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Dear Parents/Carers

Cancer is something that I am sure has, in some way or another, impacted all of our lives. As a school community over the last few years, we have seen this far too often and have at times been devastated by the hurt and pain that it leaves with us. Having lost my mum to cancer a few years ago I can personally understand the all too painful hole that it can leave behind. However, during those difficult times I can truly say what an amazing job the Macmillan Nurses do, to not only help the patient but also their families. A role they carry out selflessly.

In order to raise awareness for the work the nurses do and to raise money for future research we are pleased to share that we will once again, as a school, host another Macmillan Coffee Morning (afternoon). We would like to invite you to come along and use this time to not only connect with the school on an informal and personal level but to mingle and make lifelong friends with fellow parents, whilst at the same time raising awareness and, if you are able, raise money for a very worthwhile cause.

We will be asking the staff to get involved by each baking a cake for the occasion. I will be digging out the whisk to create a family favourite, banana bread! If you too would like to bring along something delicious for us to try, we are asking that sealed all cakes and bakes, come into school on Friday 17 October and home bakes on Monday 20 October. (Please no nuts)

Our Macmillan Coffee morning will take place on Monday 20 October – please note that this is change to the previously published date of Friday 17 October and will start at 1.15pm. This year we thought it would be lovely if the children can attend with you (if you wish). In order for us to be able to manage this, we will be inviting you to attend at different times during the afternoon. If you have children in different year groups, please select one time slot. We will be asking you to complete a Google Form to confirm your attendance and your children will then be brought to you. Unfortunately, only parents who have filled in the Google Form indicating that they wish their child to attend with them will have their child brought to them as I'm sure you will understand that we simply do not have the staffing capacity to undertake this without prior notice. You are of course more than welcome to attend on your own if you want to have a relaxing coffee and cake. Please click on the following link to confirm attendance: Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

We are inviting you to come at the following times:

Year R: 1.15pm – 1.45pm
Year 1: 1.50pm – 2.20pm
Year 2: 2.25pm – 2.55pm

Depending on the availability of cakes, we will hopefully be able to remain open from 3.15pm – 4.00pm so that parents can attend with their children after they have collected them to purchase a cake if they have been unable to attend during the school day.

We will not be selling cakes, we appreciate that with rising prices everywhere times are tricky, there will be a donation QR code and a bucket for collection available on the day. If you would like to donate online please

click on this link: Make a Donation

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret **Headteacher**

