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Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you so much for all your support last week. The Dance Shows that took place on Monday and Tuesday evening celebrated our fantastic children's hard-work. It is so important that all our children in the school have access to the Arts where they have an opportunity to perform, develop their confidence and most importantly work together in a team. A massive thank you to our dance teachers Miss Morrison and Miss Fletcher for their commitment and encouraging our children to be the best they can be.

On Friday evening the 'Sleep Out 2023' took place to fundraise for Centrepont. The children in Year 5 and 6 have taken this very seriously, they were absolutely fantastic. We are overwhelmed with how much sponsorship money the children are beginning to bring in. Again thank you to all our families for all your kindness and for your very punctual pick up at 7am on Saturday.

We also would like to thank all the staff who supported both events. It was a very busy week (and for some a sleepless night) but well worth it. We are so proud of our children and staff.

### Behaviour

Unfortunately, there has been one or two incidents where some of our staff have been spoken to in an unsavoury manner. As highlighted above, our staff are committed and dedicated to supporting your child/ren. We will not tolerate any of this behaviour and no other work place would either. At St Hugh's we encourage our children to be kind.

### Dogs

We are not allowing any dogs regardless of size or nature on the school premises – this includes the car park. We have a number of children who are frightened and we will not take any risks involving their safety. Please leave your dog at home when collecting your child/ren. Thank you for your support.

### Reminders

*Year 2 Class Liturgy – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February (CANCELLED) – we will rearrange another date and inform you as soon as possible.*

*Own Clothes Day – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February*

We are raising money for a local charity called Little Warriors Wardrobe. Further information about this can be found below. Please can you bring in a £1 in exchange for wearing own clothes.

Yours sincerely

Mr Smith and Mrs Atherton

Little Warriors Wardrobe – information for you to read about the charity we are fundraising for.

My name is Chrissie Roberts and I am the chair of a local non profit organisation named Little Warriors' Wardrobe.

In February 2021, my son Joshua, became unwell and was sadly diagnosed with a disease called TCell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia. This is a blood cancer affecting the t - white blood cells.

Due to the aggressiveness of childhood leukaemia, Joshua's treatment began straight away. The most intensive stages were for the first 6-8 months but his total treatment time will be three and half years long so is due to finish in July 2024.

During Joshua's first stages of treatment, we spent a lot of time in hospital. It was there I noticed that he, and other children, ran out of clean clothes quickly due to side effects of their medications. It was almost impossible to do laundry at the hospital due to the facilities being difficult to use and so many families bought new clothes instead. I also noticed that a lot of children, including Joshua who lost 25% of his body weight in just 6 weeks, had major weight fluctuations which meant they needed new clothes to fit their new body shapes.

It was at this point the idea of LWW was born. I wanted to lessen the burden on other families like ours in some way. In the first year we have donated over 100 clothing packs to the Royal Manchester Children's Oncology Day Case Unit and Oncology Ward. We have recently had the privilege to be able to donate clothing packs to the Proton Beam Centre at the Christie's and they have had over 40 packs so far.

We are a donation based organisation so wouldn't be able to make the difference we make without others. This is why I'm asking if your school would be willing to become one of our supporters by having a fundraising event for LWW. This can range from something as simple as an own clothes day for your students and asking for a small donation from each to bake sales or preloved item sales. I am happy to support your event as much as possible as well to lessen any additional workload this could cause on school staff.