we did for the Jubilee last year. There will be no hot food service or other alternatives available on that day. Any child not wanting to have the Coronation menu on that day should bring a packed lunch. If your child would like to have this lunch, the price will be the normal price of £2.10. (Please ensure that pupils' lunch accounts are topped up). Pupils entitled to Free School Meals will automatically choose from this menu.

In the afternoon, the children will take part in some pre Coronation activities in their form classes, before we have an informal street party on our yard (weather permitting) and decorate the school ready for the Coronation day. We will be asking the children to bring in their own party snacks for this and will provide further details on how we will do this when we return to school next week after the Bank Holiday weekend. We are also planning to create individual keepsakes on the afternoon too to mark the event.

Finally, a Coronation Tea event is taking place at Astley High School from 3.30pm until approximately 5.00pm on Friday 5th May, to which pupils, parents and carers are invited. Tickets are £3.50 each (£1.50 for under 10's) which includes an afternoon tea and a hot or cold drink. There will be a craft stall with items made by both middle and high school students, live music from students, a colouring table for younger children and a raffle with some great prizes which include a family pass to Northumberland Zoo, 1 month membership of Seaton Valley Muay Thai, Beauty vouchers and lots of wine, chocolates and other items. It will be a cash only event and all money raised will be donated to the local food bank.



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The Coronation is another momentous occasion and we hope that the activities we have planned throughout the day will allow us to appropriately mark this event as a school community.

Yours sincerely,



Mr J Souter
Head of School



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