Friday 3rd March 2023

Dear All,

**What’s happening?**

**This is Me** – A day to celebrate ourselves on Thursday March 9th.

On March 9th, children can dress up to celebrate their uniqueness. Traditional costume, Elsa from Frozen or a Spiderman outfit. Personally, I think I am going to come in my slippers as on this day anything goes! As long as it is still appropriate for school.

On this day we will continue our conversations with children about what is positive mental health and each class will complete a wellbeing activity.

**Raising money for school iPads.**

Last December Kevin Cotton who used to work here came to see me. He is running the London Marathon this April, and wanted to raise money for our school. We discussed how old our iPads are, how they need replacing but we lack the funds to do so.

So, this has become Kevin’s cause. On his Go Fund Me page he has written the following which I was very proud to read.

*Hi, I am Kevin and I’ll be running the 2023 London marathon on the 23rd of April. I am hoping to raise as much money as possible for Perrymount School in Forest Hill, South London. Perrymount is a mainstream school and a centre of excellence for special educational needs (SEN). As a former member of staff, I know how hard everybody at Perrymount works to deliver the best for children with and without SEN, while also teaching social skills to both sets of children that they wouldn’t get at other schools.*

Perrymount’s ICT equipment could really use updating as they are still using first generation iPads, which have of course become very slow and unable to give the best learning to the children. The iPads are used by all children to help them in their learning.

Any donation you can make would help;

* An utterly unique and very special school to deliver the best education for each and every child.
* The staff team who consistently go above and beyond to help the school and children.
* Me to give something back to a place that gave me so much and helped me to grow as a person in the seven and a half years I worked there.

The website address is

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/perrymount-primary-school?qid=3c13e0b84ad3ab80dee6f3ecf9464ee3>

I know times are hard but anything you can donate would be amazing.

**Assemblies**

Year 2 class assembly is on Friday March 10th at 10am. Ms Bates will send out further information. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Children’s progress meetings**

Please remember to return your slip. Your appointment time will be sent home next Friday (10th March).

Best wishes

Christine Keen

Headteacher