

19 June 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

This year, in honour of World Refugee Day, our school will be taking part in the Great Big Live Assembly. This is a 20-minute virtual assembly that will connect together around 500 schools representing 200,000 children at 9.05am on Tuesday June 20th.

The Great Big Live Assembly will celebrate the ways that schools up and down the UK have welcomed new arrivals from war-torn countries around the world into their classrooms and communities.

The Great Big Live Assembly has been organised by refugee charity Sanctuary Foundation. Dr Krish Kandiah, who leads the charity and will be hosting the assembly and has been working with refugees and children for over twenty-five years. He is an inspirational communicator, children's author and diversity trainer. He is also an experienced foster carer who has received trauma training and will ensure the event is led in an engaging and sensitive way.

The Great Big Live Assembly will be co-hosted by a 9-year-old new arrival from Ukraine and the Sky News FYI team. It is being supported by the international children's charity World Vision.

The Great Big Live Assembly will include a live link to a World Vision child-friendly space in a refugee camp in Jordan. The children there will be answering questions about life for them.

We recognise that this event may prompt questions about some of the injustices in our world, and we have prepared some of our teachers to handle these sensitively.

Yours faithfully



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Principal

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