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Dear Parents and Carers,

Children In Need – Friday 13th November



As you may already be aware, Monday 9th November is the start of this year's BBC Children in Need Appeal Week. Our school is excited to be joining with many others around the UK to participate in the fundraising programme.

The theme this year is '**Challenge Yourself**' to make life lighter for children. The children will be encouraged to participate in different activities throughout the day. This will be a fun way to get the children involved as well as moving their bodies and boosting their moods by supporting and raising money for Children in Need and FoQ.

Activity	Dates	More Information
Guess the name of the bear challenge	Monday 9th November – Friday 13th November	During the lead up to Children in Need, children will have the opportunity to 'guess the name of the bear'. A 10p donation will be required for every guess. Cash please for this activity. This will be completed in the child's classroom, where donations and guesses can be made. On Friday 13th November, the name of the bear will be revealed, and the winning child will be able to take the bear home!
Pyjama Day	Friday 13th November	On Friday 13th November we will be holding a Pyjama Day in aid of Children in Need. To support **'Making Life Lighter for Children**' we would like to encourage the children to come to school dressed in their pyjamas to raise funds and to raise spirits. There will be a voluntary contribution of £1. Donations can be made via the ParentPay website: Link to follow
Whole School 26 challenge	Friday 13th November	To celebrate 2026, every class will take part in a series of fun '26 Challenge'. Children and staff will work together to complete challenges such as 26 star jumps, 26 squats, 26 burpees, promoting resilience, enjoyment, and a sense of community while raising money for Children in Need. This is a free activity.
Design for Pudsey 2026	Friday 13th November	The School Council would like to set a competition for the whole school of 'Design for Pudsey 2026'

		Children can create a fantastic new look for Pudsey! Using their creativity to design a bandage, T-shirt, mascot or badge that represents kindness, friendship and helping others. This will be done during the school day, and teachers will be asked to narrow down the entries to two per class. The School Council will then meet on Monday 16th November to decide a winner, who will be given their very own Pudsey story book – 'Pudsey and the Thread of Hope' *Tom Fletcher.* This is a free activity.
Whole school cake sale	Friday 13th November 3.10pm	As a final challenge we would like to challenge both children and staff to bake at home for our cake sale after school. We would appreciate any donations to be handed in on Friday morning to your children's class teachers **(please could you list ingredients to ensure we are covering any allergies. <u>NO NUTS</u> can be used).** The cake sale will take place in one of your children's year group classes. We will be asking for contributions of *cash* to raise more money for Children in Need.

We hope you will encourage your children to take part in helping us raise money for a fantastic charity and for what will be a super fun day!

Kind regards,

Mrs Robinson and Queensway School Council