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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Comic Relief: Friday 15 March 2019**

As part of our commitment to listening and responding to the views of our students, Outwood Academy Shafton will, on Friday 15 March, be holding a Comic Relief themed charity fundraising event that has been organised by Student Voice.

Students and staff are invited to attend the Academy wearing a Red top, school shirt with red tie and/or a red nose or other official Comic Relief merchandise. Please note that the red top can be a top that has red on it, rather than fully red. It is hoped that most, if not all students will get involved in the spirit of the day, and make a £1 donation towards raising funds towards this cause. Shirts, ties and blazers do not have to be worn if a student is wearing a red top. **All other uniform rules still apply as normal. This is not a non-uniform day.**

Please take some time to discuss the importance of maintaining excellent standards of behaviour as always with your child; nothing changes in this respect. If the students make this a success, it means events such as this are far more likely to be approved in the future.

Some of the anticipated 'Frequently Asked Questions' are addressed overleaf.

Yours sincerely,

**Cara Ackroyd**  
**Principal**

## Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Is this a non-uniform day?

A. No.

Q. Can we wear tops that have lights / sounds?

A. No - what is, and is not, acceptable becomes difficult to define / monitor and these are likely to cause undue disruption in the classroom.

Q. I don't have a red top. Can I wear a non-uniform top that it is not red?

A. We appreciate that not everyone has a red top and that it can be inconvenient and expensive to buy one. Therefore, tops that include the colour red can be worn instead.

Q. Do I have to get involved?

A. No, there is no expectancy that any student should either wear a red top or nose, nor is there any expectancy that they should donate to charity.

Q. Can I wear any type of red top?

A. It must be appropriate for school. For example, **crop tops would not be appropriate.**

Q. Can I wear a red top AND a red nose?

A. Yes, and you will not be expected to pay more than £1.00 unless you wish to do so. You can wear any combination of the two items - T-Shirt, red nose - or just one of those items, or none of them!

Q. Can we donate more than £1.00?

A. Yes, of course, although this is not expected.

Q. Can I wear a football shirt?

A. As long as it is red or includes the colour red, yes.

Q. Will we be selling red nose in the academy?

A. No, sorry.

Q. What items of my uniform must I wear?

A. academy trousers or skirt must be worn with your red top. School shoes must also be worn by all students.

Q. Is jewellery allowed?

A. The only jewellery permitted in addition to the usual wristwatch is an official comic relief band.

Q. Is this event only taking place on Friday 15 March?

A. Yes, uniform must return fully to normal on Monday 18 March

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