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## 10 February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Haydon School is proud to announce that students are invited to take part in a non-uniform day in aid of The Teenage Cancer Trust. We have decided to change it slightly this time and although a  $\pounds 1$  donation will be gratefully received we would like you to consider instead a donation that will go directly to teenage patients in a London Hospital.

We will take these donations directly to ward T12 North at University College London Hospital, also known as The Teenage Cancer Trust Ward.

We have been in contact with the charity via youth support workers who work on T12 North and they have suggested the following items to consider for donations:

- Hats and headscarves as chemotherapy does unfortunately involve the loss of hair.
- Thick socks to warm feet and make them feel more cosy.
- Sleep mask to block out unwanted light while in hospital
- Lip balm to help soothe chapped lips, which can be a side effect of some treatments.
- Toiletries and skin care products as the skin can dry out with chemotherapy.
- Covered hot water bottles to help tummy problems and keep them warm.
- Dibble games and puzzle books to help pass the time while having treatment.

Due to hygiene and the risk of infection to the patients we can only accept brand new, unopened items.

The event will take place on <u>Thursday 9th March</u>, it is open to all pupils and you will notice we have given plenty of time to prepare. Donations can be brought in at any time during the week and given to form tutors. We will send another letter out nearer the time as a reminder. <u>Thursday 9th</u> <u>March</u> is a non-uniform day. Please ensure your son/daughter brings a pound or an item to donate this week.

By taking part and donating we can support London teenagers directly and have an immediate impact in supporting them with their treatment or while awaiting diagnosis. Either by a donation of a small gift or £1 to the charity, collectively as a big school I'm sure you'll agree we can make a difference to those who need it.

We look forward to your participation.

Kind regards, Mr C Prashard and Mrs C Brooks

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