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Dear Parent

Junior Language Challenge

Every year KS2 pupils at Red House School have had the opportunity to take part in the Junior Language Challenge. This is a much-loved national competition organised by Eurotalk which encourages pupils to learn different languages and compete against pupils around the country. We have always been incredibly successful in this event and have travelled down to London for many years to support our pupils competing in the national finals.

This year Eurotalk have decided to alter the competition format slightly and have invited Red House School to take part in their pilot scheme. Pupils will have access to the flagship uTalk language learning app. The competition is open to any pupil currently in Years 4-6. In the pilot there will be just one round of the competition and pupils will compete against each other within the school. There will not be any regional or national heats as in previous years. Each participating school will have a dashboard so that pupils can monitor their progress.

The competition will run from March until 3 June 2019 and there will be certificates for pupils attaining the highest scores. Entry will be £5 per pupil and all money raised will be spent on developing the new competition. We are delighted that the chosen language for the pilot scheme is Mandarin. This is an up and coming, exciting language, very much in demand and is rapidly growing in its popularity. Pupils will be given access to 12 pre-selected topics from the app. The topics are all age appropriate and include: Starter words, numbers up to 20, time, body, clothes, colours, calendar months, leisure, school, animals and fruit.

The uTalk app runs on all major tablets, smart phones and computers. When online, the app automatically syncs users' scores between devices so that they can change from one device to another provided that they use the same log-in details and password. Pupils will also be able to continue to use the app to learn offline, provided that they download the topics first.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in the competition, please complete the form below and return it to Mrs Garrett. In addition, please transfer a deposit of £5 to the school account by Friday March 29 2019. We would be grateful if you could use an easily identifiable reference code. For example: JLC19 and your child's name.

Sort code: 30-98-13

Account number: 01776186

Bank: Lloyds Bank plc

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Garrett - Head of German

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Child's name: _____ Form: _____

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