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Year 6 Challenge: Grow a £1

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to you with an exciting announcement! After much deliberation, we have come to a decision on our end of year production. On Tuesday 8th July (1:45pm and 5pm), Year 6 will perform Mary Poppins!

In order to purchase scripts, licences and props, we have come up with a different yet exciting way to fundraise this year. We would like to invite your children to become young entrepreneurs and take part in a challenge called 'Grow a £1'.

School will provide your child with a £1 coin (attached to this letter). Should they wish to accept the challenge, they will have to come up with an idea to use their pound wisely to make more money. Children could work alone or pool their money together and come up with a bigger business plan. Some ideas include:

- A Cake, Sandwich or Smoothie Sale: Combine your money to buy bake sale ingredients, sweets for a tuck shop, smoothie making essentials, or sandwiches and pizza for lunchtime, and then sell them to your friends and family.
- Pay to Play Games: Use your funds to fill a jar with sweets and then ask people to pay to play, guessing how many sweets there are for their chance to win the whole thing! Buy a teddy and do guess the name of the teddy.
- Second-Hand Sale: Have a clear-out and sell your clothes, books or anything you own that's no longer needed. Use your funds on the promotion of your sale, e.g. to design and print leaflets.
- Creating & Upcycling: Use your funds to buy crafts to make birthday cards, bookmarks, jewellery, knitting, decorations - what can you make that others would like to buy?
- Buy a sponge and some washing up liquid and offer to clean your neighbours' cars at a cost!
- Make up a sponsorship form and do something interesting; sponsored skip, goal-scoring, hop, sing, silence – unleash your talents – 50p a minute?
- Buy some gardening gloves and do some weeding for your neighbours, friends and family – you could charge an amount per flower bed.
- Offer to do the housework – set a price for different cleaning jobs around the house.

There is no obligation to take part in this challenge. **If you do not wish to do so, please simply return your £1 to school.** Your challenge will run until **Friday 4th April 2025**. Please make sure that all raised funds are brought into school by this date. There will be two prizes available: a prize for the most original business idea and a prize for the most money raised.

Last year, the Year 6 children raised not only enough money to purchase the licence and costumes but enough to pay for the performance to be recorded to keep as a lasting memory!

We look forward to hearing all about your own ideas to grow a £1 and to seeing how much money you can raise!

Yours faithfully,

Mrs R Brodrick and Mr R Brigstock