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Dear parents/carers,

Re: Non Uniform Day to support the Turkey & Syria Earthquake appeal

As you may be aware, on Monday 6th February, an initial magnitude 7.8 earthquake hit southern Turkey close to the border with northern Syria. A second 7.5 magnitude earthquake struck 9 hours later with aftershocks following. Many thousands of people have lost their lives, been injured or impacted by the effects of these events.

I know, as a school community, our hearts are with those who have been impacted by this natural disaster and there are those in our own community whose lives and families have been affected by these tragic events. With that being said, **on Friday 10th February,** we are inviting children to come to school in their own clothes in exchange for a monetary donation which will be passed onto a charity to support the Turkey & Syria Earthquake appeal. A suggested donation of £1 would be desirable, however any donation would be appreciated, big or small. On Friday, donation buckets will be available at the gate.

Your donations will help support families with the food, warm blankets, winter clothes and shelter materials they will need. It will help to set up safe spaces and for people to get vital psychological support. 'Together we are mighty' and any support that can be offered would be gratefully received. The own clothes day is our way to show support for this the appeal, and our newsletter will include other ways to further support.

Above all else, we ask that as a community, we keep those impacted in our hearts and minds, and take a moment of reflection, thought or prayer.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Cook Associate Headteacher

