

# International Day of the African Child

Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> of June 2014



Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our wider curriculum work on developing children's understanding of different cultures, we will be celebrating the 'International Day of the African Child' on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

The **Day of the African Child** has been celebrated on 16<sup>th</sup> June every year since 1991. It honours those who participated in the Soweto Uprising in 1976 on that day. It also raises awareness of the continuing need for improvement of the education provided to African children.

Across our cluster of schools in North Leamington there will be a 'Dress to Express' day where children can wear non-uniform and wear something that they feel expresses themselves or an opinion of theirs. This is also a fund-raising event and contributions of **50p a child** will be collected. The money will go to a school in Ghana to buy resources for their children - more information to follow.

On the morning of the day, there will be an assembly run by the School Council. They will inform everyone as to why we celebrate The Day of the African Child and will explain a little bit about The Soweto Uprising and how it sparked the beginning of the end of Apartheid.

Classes will be undertaking learning related to this 'celebration' during the day.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please do not hesitate to get in touch with either myself or Miss Docking (PSHE Leader and Reading Recovery Teacher).

Kind regards,

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