

29<sup>th</sup> April 2025

RE: Mr Edwards Memorial Cup-Non School Uniform Day

Dear Parent/Carer

I'm pleased to announce that the Mr Edwards Memorial Cup will take place on Thursday 8th May during period 5. For those of you who aren't aware Mr Edwards was a fantastic teacher, colleague and friend who lost his battle with mental health in January 2018. Apart from his family, Mr Edwards other love was football and particularly the "mighty Stoke City". So, with the support of his family and to honour his memory and the fantastic service he gave to our school as a Head of Year and Senior Leader over a period of 20 years, we play the 'Mr Edwards Memorial Cup'.

In essence it's the Y11 football team (Stoke City) vs the Y10 football team, red verses blue. Both teams have the honour of wearing a full replica kit with Mr Edwards nicknames on the back of the shirts. The shirts were kindly donated by Fareham Academy's PTA.

To help raise funds for MIND, a charity that has helped to support Mr Edwards family we have decided to hold a non-school uniform day for students and staff on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May. To wear non-uniform, we ask students to make a voluntary donation of £1, which will be collected during tutor time. All donations will go to MIND. There will also be buckets being circulated the week commencing the game with 3 teachers faces on, with the teacher with the most money in their bucket taking part in the 'ice bucket challenge' after the game.

It is important that students are still dressed appropriately. Tops must cover their shoulders and midriffs (no crop-tops) and must not have inappropriate logos or slogans. Please note that our regular hair and make-up policies will still be in effect on the non-uniform day. Students are encouraged to wear something **blue** if they are supporting the year 10 football team or something **red** if they are supporting the year 11 football team

If students have PE/dance on this day, they must ensure that the clothing they are wearing is suitable for the activity.

We are asking that students respect this opportunity to dress informally, but sensibly. I hope that you will be able to support us with this.

Yours faithfully

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