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Dear Parents and Carers

## Winston's Wish

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June, the Gosforth Schools' Trust has decided to support the charity 'Winston's Wish.'

Winston's Wish is a charity that was originally founded to help children who had been bereaved of a parent or sibling. As the charity has grown over the past 30 years, it has gone on to help support children and those working with children who are dealing with all kinds of bereavement and grief.

Winston's Wish started a fundraising day called 'Wear Wellies.' Why Wellies? Children who experience grief often jump from one emotion to a complete opposite one as a way of coping with their grief. This can be described as puddle jumping and this was the inspiration behind wearing wellies to raise money. We have attached the Winston's Wish flier for more information.

As a Trust, we are asking for all staff and children to come to school wearing wellies / crocs (or an alternative type of footwear) in exchange for a £1 donation for the charity. Please make your donations via ParentPay, where a payment item has been set up for you. Children are to wear their school uniform as usual.

On the day we will talk to children in an age-appropriate way about the charity and its work, so that the children understand how their donation and wearing wellies has helped.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Turner Head Teacher

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