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## Refugee Week – 16 to 22 June 2024

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

It will be Refugee Week from Sunday 16 June to Saturday 22 June 2024. The theme is 'Finding Freedom: Family'. During that week we will reflect on the crucial role families play in providing solace, support, and a sense of belonging to those forced to flee their homelands. We also reflect on the contributions of refugees to our schools, school communities and the society in general. Refugee Week provides a unique opportunity to raise awareness of the issues affecting refugees and highlight the positive contributions refugees have made and continue to make to Australian society.

To support an agency that help families from refugee backgrounds, the school, with the assistance of the SRC, has decided to organise a fundraiser. We are asking for students to donate a gold coin (\$1 or \$2) on Thursday 20 June 2024. Money will be collected by their class teacher in the morning.

The money will be donated to the following charity:

STARTTS – (NSW Service for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma Survivors) This organisation provides support for families from refugee backgrounds settling into Australia such as counselling.

Your support towards this fundraiser is greatly appreciated.

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The Refugee Committee