

14/09/2021

Dear Parent,

The Benevolent Fund

The Benevolent Fund is a long-standing RGS tradition which encourages our students to recognise their roles as global citizens. Last year, despite the interruptions to our time on site, I sent cheques, which amounted to almost ± 3000 , to three separate charities – Jeans for Genes, Help Refugees and the Thomas Ball Cancer Fund. This money will change people's lives and so I'd like to thank you for supporting your son in his charitable efforts.

This year, students have voted for the charities we will support. These include Jeans for Genes, Cancer Research UK, Help Refugees, the Ruth Strauss Foundation, Doctors Without Borders and the British Heart Foundation. Further information about the work these charities carry out will be shared during assemblies and tutor resources throughout the year.

Mr Rowe-Elliot is currently busy planning for our Jeans for Genes band, which is one of my personal highlights in the assembly calendar each year. We will hold our Jeans for Genes day on Friday 17th September. On this day staff and students may wear jeans instead of uniform trousers. The rest of their uniform remains the same. Please note that your son does not need to bring a cash donation on this day as the Tuesday collections for this half term are for Jeans for Genes.

As in previous years, we recommend a weekly donation of 50p per student. Your son may prefer to pay an entire half term's donation on one Tuesday and this is permitted too. All donations must be made in cash during registration on Tuesdays.

I very much look forward to paying the donations in on behalf of the RGSHW community.

Yours sincerely,

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