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Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 8 Charity

We are delighted to let you know that Year 8 have chosen to support the Search and Rescue Dogs Association (SARDA Isle of Man) as their year group charity for this academic year.

SARDA Isle of Man is a dedicated local charity that trains search and rescue dogs to help locate missing people across the island and beyond. We are especially proud that one of our own teachers, Mr MacGregor, volunteers as a dog handler for the charity.

To help raise funds for this fantastic cause, Year 8 are running a fun activity called "Name the Dog!"

Students may have already noticed the lovely toy dog displayed in the glass cabinets at Lower School, just inside the front doors. This dog has been kindly gifted to us by Mr MacGregor, and we are inviting students and staff to give it a name.

For just £1 per entry, students can visit Miss Thomas in Pastoral Support with their chosen name and cash contribution. All proceeds will go directly to SARDA Isle of Man to support their vital work.

The winning name will be announced before Christmas and the winner will take home the dog as their prize, as well as knowing they have helped support an incredible local charity.

We will also be running further fundraising activities throughout the year to continue supporting this important cause. Please keep an eye out for upcoming events and opportunities to get involved. If your child has any ideas for activities or events that could help raise funds, we would love to hear them, please encourage them to speak with either myself or Miss Thomas.

Thank you for encouraging your child to take part and for your continued support in helping our students raise money for such a worthwhile cause.

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Gelling Head of Year 8

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