



What's going on this week?

Comic Relief has announced that from 2021 its red noses will be plastic-free for the first time. The new noses will be made from bagasse, a natural by-product of sugar cane, and take more than 18 months to create! The charity, which “strives to create a just world free from poverty”, made the change after it received letters and emails from the children of Furlanesend Community Primary School asking them to create a plastic-free version of the nose to help reduce plastic waste.

Main question:

Is selling red noses a good way to raise money?

Listen, think, share

- Look at this week's poster and talk about what we can see. Do we know what Red Nose Day or Comic Relief is? Have we ever taken part? Have we bought or do we own any red noses? Talk about what we may have done with the red noses after we'd finished with them?
- Why do we think red noses have been so effective at helping to raise money for Comic Relief? What other ways have you seen people fundraise and have you ever been involved in raising money?
- Talk a little bit about Comic Relief and the places where the money from red nose collection goes and who it helps.
- Watch this week's useful video (found overleaf) and talk about what we think of the campaign to change the noses. Do we think it was a good idea for the children to take the action they did? Talk about why they may have done it.
- Read through the information from the assembly resource which provides quotes about the campaign by children from Furlanesend Primary School in Cornwall. What do you think about their campaign and the new red nose designs?

Reflection

There are many different ways in which we can fundraise to help others, when doing so, it's important that we think about the wider impact of our actions.



KS1 Focus

Question:

What is fundraising?

Listen, think, share

- Have you ever heard of 'fundraising' before? What do you think it means?
- Explain that fundraising is when a charity or other cause finds and gathers money from people, who choose to donate it.
- Look at resource 1, which shares some examples of ways people might fundraise. Can you think of any other examples? Have you ever taken part in any fundraising before? What were you raising money for? What did you do?
- Make a list of charities that people might fundraise for e.g. RSPCA, Cancer Research, The National Trust. Discuss other causes you might raise money for such as your school or your sports club.
- Look at the list you have created. Which charity or cause would you prefer to raise funds for? Does everyone agree?
- Look back over the fundraising ideas in resource 1. Which do you prefer? Why? Often, raising money for a cause or charity can be fun! Do you think it is important that fundraising is enjoyable?

Reflection

Fundraising is a way of finding and gathering money for a charity or a cause. There are many different ways to fundraise and many different charities and causes to fundraise for.



KS2 Focus

Question:

What is Comic Relief?

Listen, think, share

- Write 'Comic Relief' on the board. Record a list of thoughts, ideas and vocabulary linked to Comic Relief. Think about what it is, when it happens and why it happens.
- Look at resource 2, which shares more information about Comic Relief. Does anything surprise you? Do you have any questions or anything else you would like to find out?
- Focus on Comic Relief's aims. What do you think about them?
- Can you remember taking part in Comic Relief? It is a biennial event, meaning it takes place every two years. The last Comic Relief was in March 2019. Did you buy a red nose?
- Do you think making people laugh is a good way to raise funds? If you saw someone wearing a red nose, would it make you laugh? The red noses sold are different, do you think this will encourage people to purchase more than one?
- The next Red Nose Day is on 19th March 2021. Create a list of things you could do to support the event. It might be ways to raise funds or to raise awareness.

Reflection

Comic Relief is a charity, which aims to make the world a better place whilst having fun. We can choose to support this charity.



KS2 Follow-up Ideas

Option 1: Explain that all red noses sold in 2021 will be plastic free for the first time.

- Can you think of some of the things we use that are made from plastic e.g. drinks bottles, toys, cups.
- Do you throw away or recycle any of the plastic you use?

Explain that the problem with plastic is that it is not biodegradable so it doesn't rot like paper or food. This means it hangs around in the environment for hundreds of years. It is incredibly harmful to animals and our environment.

- How can we reduce the amount of plastic we use? E.g. reusable drinks bottles, no plastic straws, using reusable sandwich boxes instead of bags.

Ask the children to create a poster to persuade people to use less plastic and inform them of how they can do this.

Option 2: Look at the red nose designs for 2021 found on the assembly resource.

- Which do you like best? Why?
- Which do you like least? Why?
- What is the theme?
- Would you want to collect them all?

Ask the children to design their own red nose collection. Think about:

- What will be your theme?
- How many designs will you create?
- Will you have an ultra-rare one?

Once the children have created their designs, ask them to share with each other and give feedback. You could even send some of your designs to Comic Relief for inspiration for the 2023 designs!



KS1 Follow-up Ideas

Option 1: Create a list of ways we could fundraise, use resource 1 to help.

- Which fundraising idea do you think you would enjoy the most? Why?
- Which would you enjoy the least?
- Which one do you think will raise the most money?

Explain that you might use some of these ideas to raise funds next time you need to. Ask the children to choose their favourite to share with you.

- What is it?
- How will it raise money?
- Why is it a fun way to raise money?

Ask the children to use pictures, words and sentences to share their fundraiser. Keep hold of the ideas so you can use them next time you need to raise funds!

Option 2: Remind the children that fundraising is a way of finding and gathering money for a charity.

- What is money?
- Can you name any of the notes or coins we might use?

If possible, show the children some coins.

- How much is each of these coins worth?
- Which is worth the most/least?
- Can you point to the 10 pence coin?
- How many pennies are the same as one 5 pence coin?

Use the coins and explore further. You could ask the children to work with a partner to label then order the coins or set up a role-play fundraiser for children to donate their coins.



This Week's Useful Websites

This week's news story

[inews.co.uk/inews-lifestyle/people/comic-relief-plastic-free-red-nose-day-school-680215](https://www.inews.co.uk/inews-lifestyle/people/comic-relief-plastic-free-red-nose-day-school-680215)



This Week's Useful Videos

Red nose change campaign

www.bbc.co.uk/news/entertainment-arts-54431830



This week's Virtual Assembly

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

This Week's Useful Vocabulary

Announce – tell people about something publicly or officially.

Campaign – an organised course of action or planned set of activities carried out to achieve a goal such as social or political change.

Fundraise – a way to find or gather money for a charity or cause.

Impact – a marked affect or influence.

Strive – make a great effort to achieve or obtain something.

Version – a form of something where some details are different from earlier or later forms.