



## HEADCORN HEADLINES: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTFA AGM this week. We had a great turnout and a really positive meeting full of enthusiasm and exciting ideas. Under the current restrictions many of our usual fund-raising events are not permitted to happen but I want to thank the PTFA for their creativity in providing alternative activities to continue to be able to raise money for our school in these restricting times, such as the Lottery, quizzes, Fantasy Football league, the Elves Event, Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising and much more. To keep you informed some of the things we would like to fundraise for are:

- A sensory Garden provision eg water features, areas of different textures such as sand, gravel, bark chipping, water, variety of aromatic herb and plants to smell, wind chimes, seating and much more.
- Improving the KS1 playground by bordering its banks with railway sleepers and also planting up the bank with attractive shrubs making them a feature.
- Professional Wall art in the hall and shared areas creatively displaying our core values and other motivational images.
- Equipping our Nurture Room with mood lighting, soft seating and resources for interventions.



There will be lots of other ideas as we speak to the children about suggestions that they have as well. We look forward to partnering with you all over these and other exciting future ventures.

Have a lovely weekend!  
Miss Symonds



### **£1 PTFA Non-uniform Day!**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 is the last day of Term 4 and to celebrate and to raise some money for the school, we would like to offer the opportunity for your child to come to school in their own clothes for a small donation of £1. Members of the PTFA will be on the gates at drop off with collection buckets. Thank you for your support.



### **REC ROOM Social Hang Out Game**

In Headlines this week, we would like to draw your attention to the app **Rec Room** and have attached a guide for parents and carers. **Rec Room** is a social hangout game, where users meet up with friends to explore and create rooms, each containing a different experience. One room might be a game of laser tag or dodgeball, while another could be a parkour course or virtual boxing. It is available on all major gaming platforms and devices and is seen as a rival to the very popular ROBLOX. **Rec Room** is kidSAFE COPPA Certified and carries an age rating of 9+. Nonetheless, parents and carers should remain mindful that gaming online with strangers always carries a potential risk.



### **Mental Health and Well-Being**

### **FREE WEBINAR FOR ALL PARENTS: Helping Parents and Carers to Support Children's Emotional Wellbeing in Times of Uncertainty**

The recording of the original live session is now available for anyone to watch.

This one-hour webinar offers parents and carers a space to gain knowledge rich approaches and key skills to help you recognise and respond to your child's emotional health needs both within and beyond the pandemic. The aims of this session:

- \*To provide you with a safe space to pause and reflect on your own emotional needs and the needs of your child.
- \*Explore the possible impact that the pandemic has had on your family.
- \*Gain an understanding on how to protect mental health and wellbeing in challenging times.
- \*Take away top tips for helping your child thrive through resilience.
- \*Start to build your own family wellbeing toolkit

Please click on the link below to access the recording and for further information on Mental Health & Wellbeing:

<https://www.theeducationpeople.org/our-expertise/mental-health-wellbeing/webinars-training/support-for-parents-and-carers/>