

MAD RAG

Gordon's School Friday 14 July 2017

What is MAD day all about? MAD is all about helping people less fortunate than yourself, in ways like baking cookies for the elderly, or cleaning cars. It is all about helping YOUR community. How can you help out? You can step out of your way to help, even little things such as picking-up litter can help many people. "MAD is all about Making A Difference. This is where students have the opportunity to contribute something positive to their community to help others, but ask for nothing in return for themselves. For many, this is the first step along a fulfilling path of philanthropy and altruism." Mr Moss.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CHARITY

- ⊙ An estimated amount of £23.9 billion is contributed to the UK's economy by volunteers every year.
- ⊙ Around 26% of England participate in formal volunteering at least once a month.
- ⊙ 35% of England's population volunteers for informal work at least once a month.
- ⊙ More women than men volunteer to do charitable actions. Of those who volunteer once a month, 28% are women, while only 23% are men.
- ⊙ The biggest reason why people do not volunteer is because of job commitments. Approximately 58% of Britain think this.
- ⊙ Globally, Australia is the most charitable country in the whole world.
- ⊙ Helping a random stranger is the most common and popular form of giving.
- ⊙ On average, people who earn less give more away.



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"MAD encourages courtesy, integrity and enthusiasm" (Mrs Hutchings)



"Don't be afraid to look past the prejudice" (Sophie Y7)



"Making a difference by giving back to the community, washing cars!" (Mr Wa)

"Yr7s cooking up a storm for guests from the local community" (Mrs Burt)



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FAMOUS PHILANTHROPISTS: BILL GATES

The founder of Microsoft, Bill Gates, is one of the world's leading philanthropists. Having already given more than \$28 billion towards initiatives that predominantly focus on health, education, and economic development in developing countries, he is second only to Warren Buffet in the amount he has donated to charitable causes. He co-founded the Bill & Melinda Gates foundation in 2000 and has made philanthropy his full-time job since 2006, when he stepped down from his full-time position at Microsoft. Gates has always chosen to focus on challenges that can be addressed at a global level, as he is so eager to make Earth the best place it can be.

The major initiative of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is the Discovery and Translational Sciences program, which aims to create and improve preventive, diagnostic, and therapeutic interventions for infectious diseases and for conditions



affecting mothers, infants, and children. This program also focuses on diseases that disproportionately affect developing countries, such as: malaria, polio, tuberculosis, pneumonia, gastrointestinal, diarrhoea diseases, and HIV/AIDS. He has a great vision of making our world a better place for us and future generations. This is why I think he is one of the best philanthropists in the world.

CHARITY WORDSEARCH



Can you find all the hidden words in our wordsearch, listed below? Some of them are quite tricky to find!

- CARING**
- CHARITY**
- CONSIDERATE**
- DIFFERENCE**
- EFFORT**
- HELP**
- MAD**
- NEIGHBOURLY**
- ORGANISATION**
- SELFLESS**
- THOUGHTFUL**