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Dear Parents / Carers

## WEAR A SPORTS KIT FOR JACK

Jack Riding was one of our pupils; he collapsed and died playing the sport he adored on 15th August 2018. He was just 18 years old. Jack was a phenomenal footballer with a 'crackin' left foot'. He has represented our school, Sacred Heart, Sefton and was also an academy player for Everton. He most recently played for Prescot Cables.

After discussion with Jack's family, we are going to have a "wear your sports kit for Jack" day. This will entail our children wearing a sports kit of any kind (but probably best to avoid swimming costumes and hats!) on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

The event will be a fundraiser for Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY). This charity funds tests for all footballers between the age of 14 and 35 to check for any cardiac abnormalities. Each test cost £50. If Jack had been screened, his condition would have been detected and treated. We are asking for a donation of £1 (any contribution would be gratefully received) to support the Jack Riding Foundation and the CRY charity.

We will hold sports sessions on this day. The children will participate in fun, sporty events such as football tournaments, mini Olympics, wacky races etc. organised by each year group.

We really want this school event to be a fun day and to be able to show our support to the Riding family and celebrate Jack's life in a way that he would have absolutely loved.

Yours sincerely

The Great Crosby Family