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Dear Parents and Carers,

Lasting Memorial

As some of you are aware, in recent months we have landscaped an area of the school grounds that is now referred to as The Orchard. Here, five fruit trees have been planted in memory of former pupils Yasin and Nur Huda El-Wahabi, their younger brother Mehdi and parents Abdulaziz and Faouzia. Curated by Deputy Head, Ms Lindsay Johnson, in consultation with surviving members of the family, this important project will act as a lasting memorial. In regard to next week's anniversary of the Grenfell Tower fire, we will continue to honour the pledge made a year ago, to afford security, safety and a semblance of normality for our community at an incredibly difficult time. The expectation is that pupils are attired extra smartly in their uniform on Thursday 14th June. There will be a special assembly at 10.25.

Coffee Morning

Ms Lindsay Johnson and Thomas Jones' Education Psychologist, Dr Natalie Fletcher will host a coffee morning on Tuesday 12th June at 9.00 here at the school. This is an opportunity to meet informally, specifically in regard to how you and your family are coping a year on from the tragic events of last June. Previous coffee mornings have been well attended and feedback exceptionally positive.

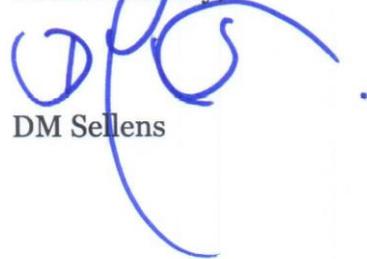
Bucket Hats Revisited

If your child has the kind of hair that makes the wearing of the bucket hat an impossible challenge, there is no need for them to wear one. Wherever possible, hairstyles should be arranged carefully, so that the hat can be worn. The Thomas Jones summer hat serves at least two purposes. In recent years, it has become something of an emblem, an integral component of pupils' summer attire. Thomas Jones is not unique in this respect but the hat is also a valid part of what sets the school apart. It is a bold statement and on an entirely practical level affords protection from the sun and rain.

Many Thanks

I'd like to thank all family members who contributed so generously to our most recent Non-Uniform Fundraising Day. We managed to collect over £500. This will go towards the school's generic book fund.

Yours sincerely,



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