



## Weekly Update – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Firstly, thank you all for the many donations received so far for our **Ukraine** appeal. Our collection table in the main entrance remains open for any more contributions of long-lasting food and toiletries.



Many of you have asked how we can help further. Now that children are more aware of the crisis, we are planning **Penpol's Sponsored Mile**: Our pupils will be walking 414 miles to show support and raise money for the refugees of Ukraine. Each pupil will walk 1 mile on the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Collectively, this is the distance that many Ukrainian families have needed to travel in order to reach the safety of a refugee camp.

We are encouraging the children to seek sponsorship for their mile with all funds going directly to **ShelterBox**, a Truro-based charity who have a team in Poland supporting the many families who have needed to flee their homes. Any contributions are gratefully received and will make a big difference to those most in need. For more information about Shelterbox's work, please follow this link: <https://www.shelterbox.org/>

Your child will, today, bring home a sponsorship form. The form is also attached to this email. Sponsorship can be received in cash or directly via our Justgiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/penpol-school>.



In other fundraising news, **Red Nose Day** is next **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March**. With so much going on at present, we are keeping things relatively simple. Children are invited to wear their own clothes (or something funny if they would prefer), with any donations gratefully received. This year, you are welcome to donate in cash or directly at the following dedicated webpage:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=7550>.

Importantly, this link is not for the purchase of red noses. Thank you!

On the subject of fundraising, please remember to **only give what you can and when you can**. Recent years have been incredibly hard on household budgets. There is no expectation that all families contribute and all donations are handled confidentially.



On Monday, children in Years 3 to 6 will take part in an important **water safety** assembly led by a team from the RNLI. Living where we do, learning to **respect the water** is vital. If your child is absent from school on Monday and you would like some support in accessing further information, please do get in touch. We hope to run similar assemblies for our younger pupils later in the year.



Next week is British **Science Week**. We will be celebrating this at Penpol with a huge host of exciting science lessons, activities and investigations in each class.

A key theme of Science Week is **smashing stereotypes** and this is an excellent conversation to continue at home. Lots more information can be found here:

<https://www.britishsociety.org/news/our-smashing-stereotypes-campaign-returns>.



Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

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“Penpol pupils are **curious, creative and courageous** learners. Our school community believes in **authenticity** as the foundations of **deep-rooted** learning. Through our **rich and relevant** curriculum, we nurture **community-minded, forward-facing** international citizens of the future.”