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Dear Parent

uTalk Language Games

Every year pupils at Red House School have had the opportunity to take part in the Junior Language Challenge. The organisers have made some changes to the event this year and renamed the competition 'uTalk Language Games'. They have also opened the competition up to pupils of all ages. This much-loved national competition organised by uTalk encourages pupils to learn different languages and compete against each other. The enrolment fee of £5 per pupil has been used to support the charity 'One Billion' which provides laptops and online education to pupils in developing countries. We have always been incredibly successful in this event and many of our pupils who have taken part have gone on to become outstanding linguists.

This year there will be 3 rounds in the competition. In the first round pupils will be learning Latin and in the second Japanese. Pupils will be given access to the flagship uTalk language learning app in which there will be a variety of age appropriate topics such as colours, animals and numbers. The uTalk app runs on all major tablets, smart phones and computers.

Each pupil will be provided with their own unique username and password which they can use to login to the uTalk app.. Pupils will compete against each other within the school for both rounds 1 and 2. During the competition they will be able to view their scores, progress and achievements on their very own online dashboard.

The first language, Latin will run from September until December 2020 and then the second language, Japanese, will be unlocked on January 4 2021. The third and final mystery language will be unlocked on 19 April 2021. This will be selected by the competition organisers uTalk. Pupils will earn points for correct answers in the Games. Depending on how many points they score in a topic, they will receive bronze, silver and gold achievement awards on their dashboards. All participants will have the chance to learn the third language. uTalk are planning an interschool and interregional competition around this language, with more details to follow in March 2021. Prizes will be awarded to the highest scorers in the April to July round.

If you would like you son/daughter to take part in the competition, please complete the form below and return it to Mrs. Garrett. The sum of £5 will then be added to your school bill next term.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H. Garrett
Head of German

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I would like my son / daughter to take part in the uTalk language games and understand that £5 will be added to my school bill next term.

Child's name: _____ Form: _____