



Friends of Redlands School is the School PTA
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Dear Parent / Carer,

Next week, the school will close and children will cheer to mark the end of this academic year. Before the children run for the doors to enjoy their long summer holiday, we would like to encourage them to think about children less fortunate than themselves, so on the last day of term we ask them to take off their shoes and leave class barefoot. They will need to put some shoes on as they leave the school gate as we all know what can lurk on Sileby pavements!

Walking through school barefoot is a powerful message that we want to help those fellow school children who have no choice and leave school barefoot every day.

If they have your permission, children will have the chance to change another child's life on their way out by leaving the old shoes they have taken off - or any others you wish to send in to donate - in a box in the playground. We will give the donated shoes to a child in Africa via the wonderful work of Sal's Shoes.

So, those shoes, which are unlikely to be used again because feet grow over the summer or are a little scuffed so will be replaced in time for the new school year, won't just sit in the shoe cupboard getting in the way, but will have a second life. We'd love for your child to take part. Please help us to help others who are less fortunate than ourselves.

There is no obligation to take part but we would love to support this charity and the work they carry out in finding new feet for pre-loved children's shoes. To find out more about Sal's Shoes you can visit their website www.salsshoes.com or Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/salsshoes1>

P.S. Of course the children can bring in another pair of shoes to change into after walking out of school for their journey home; and if you have only recently purchased their school shoes perhaps your child has another pair of outgrown shoes they may wish to bring in and leave behind. If you would like to contribute to the postage of the shoes the please sellotape £1 to the sole.

Many thanks

Sam Fergus
Chair Friend of Redlands