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WINTER JUMPER SWAP!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be supporting Save the Children on Thursday 8th December by holding our **Winter Jumper Day**. Pupils are invited to wear their winter themed jumper instead of their school jumper on this day (normal school uniform rules apply to the rest of their clothing).

In order to reduce the environmental impact of this event, we are supporting an initiative being run by The Final Straw Foundation and running a donation event as we did last year. This is to try to encourage the reuse of 'preloved' winter themed and Christmas jumpers.

Many of us don't realise that these are usually made from polyester and other plastic fibres, and often end up being quickly discarded. A study in 2019 showed that many young people buy a new winter themed or Christmas jumper every year. In fact, it highlighted that these jumpers have become one of the worst examples of fast fashion, now recognised as hugely damaging to the environment. Two out of five Christmas jumpers are only worn once over the festive period, and one in three adults under 35 buy a new Christmas jumper every year!

Children quickly grow out of their festive jumpers, so this year we are asking our pupils to bring in and donate winter themed and Christmas jumpers (or T-shirts) that they have outgrown, or no longer wish to wear, into school **by Thursday 1st December**.

Jumpers need to be **clean** and in a **good condition** for resale please.

The preloved jumpers can be purchased from 3.15pm and will cost £1 each:

Monday 5th December – Infant Hall

Tuesday 6th December – Junior Hall

Jumpers of all ages will be sold at both sales on a first come, first serve basis.



Donations of adult jumpers are very welcome too and will be sold for £3 each.

We hope that this event will help you save money preparing for our Winter Jumper Day on 8th December and save lots of jumpers from entering landfill, being incinerated or just being lost and unloved at the back of a wardrobe.

All money raised from the jumper sale will go towards Save the Children.

Thank you for your support.

Many thanks

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R Carlyle', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mrs R Carlyle

Headteacher