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Dear Parents/Carers

Surfleet's Got Talent!

As you know, one aspect of our School Motto is to 'Be Kind' and one of our key school rules is to say 3 kind things every day. We believe that this will help all members of our school community to become kind, caring and tolerant members of society. Now, more than ever, it is important for us to remind the children that we can all contribute to society as a whole and that supporting one another is better than conflict.

This week there are two important national events taking place: the support for Ukraine day (March 16th) and Red Nose Day (March 18th). We would very much like our school community to support these worthy events so we have decided to combine the two with a non-uniform day on **Friday March 18th**. This will give the children the chance to show their support for others less fortunate than themselves by either wearing something red/Red Nose Day themed, or wearing something blue and/or yellow to show support for Ukrainians. We would ask that all families make a **minimum** contribution of £1 and the total raised will be split equally between the two charities. As ever, children can wear uniform if that is their wish and everyone will be treated equally regardless of whether they contribute or not.

To add a little excitement to Friday and to create memories for the long term, we have decided to incorporate a talent show into the day's plan. Whilst it is important that the children have an age appropriate understanding of the reasons why we are raising money, we believe it will have more of an impact on them if the day itself is also memorable for positive reasons. With this in mind, children will have the chance to showcase their talents, either individually or in groups, to their classes on Thursday. We will provide an opportunity for them to practise at break times, but no lesson time will be given for this. From these auditions, each class will choose their favourite acts which will then progress to Friday's final. I must stress that the children do not need to spend hours and hours preparing (although they can if they wish!); it is more to do with taking part and getting involved. We don't want this fun event to create stress, exactly the opposite. All children who enter and perform at the class audition stage will receive a Surf for working hard and aiming to achieve.



If you have any questions about the types of acts that children can do or the equipment they can bring, please contact me in the first instance. Unfortunately, we cannot allow parents in to watch the auditions or the final due to not having room for you all! However we will endeavour to provide an overview of what happened, who entered and who won in the next newsletter.

Thanks for your support with these worthy causes.

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