

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

Dear Families,

**Wear What You Like Day to support School in a Bag's Ukraine Crisis Appeal**

The 'School in a Bag' charity is a local charity who we have supported in the past. They have launched an appeal to provide SchoolBags to refugee children displaced by the Ukrainian crisis. I am pleased to let you know that we will be holding a 'Red, Blue and Yellow' Wear What You Like Day in return for donations to the charity on Friday, 11th March 2022 (red for the SchoolBag colours or blue and yellow for Ukraine).

Apologies for the short notice but I hope you will understand the urgency of this appeal.

The charity have partners they already work with, who are right at the centre of a couple of the places Ukrainian refugees are arriving. They can therefore get SchoolBags directly to them. The contents of the bags (exercise books, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, a ruler, maths set, water bottle, lunch box and hygiene kit) will be a huge asset as it will give the tools needed for an education in makeshift schools or alleviate the countries they've gone to having to provide equipment. If they can't go to a school, it means they have something to write in or draw pictures - both really important in times of crisis that children get to express themselves.

'School in a Bag' have set-up an appeal and the more money they can raise, the more SchoolBags they can fund. We are asking for children to bring in cash donations to their classes (on Friday 11<sup>th</sup>) which will be passed on to a representative of the charity the same day. If you would prefer to donate online, here's the link to the Appeal:

<https://www.schoolinabag.org/campaign/ukraine-crisis-appeal/>

A representative from the 'School in a Bag' charity is bringing a bag into school next week, to give our children a good understanding of the charity's work and how their donations will help.

Each SchoolBag and the contents costs £20.

For more information about the charity, please take a look at the website [www.schoolinabag.org](http://www.schoolinabag.org).

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Brian Walton

